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Watermen's Regulations.

PORT OF LYTTELTON.

CLAUSES FROM HARBOUR REGULATIONS, 1868

ANY master or waterman licensed under the provisions of these regulations found guilty of dishonest or improper conduct, or of using abusive or insulting language, or of plying with a boat which the Harbour Master or other duly authorised officer shall consider to be not fully equipped with proper gear, and not in a seaworthy condition, shall, on conviction thereof, be liable to a penalty not exceeding five pounds, and to have his license cancelled by order of the Justice or Justices before whom any such conviction shall have taken place.

Every licensed master or waterman as aforesaid who shall carry in any boat more passengers or cargo than the boat has been licensed to carry, shall be liable to a penalty of not less than two pounds nor more than twenty pounds : and any such boatman who shall demand more than the proper fare, or who shall, without sufficient reason, refuse or neglect to employ his boat when required, shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding five pounds.

Any licensed master or waterman lending his license to any other person shall be liable to a penalty of forty shillings.

But any licensed master or waterman being in charge of any boat, who by sickness may be prevented from plying, may, on depositing with the Harbour Master a certificate from a duly qualified medical practitioner to that effect, together with his license, may be permitted to nominate a substitute; and should the Harbour Master be satisfied of the efficiency of the said substitute, he may issue a certificate authorising him to serve in the place of the licensed person who is disabled by sickness, for a period not exceeding one month, and such certificate may, from time to time be renewed during the illness of the said licensed boatman, so long as his license shall be so deposited with the Harbour Master.

Every vessel or boat used for the purpose of carrying passengers or cargo for hire in any port, harbour, or river, in the Colony, shall be licensed for that purpose by the Harbour Board in which such vessel or boat is to ply; and such license being granted on the certificate of the inspecting officers, as hereinafter provided, shall be in force till the 1st of July next ensuing; and a certificate of license shall be given to the owner of the vessel or boat, and must at all times be produced for inspection when demanded by the Harbour Master or his deputy; and the name and number of the boat for which the certificate of license is issued, and the name of the owner, and the quantity of cargo or number of passengers which the vessel or boat is licensed to carry, shall be stated in the certificate, and shall be also legibly painted on some conspicuous part of the boat; and the owner of any vessel or boat which shall be used for carrying passengers or cargo for hire, who shall not comply with the above regulation shall for every offence be liable to a penalty not exceeding ten pounds.

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Before a license is granted for any vessel or boat, as provided in the last preceding clause of these regulations, she must be inspected by two or more competent persons appointed by the Harbour Board, who will, on approval, grant a certificate as to her dimensions, and the quantity of cargo or the number of passengers she may be permitted to carry, and such certificate must be produced on application for a license.

Notwithstanding any such license no vessel or boat can lighter cargo unless the Customs Regulations in that behalf have been duly complied with.

No waterman or other person in charge of any boat, steamer, or lighter, shall go alongside or otherwise communicate with, and no person shall go on board of any vessel arriving in port, except officers on duty and persons who hold a written authority from the Harbour Board, until such vessel has been moored or secured by at least one anchor, and has been cleared by the Health Officer or the Officer acting as such, nor shall any person quit any vessel so entering any port until she has been moored, and cleared by the Health Officer as aforesaid; and any person offending against this regulation shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding ten pounds.

No boat shall be made fast to any steps or landing place, or so near thereto as to obstruct the approach of other boats, or lie longer alongside than required for landing passengers, and any person offending against the provisions of this regulation shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding five pounds.

All boats alongside vessels or jetties, or public landing places, shall give way to Government boats on duty; any person offending against this regulation shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding five pounds.

The Harbour Master, or any person authorised by him, may at any time inspect any cargo or other boat, and if found to be not fully equipped with proper gear, and not in a seaworthy condition, or if found to be overloaded, the license of said boat may be cancelled.

Each boat which is licensed to carry passengers shall carry twenty pounds of luggage (if required) with every passenger, without extra charge, and the sum to be paid for all luggage beyond the weight above stated shall be at the rate of one passenger fare for every one hundred and fifty pounds weight of luggage so carried; one passenger must be deducted from the number which such boat is licensed to carry.

The fares which licensed watermen will be allowed to charge will be fixed by the Harbour Board of each Province for the several Ports therein.

In those Ports in which night watermen are required, all regulations concerning them will be made by the Harbour Board aforesaid.

In those ports in which " watermen's houses" are provided, they shall be set apart solely for the use of licensed watermen, and no other person will be permitted to occupy them. Should any person persist in doing so, the waterman on duty shall report the same to the police, who will cause such intruders to be removed, and any person persisting in returning to such " watermen's houses," after being warned by the police, shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding forty shillings. Every person who wishes to ply as a waterman in any port, must make

Every person who wishes to ply as a waterman in any port, must make application in writing to the Harbour Board for a license, such application to be countersigned by two respectable residents in the said port, who shall testify to the applicant's respectability. This application, if for a renewal of a license, must be sent in not less than fourteen days before the first of July in each year, but may be sent in at any time for a new license.

Every licensed waterman shall, in addition to his license, carry a printed copy of the Watermen's Regulations and a Table of Fares, any or all of which he shall produce to any person by whom he may be employed, on their being demanded, or be liable to a penalty not exceeding forty shillings.