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IN THE COUNTY OF NORFOLK.

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1. The land (hereinafter called the "land area") situate in the parish of Holme-next-the-Sea and the foreshore and sea abutting thereon (hereinafter called the "sea area") within the limits hereinafter mentioned and described, which together constitute the danger zone of the Range, shall be closed to all persons to allow of firing from the Range while the warning signals are hoisted in accordance with Bye-law No. 5.

2. The land area is a small strip of coastland of an average width of 50 yards, and of length about 900 yards, its centre being about 500 yards E.N.E. of Gore Point. The area is bounded on the seaward side by the line of High Water Mark between a point thereon about 100 yards and in a direction  $67^{\circ}$  true from Gore Point, on the West, to a point thereon 1,000 yards and in a direction  $78^{\circ}$  true from Gore Point on the East. Each of the above-named points on High Water Mark is marked by a pole carrying a triangle at the top.

The inland boundary of the land area consists of lines joining the above two points on High Water Mark to a flagstaff situated at the N.W. corner of the battery site, the centre of which is about 500 yards due East of Gore Point.

3. The Sea Area consists of the  $162^{\circ}$  sector of a circle, of radius 10,500 yards (5.18 nautical miles) with its centre at the aforesaid flagstaff at the battery site; the southern boundaries of the sector being radii of the circle, of which the directions are  $72^{\circ}$  true (N.  $86^{\circ}$  E. Mag.) and  $270^{\circ}$  true (N.  $76^{\circ}$  W. Mag.) respectively, from the flagstaff at the battery site. That portion of the sector which is included in the land area above described is excluded from the sea area.

### NOTICES.

4. Public Notification that firing will take place will be given as follows:—

(a) In the case of firing by day by warning posted 24 hours previously at the following places:—

The Fishermen's Quay, The Docks, King's Lynn,  
The Coastguard Station, Hunstanton,  
The Watch Box, near Coastguard Station, Brancaster,  
The Post Offices at New Hunstanton, Old Hunstanton,  
Holme, Thornham, and the Custom House, Boston.

Notification will also be given 24 hours previously to :—

- The Secretary, Hunstanton Golf Club, Club House,  
Hunstanton,
  - The Secretary, Brancaster Golf Club, Brancaster, King's  
Lynn,
  - A. Jeeves, Esq. (or occupier), Whitehall, Holme-next-  
Sea, King's Lynn,
  - Mrs. M. Bett (or occupier), The Cottage, Thornham, King's  
Lynn,
  - The Police Inspector, Police Station, New Hunstanton.
- (b) In the case of firing by night by warning posted 48 hours previously at the places mentioned in (a) above. Notification will also be given 48 hours previously to the persons mentioned in (a) above.
- (c) 1. In normal circumstances night firing (of which 48 hours' notice will be given as above) will not last more than 3 hours.
2. Except when night firing occurs, no firing will take place between the hours of 7 p.m. and 8 a.m. the following morning.
3. No firing will take place on Saturdays and Sundays.

#### SIGNALS.

5. The signal that the land and sea areas are closed will be given as follows :—

*By day.*

By hoisting red flags at the following places :—

- (1) On the aforesaid flagstaff at the North-West corner of the battery site.
- (2) On a flagstaff erected at Gore Point.
- (3) Surmounting the triangle on the pole at the Western end of the land area.
- (4) On the Lynn Well Lightship.

*By night.*

By three red lights hung in a vertical line on the flagstaff at Gore Point.

#### OFFENCES.

6. During such time as the land and sea areas shall be closed as aforesaid, no person shall enter or remain therein, nor bring, take, nor suffer to remain therein, any vehicle, animal, vessel, aircraft or thing.

7. No vessel shall be employed in fishing in any part of the sea area while closed.

8. No pleasure boat shall cruise in any part of the sea area while closed.

9. No vessel shall anchor or remain anchored in or ground on any part of the sea area while closed.

10. No aircraft shall alight on, remain in, or travel upon the sea area while closed.

11. In the event of any vessel or aircraft being from any cause within the sea area while closed, the Master or Pilot or other person in charge thereof shall use his utmost endeavours to pass out of the said area without loss of time.

