



Wales Act 2017

2017 CHAPTER 4

PART 2

LEGISLATIVE AND EXECUTIVE COMPETENCE: FURTHER PROVISION

Marine licensing and conservation

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- (1) The Marine and Coastal Access Act 2009 is amended as set out in subsections (2) to (5).
- (2) In section 113 (the appropriate licensing authority)—
 - (a) in subsection (4), for “and the Welsh inshore region” substitute “, the Welsh inshore region and the Welsh offshore region”;
 - (b) in subsection (5), after paragraph (b) insert—
 - “(c) in relation to the Welsh offshore region, any activity falling within the subject-matter of Part 6 of the Merchant Shipping Act 1995 (pollution etc).”
- (3) In section 236 (enforcement of marine licensing regime), in subsection (2)—
 - (a) in paragraph (a), for “or the Welsh inshore region” substitute “, the Welsh inshore region or the Welsh offshore region”;
 - (b) after that paragraph insert—
 - “(aa) any activity in the Welsh offshore region falling within the subject-matter of Part 6 of the Merchant Shipping Act 1995 (pollution etc);”.
- (4) In section 240 (marine licensing: oil and gas and other reserved matters), in subsection (1)—
 - (a) in paragraph (b), for “or the Welsh inshore region” substitute “, the Welsh inshore region or the Welsh offshore region”;
 - (b) after that paragraph insert—

Status: This is the original version (as it was originally enacted).

- “(ba) any activity in the Welsh offshore region falling within the subject-matter of Part 6 of the Merchant Shipping Act 1995 (pollution etc);”.
- (5) In section 241 (marine licensing: Northern Ireland), in subsection (3)—
- (a) in paragraph (a), for “or the Welsh inshore region” substitute “, the Welsh inshore region or the Welsh offshore region”;
 - (b) after that paragraph insert—
 - “(aa) any activity in the Welsh offshore region falling within the subject-matter of Part 6 of the Merchant Shipping Act 1995 (pollution etc);”.
- (6) The Marine Licensing (Exempted Activities) (Wales) Order 2011 ([S.I. 2011/559 \(W.81\)](#)) is amended as set out in subsection (7) to (9).
- (7) In Article 4 (exemption from need for marine licence), in paragraph (1), for “or the Welsh inshore region” substitute “, the Welsh inshore region or the Welsh offshore region”.
- (8) In Article 32 (bored tunnels), in paragraph (4), for “and the Welsh inshore region” substitute “, the Welsh inshore region and the Welsh offshore region”.
- (9) In Article 34 (loading of a vehicle or vessel etc for incineration outside Wales and the Welsh inshore region)—
- (a) in the heading, for “and the Welsh inshore region” substitute “, the Welsh inshore region and the Welsh offshore region”;
 - (b) in paragraph (1)(b), for “and the Welsh inshore region” substitute “, the Welsh inshore region and the Welsh offshore region”.