HORNSEA RIFLE RANGE

IN THE COUNTY OF

YORKSHIRE

NORTH HUMBERSIDE

BYE-LAWS

Made by His Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for the War Department, under the provisions of the Military Lands Acts, 1892 to 1903, with the consent of the Board of Trade, and of the County Council of the East Riding of Yorkshire for regulating the use of the above-named Range.

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GENERAL PROHIBITION.

1. During such time as notice is given by the hoisting of signals in manner hereinafter provided in Bye-law No. 3 that firing is taking place on the Hornsea Rifle Range, all intrusion on the Territorial Army Association property at Hornsea, hereinafter called the land area, and the foreshore and sea abutting thereon, hereinafter called the sea area, within the limits set out in the Schedule hereto, and all obstruction of the use thereof is prohibited.

OFFENCES DURING FIRING.

2. While notice that firing is taking place on the Hornsea Rifle Range over the areas mentioned in Bye-law No. 1, is given by the hoisting of signals as provided in Bye-law No. 3, then:

(i) All roads and footpaths within the land area will be closed, and no person shall enter or remain within the land area or the sea area nor bring, take, nor suffer to remain therein, any vehicle, animal, vessel, aircraft or thing, except as provided in Bye-laws Nos. 3(3) and 6.

(ii) No vessel shall be employed in fishing in the sea area.

(iii) No pleasure boat shall cruise in the sea area.

(iv) No vessel shall anchor or remain anchored in or ground in the sea area.

(v) No aircraft shall alight on or remain in or travel upon the sea area.

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

SIGNS.

3. — (a) Notice that firing is taking place is given by the hoisting of red flags at the following places:

(i) On the Flagstaff situated on the top of the Cliff at the Northern limit of the land area.

(ii) On the Flagstaff situated on the top of the Cliff at the Southern limit of the land area.
(n) In addition to the signals referred to in (a) above, look-outs will be posted at the Flagstaffs and will signal for firing to cease, by lowering the red flags, when any person desires to pass, on lawful business, along the footpath on the Cliff edge. Such persons shall proceed as quickly as possible, without loitering, and shall not pass until the red flags are lowered.

DURATION OF SIGNALS.

The signals referred to in (a) of this Bye-law will be hoisted a half of an hour before firing is due to begin, and will, subject to the provisions of (n) of this Bye-law and of Bye-law No. 5, remain hoisted until firing has ceased, when they will be hauled down.

OFFICERS AUTHORISED.

4. Any person doing anything prohibited by or otherwise contravening Bye-laws Nos. 1 or 2 shall be deemed to commit an offence against the Bye-law so contravened. The persons hereby authorised to remove or to take into custody, without warrant, any person contravening Bye-laws Nos. 1 or 2, or to remove any vehicle, animal, vessel, aircraft or thing found on the land area or the sea area in contravention of Bye-law No. 2, are:—

(1) The Officer in Charge of the Range.
(2) Any Officer, Warrant Officer, Non-commissioned Officer or any Military Policeman for the time being under the Command of the said Officer in Charge.
(3) Any person authorised in writing under the hand of the said Officer in Charge.
(4) Any Constable.

WHEN ANY VESSEL OR AIRCRAFT IS IN DANGER.

5. While any vessel or aircraft is within the sea area all firing will cease and the red flags on the Flagstaffs referred to in Bye-law No. 3, will be lowered and a cone hoisted in place thereof to notify the Master or Pilot or other person in charge of the vessel or aircraft that he is within the sea area.

EXEMPTIONS.

6. 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 engaged in racing, provided due notice has been given of the racing fixture not less than forty-eight hours previously to the Coastguard Officer, Hornsea, who will communicate the same to the Officer in Charge of the Range.

(d) Any vessel employed in tending, placing or replacing any of the channel mark-buoys or other aids to navigation within the sea area.

(e) H.M. Ships of War, H.M. Aircraft or any vessel or aircraft employed under Admiralty, War Department, or Air Council Authority.

(f) Any aircraft compelled to alight on or unable to quit the sea area.

(g) Any vessel belonging to the Corporation of Trinity House, London, whilst employed on any Trinity House duty or service.

INTERPRETATION.

7.—(a) "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.

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

DATE OF OPERATION OF BYE-LAWS.

8. These Bye-laws shall come into force on the first day of May, One thousand nine hundred and thirty-five on and after which date the Bye-laws in respect of Hornsea Rifle Range dated 19th September, One thousand nine hundred and twenty-three shall cease to have effect.