12. No person shall trawl, dredge or search for, or otherwise interfere with any shot, shell or other projectile within the sea area, or take or retain, or be in possession of, any such shot, shell or other projectile, or portions thereof, found within the sea area.

Any person who, when trawling, dredging, or in any manner whatever, shall come into possession of any such shot, shell or other projectile, or any portion thereof, within the sea area, shall not retain them, but shall immediately return them in their then condition, and without tampering with them, into the water.

Provided, nevertheless, that the provision of this Bye-law shall not apply in case of persons who recover projectiles under written instructions from the local Naval or Military Authorities.

13. The following persons, viz. :—

- (1) The Major-General, i/c Administration, Eastern Command.
- (2) The Officer in Charge of the Range.
- (3) Any Officer, Warrant Officer, Non-Commissioned Officer, or any Military Policeman, for the time being under the command of the said Officer in Charge.
- (4) Any person authorised in writing under the hand of the said Officer in Charge.
- (5) Any Constable,

shall have the power and are hereby authorised :—

- (1) To remove from the land area or the sea area and take into custody without warrant, and bring before a Court of Summary Jurisdiction, as provided by the Military Lands Acts, 1892 to 1903, to be dealt with according to law, any person contravening any of these Bye-laws.
- (2) To remove from the land area or the sea area any vehicle, animal, vessel, aircraft, or thing found therein in contravention of any of these Bye-laws, and any such vehicle, animal, vessel, aircraft, or thing shall be liable to forfeiture as mentioned in the aforesaid Acts.

14. Any person doing anything prohibited by or otherwise contravening any of the preceding Bye-laws, numbered 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11 and 12 respectively, shall be deemed to commit an offence against the same, and is under the said Acts liable, on conviction, to a fine not exceeding **Five Pounds**.

## GENERAL.

15. While any vessel or aircraft is within danger in the sea area all firing will cease, and a second red flag will be hoisted below the first flags referred to in (1) and (2) of Bye-law 5 to notify the Master or Pilot or other person in charge of the vessel or aircraft that he is within the danger area.

16. These Bye-laws shall not apply to:—

- (a) Any vessel entering or passing through the sea area in the ordinary course of navigation.
- (b) Any vessel compelled to enter or unable to quit the sea area by reason of the exigencies of navigation.
- (c) Any vessel employed in tending, placing, or replacing any of the channel mark buoys or other aids to navigation within the sea area.
- (d) H.M. Ships of War, H.M. Aircraft or any vessel or aircraft employed under Admiralty or Air Council Authority.
- (e) Any aircraft compelled to alight on or unable to quit the sea area.

17. "Vessel in these Bye-laws includes ship, yacht, lighter boat and craft of every kind, and whether navigated by steam, motor, sail, oars, or otherwise.

18. "Aircraft" in these Bye-laws includes all balloons, whether fixed or free, kites, airships, aeroplanes, seaplanes, flying boats and other flying machines.

19. Copies of these Bye-laws can be obtained at the Post Offices at New Hunstanton and King's Lynn, and at the Police Station, New Hunstanton.

20. These Bye-laws shall come into force on the 23rd June, 1924, and remain in operation until the 15th September, 1924.

*Dated this twentieth day of June, One thousand nine hundred and twenty-four.*

(Signed) STEPHEN WALSH,

*His Majesty's Principal Secretary  
of State for the War Department.*

The Board of Trade hereby signify their consent to the foregoing Bye-laws.

(Signed) SIDNEY WEBB,

*President of the Board of Trade.*

26.6.24.

## NOTICE.

Aircraft are warned not to fly in the vicinity of this range while firing is in progress, and no liability for accidents to aircraft arising from the use of the range can be admitted.