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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**2010 No. 737**

**The Merchant Shipping (Maritime Labour  
Convention) (Medical Certification) Regulations 2010**

**Offences and penalties**

**18.**—(1) Any person who contravenes regulation 6 or 7 is guilty of an offence and is liable on summary conviction to a fine of an amount not exceeding level 5 on the standard scale.

(2) An employer who fails to comply with regulation 8(3) or 15(1) is guilty of an offence and liable on summary conviction to a fine of an amount not exceeding level 2 on the standard scale.

(3) A seafarer who fails without reasonable excuse to comply with a requirement made under regulation 13(3) is guilty of an offence and liable on summary conviction to a fine of an amount not exceeding level 2 on the standard scale.

(4) Any person who—

(a) obstructs a relevant inspector in the exercise of his powers under regulation 20, or

(b) fails without reasonable excuse to comply with a requirement made under regulation 20,

is guilty of an offence and liable on summary conviction to a fine of an amount not exceeding level 5 on the standard scale.

(5) In any proceedings for an offence under these Regulations it is a defence for the person charged to show that all reasonable steps had been taken by that person to ensure compliance with the relevant provision of these Regulations.