
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2023 No. 690

The Dee Estuary Conservancy
Harbour Revision (No. 2) Order 2023

PART 2

ESTUARY REGULATION

Enforcement of special directions

17.—(1) Without prejudice to any other remedy available to the conservancy authority, if a special direction is not complied with within a reasonable time, the harbour master may put persons on board the vessel to carry out the direction or may otherwise cause the vessel to be handled in accordance with the direction.

(2) If there is no-one on board a vessel to comply with a special direction, the harbour master may proceed as if the direction had been given and not complied with.

(3) The powers of paragraph (2) must not be exercised—

(a) in relation to a vessel other than a lighter unless, after reasonable inquiry has been made, the master cannot be found; or

(b) in relation to a lighter unless it is obstructing or interfering with navigation.

(4) Expenses incurred by the conservancy authority in the exercise of the powers conferred by paragraph (1) are recoverable by it as if they were a charge of the authority in respect of the vessel.