

**1975 No. 552**

**SOCIAL SECURITY**

**The Social Security (Mariners—Transitional  
Provisions) Regulations 1975**

<i>Made</i> - - - -	<i>3rd April 1975</i>
<i>Laid before Parliament</i>	<i>4th April 1975</i>
<i>Coming into force 6th April 1975</i>	<i>6th April 1975</i>

The Secretary of State for Social Services, in exercise of powers conferred upon her by paragraphs 7 and 9(1)(c) of Schedule 3 to the Social Security (Consequential Provisions) Act 1975(a) and of all other powers enabling her in that behalf, hereby makes the following regulations:

**Citation, commencement and interpretation**

1.—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the Social Security (Mariners—Transitional Provisions) Regulations 1975, and shall come into operation on 6th April 1975.

(2) Any reference in these regulations to any provision made by or contained in any enactment or instrument shall, except in so far as the context otherwise requires, be construed as a reference to that provision as amended or extended by any enactment or instrument and as including a reference to any provision which it re-enacts or replaces, or which may re-enact or replace it, with or without modification.

(3) The rules for the construction of Acts of Parliament contained in the Interpretation Act 1889(b) shall apply for the purposes of the interpretation of these regulations as they apply for the purposes of the interpretation of an Act of Parliament.

**Winding up of reserve**

2. For the purpose of facilitating the winding up of the system of insurance contained in the National Insurance Act 1965(c) and the disposal of matters connected with that system, the reserve formed under regulation 6(2)(a) of the National Insurance (Mariners) Regulations 1967(d) (employer's contributions in respect of mariners employed on board British ships who neither are domiciled nor have places of residence in the United Kingdom to be applied partly towards the formation of a reserve for the purpose of meeting liabilities arising by virtue of any Order in Council giving effect to any reciprocal agreement made under section 105 of the National Insurance Act 1965) shall be wound up and two thirds of the said reserve paid to The Merchant Navy Welfare Board and one

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(a) 1975 c.18.  
(b) 1889 c.63.  
(c) 1965 c.51.  
(d) S.I. 1967/386 (1967 I, p. 1294).

third paid to the Seamen's Special Fund (incorporated by Royal Charter under the name of The Royal Seamen's Pension Fund).

**Continuance in force of certain provisions of the National Insurance Act 1965**

3. The provisions of paragraphs 1(1) (effect of special savings on regulations) and 19(c) (continuance in force of a scheme relating to the Seamen's Special Fund) of Schedule 11 to the National Insurance Act 1965 shall continue in force for transitional purposes, notwithstanding the repeal of the said Schedule 11 by section 110(2) of and Schedule 28 to the Social Security Act 1973(a).

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Social Services,

3rd April 1975

*Brian O'Malley*  
Minister of State, Department of Health and Social Security

**EXPLANATORY NOTE**

*(This Note is not part of the Regulations)*

Regulation 6(2) of the National Insurance (Mariners) Regulations 1967 provided for employers' contributions in respect of mariners employed on board British ships who neither are domiciled nor have places or residence in the United Kingdom to be applied partly towards the formation of a reserve for the purpose of liabilities arising by virtue of any Order in Council giving effect to any reciprocal agreement made under section 105 of the National Insurance Act 1965. Regulation 2 of these regulations provides for this reserve to be wound up and for two thirds of it to be paid to The Merchant Navy Welfare Board and one third to The Royal Seamen's Pension Fund.

Paragraph 19(c) of Schedule 11 to the National Insurance Act 1976 provides for the special saving of section 69(1)(f) of the National Insurance Act 1946 (c.67), which relates to the continuing in force and administration of the scheme relating to The Royal Seamen's Pension Fund established for the purposes of section 138 of the National Health Insurance Act 1936 (c.32), and paragraph 1(1) provides for the continuance in force of regulations made under provisions specially saved by Schedule 11. The National Insurance (Seamen's Special Fund) Regulations 1948 (S.I. 1948/1423) are such regulations, having been made under section 69(1)(f) of the 1946 Act. Regulation 3 of these regulations provides for the continuance in force, for transitional purposes, of paragraphs 1(1) and 19(c) of Schedule 11.

(a) 1973 c.38.