SCHEDULE.

DESCRIPTION OF LAND AND SEA AREAS.

(1) LAND AREA.

The land area of the Rifle Range affected by these Bye-laws is situated in the Rural District of Skirlaugh, about one and a quarter miles South-South-East of Hornsea, and lies between the seashore and Rolston Lane. It is bounded as follows:—

On the South West.—By a line commencing at a point on the Eastern side of Rolston Lane, about 350 yards North of the Cross Roads in Rolston Village, and drawn in a North-Westerly direction along the East side of Rolston Lane for a distance of about 400 yards.
On the North.—By a line following the hedge marking the Southern boundary of Hornsea Urban District drawn in an Easterly direction for about 750 yards; thence by a line northwards for about 100 yards and thence eastwards again to the Cliff edge to the point marked by the Northern Flagstaff referred to in Bye-law No. 3.

On the East.—By the line of the Cliff edge in a South-South-Eastern direction for a distance of about 400 yards to the point marked by the Southern Flagstaff referred to in Bye-law No. 3.

On the South.—By a line drawn in a Westerly direction to the starting point on the East side of Rolston Lane.

(2) Sea Area.

The area of foreshore and sea affected by these Bye-laws as shown on Chart 1190, extends into the North Sea for about 1·15 Nautical miles from High Water Mark and is bounded as follows:

On the North.—By a line commencing at a point on High Water Mark in Latitude 53° 53' 50" N. Longitude 0° 8' 45" W. drawn in a direction 46° for a distance of about 1·15 Nautical miles until a point is reached in Latitude 53° 54' 38" N. Longitude 0° 7' 24" W; thence:

On the East.—By a line commencing at the last-mentioned point and drawn in a direction 154° for a distance of about 0·8 of a Nautical mile until a point is reached in Latitude 53° 53' 54" N. Longitude 0° 6' 48" W.; thence:

On the South.—By a line commencing at the last-mentioned point and drawn in a direction 258° for a distance of about 1·15 Nautical miles until a point is reached on High Water Mark in Latitude 53° 53' 40" N. Longitude 0° 8' 36" W.; and thence:

On the West.—By the line of High Water in a Northerly direction to the starting point in Latitude 53° 53' 50" N. Longitude 0° 8' 45" W.

Dated this fourth day of April, One thousand nine hundred and thirty-five.

(Signed) HAILSHAM,
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) WALTER RUNCIMAN,
President of the Board of Trade.

The County Council of the East Riding of Yorkshire hereby signify their consent to the foregoing Bye-laws.

(Signed) DERAMORE,
Chairman.

(Signed) GODFREY MACDONALD,
Clerk.

NOTICES.

PENALTY FOR OFFENCES.

(1) By Section 17 (2) of the Military Lands Act, 1892, it is provided that:—

If any person commits an offence against any Bye-law under this Act he shall be liable on conviction before a Court of Summary Jurisdiction to a fine not exceeding FIVE POUNDS, and may be removed by any Constable or Officer authorised in manner provided by the Bye-law from the area, whether land or water, to which the Bye-law applies and taken into custody without warrant and brought before a Court of Summary Jurisdiction to be dealt with according to law, and any vehicle, animal, vessel or thing found in the area in contravention of any Bye-law may be removed by any Constable or such Officer as aforesaid, and, on due proof of such contravention, be declared by a Court of Summary Jurisdiction to be forfeited to His Majesty.

APPLICATION TO SEA AREA.

(2) By Section 2 (2) of the Military Lands Act, 1900, it is provided:—

Where any land, the use of which can be regulated by Bye-laws under the Military Lands Act, 1892, or this Act, abuts on any sea or tidal water or where rifle or artillery practice is or can be carried on over any sea, tidal water or shore from any such land Bye-laws may be made in relation to any such sea, tidal water or shore as if they were part of the land.
PUBLIC NOTIFICATION OF FIRING.

(3) Public notification that firing will take place will be made by notice given 24 hours previously to the Coastguard Officer, Hornsea, and to the Coastguard Officer at Bridlington.

WHERE BYE-LAWS CAN BE OBTAINED.

(4) Copies of these Bye-laws can be obtained at the Office of the East Riding Territorial Army Association, York City Bank Chambers, Lowgate, Hull.

WHERE PLAN OF RANGE CAN BE INSPECTED.

(5) A plan and chart showing the land and sea areas of the Range, and the positions of the Flagstaffs referred to in Bye-law No. 3 can be inspected at the above office.