

# STATUTORY RULES.

1914. No. 170.

## REGULATIONS UNDER THE WIRELESS TELEGRAPHY ACT 1905.

(Issued provisionally as Statutory Rules 1914, No. 111.)

**I** SIR ARTHUR STANLEY, Governor of the State of Victoria and its Dependencies in the Commonwealth of Australia, acting as the Deputy of the Governor-General in accordance with the provisions of the Constitution, acting with the advice of the Federal Executive Council, do hereby make the undermentioned amended Regulations under the *Wireless Telegraphy Act* 1905, to come into operation forthwith.

Dated this twenty-first day of November, One thousand nine hundred and fourteen.

A. L. STANLEY,  
Deputy of the Governor-General.

By His Excellency's Command,  
W. G. SPENCE,  
Postmaster-General.

## AMENDMENT OF THE WIRELESS TELEGRAPHY REGULATIONS 1913.

(Statutory Rules 1913, No. 351.)

Regulation 5 is repealed, and the following Regulation is inserted in its stead:—

5. (1) An Experimental Licence may be granted in respect of a land station only.

(2) An Experimental Licence shall be in such form and, subject to these Regulations, shall contain such terms and conditions as the Postmaster-General thinks fit to include therein.

(3) An Experimental Licence shall remain in force until revoked, or until surrendered by the licensee, but shall be revocable at will by the Postmaster-General.

(4) The wireless telegraphy appliances included in an Experimental Licence shall be used only for experimental purposes, and so as not to interfere with the working of any land station or ship station, and the licensee shall in working the appliances obey all directions issued by the Postmaster-General.

(5) Only one land station may be included in any one Experimental Licence, and no person shall be granted more than one Experimental Licence.

(6) A person who is the holder of an Experimental Licence may, with the permission of the Postmaster-General, and on payment of the fee prescribed by paragraph (d) of Regulation 7 (1), transfer the station in respect of which the licence has been granted from one address to another without the issue of a fresh licence.

Regulation 7 is repealed, and the following Regulation is inserted in its stead:—

7. (1) The fees for licences shall be as follows:—

- (a) For a General Licence for ship stations or for any renewal thereof—Five shillings for each ship included in the licence.
- (b) For a Supplementary Licence for ship stations or for any renewal thereof—Five shillings for each ship included in the licence.
- (c) For an Experimental Licence for land stations—Twenty-one shillings for each year or part of a year during which the licence is in force.
- (d) For transfer of a station in respect of which an Experimental Licence has been granted from one address to another—Five shillings.

(2) The fees prescribed by this Regulation shall be payable in advance.

Regulation 11 is repealed, and the following Regulation is inserted in its stead:—

11. (1) A General Licence or Supplementary Licence may be renewed by writing thereon or attaching thereto a memorandum stating the period for which it is renewed.

(2) The memorandum of renewal must be signed by the Postmaster-General or by some officer authorized by him.

(3) The renewal may be made at any time within one month before or one month after the expiry of the licence.

(4) The memorandum is to be written on both parts of the licence, but in the case of the licensee's part it shall be in the form of a receipt for the renewal fee signed by the Postmaster-General or by some officer authorized by him, which receipt is to be attached by the licensee to his part.

Regulation 24 is repealed, and the following Regulation is inserted in its stead:—

24. The rates for messages transmitted to or received from ship stations shall be as follows:—

(1) For ordinary messages—

(a) Coast station transmitting or receiving charge—

- (i) Radiotelegrams to or from ships licensed in Australia or New Zealand, 3d. per word;
- (ii) Radiotelegrams to or from other ships, 6d. per word.

(b) Ship station transmitting or receiving charge—

- (i) Radiotelegrams to or from ships licensed in Australia or New Zealand, 2d. per word;
- (ii) Radiotelegrams to or from other ships, not exceeding 4d. per word.

(c) Land line charge, 1d. per word.

- (2) For press messages—
- (a) Coast station transmitting or receiving charge, 1½d. per word.
  - (b) Ship station transmitting or receiving charge, not exceeding 4d. per word, as determined by the ship authorities concerned.
  - (c) Land line charge, ½d. per word, odd fractions of one penny to be reckoned as one penny.
- (3) For official messages to or from ships of the British or Australian Navies—
- (a) Coast station transmitting or receiving charge, 1d. per word.
  - (b) There shall be no ship station charge.
  - (c) Land line charge, 1d. per word.
- (4) For messages consisting of reports to Lloyd's agents concerning marine casualties and overdue vessels:—
- (a) Coast station charge, 6d. per word.
  - (b) Land line charge, 1d. per word.
- The charges for these messages shall be collected from the addressee.
- (5) Commonwealth charges for relaying radiotelegrams, irrespective of the number of coast stations concerned in the relaying—
- (a) When the ships of origin and of destination are both licensed in Australia or New Zealand, 4d. per word;
  - (b) When only one of the ships concerned, or when neither of the ships concerned is licensed in Australia or New Zealand, 7d. per word.

The following Regulation is inserted after Regulation 24:—

24A. (1) Radiotelegrams conveying Christmas or New Year greetings may be lodged at any telegraph office in the Commonwealth for transmission to New Zealand or to vessels registered in Australia or New Zealand. In addition to the address and signature, such radiotelegrams may contain a text consisting of any one of the following phrases:—

- (a) "Christmas greetings."
- (b) "New Year greetings."
- (c) "Compliments of the season."

(2) The total charge for such radiotelegrams shall be:—

- (a) For those addressed to New Zealand, 4s.
- (b) For those addressed to vessels registered in Australia or New Zealand, 3s.

(3) Radiotelegrams containing the text "Christmas greetings" must be lodged on or before 23rd December, and those containing the text "New Year greetings" or "Compliments of the season" must be lodged on or before 28th December.