



**ST HELENA**

**REVISED EDITION OF THE LAWS, 2017**

**PUBLIC FINANCE & REVENUE**

**LIGHT DUES ORDINANCE, 1955<sup>1</sup>**

*Ordinance 15 of 1955  
In force 3 November 1955*

*Amended by Ordinance 1 of 1981*

*Subsidiary legislation:*

**LIGHT DUES ORDER, 2008**

*Legal Notice 8 of 2008 (in force 1 April 2008)*

*Amended by L.N. 10/2012*

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**LIGHT DUES ORDINANCE, 1955**

**ARRANGEMENT OF SECTIONS**

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AN ORDINANCE for the levying of light dues on ships calling at St Helena.

**Short title**

1. This Ordinance may be cited as the Light Dues Ordinance, 1955.

**Light dues to be paid**

2. The master, agent, consignee or charterer of every ship entering the harbour at St Helena must pay dues (termed “**light dues**”) at rates to be fixed from time to time by order made by the Governor in Council.

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<sup>1</sup> Under section 10 of the Revised Edition of the Laws Ordinance, 1999 this text is authoritative and is the sole authentic edition in respect of the law contained in it as at 1 November 2017.

### **Method of payment of light dues**

3. Light dues must be paid either in St Helena to the Financial Secretary or in England to the Crown Agents for Oversea Governments and Administrations and, in the case of ships calling regularly at St Helena, may be paid half-yearly.

### **Clearance may be refused**

4. The Harbour Master may refuse clearance to the master of any ship until the light dues payable under this Ordinance have been paid or have been provided for.

### **Recovery of dues by action**

5. Light dues payable under this Ordinance and not paid may be recovered by action against the master or against the owner, consignee or charterer or the agent of the owner, consignee or charterer of any ship.

### **Exemptions**

6. (1) Ships of Her Majesty's Navy and those belonging to navies of foreign countries and those cable ships belonging to Cable and Wireless Limited are exempt from light dues.

(2) The Governor in Council may exempt any ship from the payment of light dues or, if such dues have been paid, order a refund of them.

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## **LIGHT DUES ORDINANCE, 1955**

### **LIGHT DUES ORDER, 2008**

(Section 2)

### **Citation and commencement**

1. This Order may be cited as the Light Dues Order, 2008 and comes into force on 1st April 2008.

### **Light dues to be paid**

2. (1) Subject to sub-paragraph (3), light dues must be paid by all vessels at the following rates—

<u>Category of Vessel</u>	<u>Dues payable</u>
(A) (i) Any yacht entering the harbour	£35
(ii) All other vessels entering the harbour	£1.80 per 100 net registered tons (subject to a minimum charge of £35)
(B) Vessels (other than category (D) vessels) exceeding	

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| 100 tons that remain in port for more than 3 days  | £20.00 for each day (or part of a day) that the vessel remains in port after the first 3 days    |
| (C) Vessels (other than category (D) vessels) not exceeding 100 tons that remain in port for more than one month | £10.00 for each month (or part of a month) that the vessel remains in port after the first month |
| (D) Vessels stationed in the port and directly serving the needs of St Helena                                    | £2.50 per month (or part of a month) that the vessel remains in port after the first month       |
- (2) The light dues under categories (B), (C) or (D) must be paid in addition to the dues payable under category (A).
- (3) No light dues are payable by any local vessel which is licensed under the Ports Ordinance, 2016.
- (4) For purposes of sub-paragraph (1), “yacht” means any vessel which is so constructed or adapted that it can be propelled by wind power, whether or not it is fitted with one or more engines.

### **Revocation**

3. The Light Dues Order, 2005 is revoked.
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