

PORTS AND SHIPPING.
THE BOATS REGULATION LAW.
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1. These regulations may be cited as the Boats Regulations.

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2. Any licences under the Boats Regulation Law may be granted at each port by the Superintendent of such port.

ORDERS.

1. *Licensing of boats.*

3. Every owner and every boatman having charge of a licensed boat shall at all times keep such boat in a clean and seaworthy condition, and sufficiently equipped to the satisfaction of the Superintendent of the Port.

4. The owner of every licensed boat shall pay annually in respect thereof the sum of eight shillings for a boat not exceeding six tons register, with an additional charge of two shillings a ton in respect of every ton in excess of six tons, provided that the maximum sum payable in respect of any boat shall not exceed twenty shillings per annum.

Such sums shall be paid in advance on the 1st April in each year.

5. Every owner and every boatman having charge of a licensed boat shall at all times keep painted on each side thereof in a conspicuous place on the swell of the bow the number of the licence painted in white figures on a dark ground and in black figures on the principal sail, the numbers to be at least six inches in height and half an inch in breadth on the hull and ten inches in height and two in breadth on the sail.

6. If any person to whom a boat licence has been granted shall die during the continuance of such licence, the Superintendent of the Port shall transfer the licence to the widow or to such child of the deceased as he may think fit.

In case any child of the deceased shall be under age, the Superintendent of the Port may transfer the licence to the guardian of such child for the benefit of such child.

7. Every licence granted in respect of a boat shall be liable to suspension and to revocation by the Superintendent of the Port for failure of the owner or boatman in charge of such boat to observe all or any of these orders, or for breach of any regulations made under the provisions of the Boats Regulation Law, or for any misconduct on the part of any of the crew.

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2. *Licensing of boatmen.*

8. No licence shall be issued to any person who is under 18 years of age or who shall not in the opinion of the Superintendent of the Port be duly qualified to act as a boatman.

9. Every person in charge of or manning a boat shall pay in respect of his licence a sum of 4½*p.* per annum, such sum to be paid in advance on the 1st April in each year.

10. Every person in charge of or manning a boat shall at all times when plying for hire carry on and in front of his left sleeve a badge showing in conspicuous figures the number of his licence.

11. Every boatman in charge of a boat shall, whenever required by any passenger using or person hiring his boat, or by any officer of Customs or of Police, produce his licence and the licence of the boat and a copy of the regulations.

12. Every person in charge of or manning a boat shall at all times obey the instructions of the Superintendent of the Port or any other proper officer of the port in all matters relating to the manner in and the time at which he shall approach, lie alongside, or depart from any ship or any pier or jetty within the limits of the port or to the mode of embarking upon or disembarking from any vessel of passengers or goods.

13. Every licence granted to a boatman shall be liable to suspension and to revocation by the Superintendent of the Port for failure of such boatman to observe all or any of the above conditions, or for breach of any regulation made under the provisions of the Boats Regulation Law, or for any misconduct. Cap. 268

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14. Every owner and every boatman having charge of a licensed boat shall at all times when such boat is plying from sunset to sunrise keep a bright white light, showing conspicuously the number of the boat, to be kept at hand in the boat and shewn or waved above the gunwale so that it can be clearly seen by an approaching boat or vessel.

15. The number of persons and the weight of goods to be carried in each licensed boat shall be fixed by the Superintendent of the Port when granting the licence, and such number and such weight shall be entered on the licence.

Every owner and every boatman in charge of a licensed boat shall at all times keep such number and such weight plainly painted in black letters in a conspicuous place inside the stern of the boat.

16. No owner and no boatman of any licensed boat shall carry passengers or goods in excess of the limit prescribed by the licence.

17. The number of boatmen required to man any licensed boat shall be fixed by the Superintendent of the Port when granting the licence, and such number shall be entered on the licence.

18. Every owner and every boatman in charge of a licensed boat shall at all times between the hours of 5 a.m. and 8 p.m. in the months of April, May, June, July, August, September and October, and between the hours of 7 a.m. and 6 p.m. in all other months, in every year, convey any passenger or passengers and any luggage from any point within the anchorage of any port in Cyprus to any other point within the limits of the same for rates not exceeding those set forth in the First Appendix hereto and at all times other than those above specified for rates not greater than double the said scheduled rates : First Appendix.

Provided that during rough or foul weather or when passengers or any luggage are being landed or embarked at a place outside the limits of a port the owner or any boatman in charge of a licensed boat may charge such rates in excess of the rates set forth in the said Appendix as may be approved by the Superintendent of the Port.

19. No owner and no boatman in charge of or manning a licensed boat shall demand or receive, or employ any other person to demand or receive, any sum on account of fares in excess of those prescribed.

20.—(1) The rates for the transport of goods by a licensed boat from ship's sling to the shore, jetty or pier, including the unloading of such goods from the boat to the shore, jetty or pier, shall be at rates not exceeding the rates contained in the Second Appendix hereto : Second Appendix.

Provided that, in case such transport is rendered difficult on account of late hours or of the condition of the weather, the rates may, with the authority of the Collector of Customs, be increased by an amount not exceeding fifty per centum.

(2) No owner and no person in charge of or manning a licensed boat shall demand or receive, or employ any other person to demand or receive, for the transport of goods any sum in excess of the rates prescribed.