

STATUTORY RULES.

1922. No. 3.

REGULATIONS UNDER THE WIRELESS TELEGRAPHY ACT 1905-1919.

I, THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL in and over the Commonwealth of Australia, acting with the advice of the Federal Executive Council, hereby make the following Regulations under the *Wireless Telegraphy Act* 1905-1919, to come into operation forthwith.

Dated this fifth day of January, 1922.

FORSTER,
Governor-General.

By His Excellency's Command,
A. POYNTON,
Postmaster-General.

AMENDMENT OF THE WIRELESS TELEGRAPHY REGULATIONS 1920.

(Statutory Rules 1920, No. 256.)

1. Regulation 19 is amended by omitting paragraph (2) and inserting the following in its stead:—

(2) As a general rule candidates who desire to obtain the Post Office Certificate enabling them to act as Ship Operators must be natural-born British subjects and the children of a father who was also a natural-born British subject. No exception will be made to this rule without reference to the Naval and Military Authorities. Foreign nationality of the candidate's mother will not necessarily be a bar to the issue of the certificate; but all cases of candidates whose mothers were of late-enemy origin will be referred to the Defence Department for a report.

2. The following regulation is inserted after regulation 19:—

Watchers' Proficiency Certificates.

19A. (1) It shall be necessary for every person acting as a Wireless Telegraphy Watcher, in accordance with the provisions of section 231 of the *Navigation Act* 1912-1920, to hold a certificate of proficiency as a watcher issued by the Postmaster-General, or by the Postmaster-General of the United Kingdom, or by the proper authority in any part of the British Empire, certifying that the holder is capable of receiving and understanding the Radiotelegraph Distress Signal and the Safety Signal, and has sufficient knowledge

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of the apparatus on which he will be required to keep watch, to know, by means of a buzzer or other simple test, that it is in proper condition to receive signals.

(2) As a general rule candidates who desire to obtain the Post Office Certificate enabling them to act as Ship Watchers must be natural-born British subjects and the children of a father who was also a natural-born British subject. No exception will be made to this rule without reference to the Naval and Military Authorities. Foreign nationality of the candidate's mother will not necessarily be a bar to the issue of the certificate; but all cases of candidates whose mothers were of late-enemy origin will be referred to the Defence Department for a report.

(3) A certificate of proficiency as a watcher shall not be issued to any person under sixteen years of age.

(4) A fee of Five shillings shall be paid by the candidate on each occasion on which he is examined.