

- (a) if he suspects that any firearms, military arms, ammunition or explosive substances are, or are kept, in or upon any house, building, land, vehicle, vessel, or other premises in contravention of an order under this regulation, may enter, if need be by force, the house, building, land, vehicle, vessel, or premises, at any time of the day or night and examine, search and inspect the same or any part thereof, and may seize any firearms, military arms, ammunition or explosive substances found therein or thereon which he suspects to be, or to be kept, therein or thereon in contravention of the order; and
- (b) if he suspects that any person is carrying any firearms, military arms, ammunition or explosive substances in contravention of any such order, may stop that person and search him; and
- (c) may seize any firearms, military arms, ammunition, explosive substances or other articles carried by any person in contravention of any such order.

“Any firearms, military arms, ammunition, explosive substances or other articles seized under this regulation may be destroyed or otherwise disposed of as may be ordered by the competent naval or military authority or chief officer of police.”

4. Regulation 9DD shall be amended by the insertion at the end thereof of the following words:—

“Provided that nothing in this regulation shall apply to any exhibition or show at which no dogs are exhibited other than dogs usually kept at places situate within ten miles of the place where the exhibition or show is held, and for the purpose of this provision no dog shall in relation to any exhibition or show be deemed to be usually kept at any place unless it has been kept at that place for at least three months preceding the date on which that exhibition or show is held.”

5. Regulation 39CC shall be amended by the insertion therein after the word “vessel” of the following words:—

“For the purpose of this regulation a person shall be deemed to purchase a ship or vessel if by means of the purchase of any shares in the ship or vessel or by means of the purchase of any shares, stock or debentures or other securities issued by a company, or by any other means whatsoever, he acquires the control of the ship or vessel, and the expression ‘the purchase or any ship or vessel’ shall be construed accordingly.”

6. The following regulation shall be inserted after Regulation 39DD:—

“39DDD. (1) There shall be included in every contract for the charter of any British ship registered in the United Kingdom, and in every contract made in the United Kingdom for the charter of any ship not being such a British ship, a provision making the validity of the contract conditional on the approval of the Shipping Controller being given thereto.

“(2) The owner of any ship with respect to which any such contract as aforesaid is made or, if the contract is made by some person as

agent of the owner that person, shall within fourteen days after the date on which the contract is made deliver a copy thereof to the Shipping Controller:

“Provided that where any such contract is not made in the United Kingdom there shall be substituted for the period of fourteen days as aforesaid a period of fourteen days after the date on which a copy of the contract, if posted at the place where the contract is made immediately after the making thereof, would in due course of post reach the United Kingdom.

“(3) If any person

- (a) being the owner of any ship, whether by himself or by any agent, enters into any contract, being such a contract as aforesaid, which does not comply with the foregoing requirements: or
- (b) being a person required as aforesaid to deliver to the Shipping Controller a copy of any contract fails so to do within the time hereinbefore allowed in that behalf: or
- (c) fails to comply with any of the conditions subject to which any approval has been granted by the Shipping Controller under the foregoing provisions,

he shall be guilty of an offence against these regulations, and any contract made in contravention of this regulation shall be void.

“(4) Where any such contracts as aforesaid which have been made before the fifth day of February, nineteen hundred and eighteen, and are in force on that date do not contain such a provision as aforesaid, the Shipping Controller may, if he is of opinion that it is necessary so to do for the purpose of organising or maintaining the supply of shipping in the national interests in connection with the present war, by order direct that the contracts shall cease to have effect as from the date specified in that behalf in the order.

“Any such order may apply either generally to all such contracts, or to contracts of any specified class or description, or to particular contracts.

“(5) In this regulation the expression ‘ship’ and ‘British ship’ have the same meaning as in the Merchant Shipping Acts, 1894 to 1916, and the expression ‘contract’ includes an agreement of any kind, and where the person with whom a contract for the charter of a ship is made is himself a charterer of the ship that person shall for the purposes of this regulation and so far as relates to that contract be deemed to be the owner of the ship.”

7. After Regulation 41AAA the following regulation shall be inserted:—

“41AB. (1) Before any male person apparently of military age is taken into or engages in any employment in Great Britain or a contract for such employment is entered into with him, the proposed employer shall take all reasonable steps to obtain the production of any certificate of exemption or protection affecting him and other evidence relating to his position for the time being with regard to liability for military service.