

ORDER OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT
BOARD.

Regulations as to Cholera, Yellow Fever, and
Plague: Ships arriving from foreign Ports.

PORTS OF HARWICH AND IPSWICH.

HARWICH AND IPSWICH PORT SANITARY
AUTHORITIES.

To the Harwich Port Sanitary Authority;—

To the Ipswich Port Sanitary Authority;—

To the Officers of Customs of the Ports of
Harwich and Ipswich;—

To the Medical Officers of Health of the
said Port Sanitary Authorities;—

To all Masters of Ships;—

To all Pilots;—

And to all others whom it may concern.

Whereas We, the Local Government Board, are empowered by Section 130 of the Public Health Act, 1875, as amended by the Public Health Act, 1896, from time to time to make, alter, and revoke such Regulations as to Us may seem fit, with a view to the treatment of persons affected with Cholera or any other epidemic, endemic, or infectious disease, and preventing the spread of Cholera and such other diseases, as well on the seas, rivers, and waters of the United Kingdom, and on the high seas within three miles of the coasts thereof, as on land; and to provide for the enforcement and execution of such Regulations;

And whereas by Section 1 of the Public Health Act, 1896, it is enacted that Regulations of the Local Government Board made in pursuance of Section 130 of the Public Health Act, 1875, or in pursuance of that Section, as extended to London by the Public Health (London) Act, 1891, may provide for such Regulations being enforced and executed by the Officers of Customs and the Officers and men employed in the Coastguard as well as by other authorities and officers, and without prejudice to the generality of the powers conferred by those Sections may provide for—

(a) the signals to be hoisted by vessels having any case of epidemic, endemic, or infectious disease on board; and

(b) the questions to be answered by masters, pilots, and other persons on board any vessel as to cases of such disease on board during the voyage or on the arrival of the vessel; and

(c) the detention of vessels and of persons on board vessels; and

(d) the duties to be performed in cases of such disease by masters, pilots, and other persons on board vessels: Provided that the regulations shall be subject to the consent—

(a) so far as they apply to the officers of Customs, of the Commissioners of His Majesty's Customs; and

(b) so far as they apply to officers or men employed in the Coastguard, of the Admiralty; and

(c) so far as they apply to signals, of the Board of Trade.

And whereas by sub-section (1) of Section 1 of the Public Health Act, 1904, it is enacted as follows:—

“1.—(1) The power of making regulations under the Public Health Act, 1896, and the enactments mentioned in that Act, shall include the power of making regulations authorising measures to be taken for the prevention of danger arising to public health from vessels arriving at any port, and for the prevention of the conveyance of infection by means of any vessel sailing from any port, so far as may be necessary or expedient for the purpose of carrying out any treaty, convention, arrangement, or engagement with any foreign country, and the regulations may in particular provide for the recovery of any expenses incurred in disinfection and of any charges authorised to be made by the regulations for the purpose of those regulations or any services performed thereunder, and also for any powers and duties under the regulations being executed and performed by local authorities:

“Provided that the regulations shall not be made except after consultation with the Board of Trade.”

And whereas by an Order dated the 20th day of April, 1903 (hereinafter referred to as “the Order of 1903”), We made Regulations with regard to ships bound to the Port of Ipswich and coming or being within the Harwich Port Sanitary District with a view to the treatment of persons affected with Cholera, Yellow Fever, or Plague, and for preventing the spread of any of those diseases, and with respect to the signals to be hoisted by ships infected with Cholera, Yellow Fever, or Plague;

And whereas by a General Order dated the 9th day of September, One thousand nine hundred and seven, We made Regulations with regard to the treatment of persons affected with Cholera, Yellow Fever, or Plague, and for preventing the spread of any of those diseases, and with respect to the signals to be hoisted by ships infected with Cholera, Yellow Fever, or Plague, and We declared that those Regulations should apply and have effect throughout England and Wales, except as regards the Port Sanitary Districts of Bristol and Gloucester, Harwich and Ipswich, and Liverpool and Manchester;

And whereas it is expedient that the Order of 1903 should be revoked, and that other Regulations should be made as hereinafter mentioned;

And whereas the Commissioners of His Majesty's Customs and the Board of Trade have respectively signified their consent to the Regulations hereinafter set forth so far as they respectively apply to the Officers of Customs and to signals, and the said Regulations, so far as they apply to any matter in respect of which We are empowered by the Public Health Act, 1904, to make Regulations, have been made after consultation with the Board of Trade:

Now therefore, We do hereby revoke the Order of 1903, except in so far as it may apply to any proceedings now pending, and We do, by this Our Order, and in the exercise of the powers conferred on Us by the Public Health Act, 1875, the Public Health Act, 1896, and the Public Health Act, 1904, and every other power enabling