



NEWHAVEN RIFLE RANGE

IN THE COUNTY OF SUSSEX.

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, as amended by the Defence of the Realm (No. 2) Regulations, 1914, made under the Defence of the Realm (No. 2) Act, 1914.

1. The land hereinafter called "the land area" situate in the Parish of Newhaven 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 signal is hoisted in accordance with Bye-law 5.

2. The land area lies on the Cliff about 1 Mile West of Newhaven Harbour and is approximately triangular in shape, with its base (about 500 yards long) on the line of H.W.M. and its apex at a point about 100 yards S.E. of New Barn. Each end of its base will be marked by a pole on the Cliff with a wooden triangle on the top. The triangles and the poles will be painted black and white to make them as conspicuous as possible.

3. The sea area, which extends W.S.W. out to sea for about 14 miles from H.W.M. is a prolongation of the approximately triangular land area.

The sea area is bounded as follows:—

On the East by the line of H.W.M. extending between the two poles mentioned above; thence

On the North by a line drawn from the Westernmost pole in a direction 267° 30' (true) (N. 78° W. Mag.), until a point is reached from which the Easternmost pole bears 82° (true) (S. 72° E. Mag.); thence

On the West by a line drawn 167° (true) (S. 3° W. Mag.) until a point is reached from which the Easternmost pole bears 68° 30' (true) (N. 84° E. Mag.); and thence

On the South by line drawn in a direction 68° 30' (true) (N. 84° E. Mag.) to the Easternmost pole.

NOTICES.

4. Firing may take place on this range at any time and no special notices will be issued.

SIGNAL.

5. The signal that the land and sea area are closed will be given by hoisting a red flag on a pole on the highest point of the cliff just to the West of the land area.

OFFENCES.

6. During the time the land and sea area are closed as aforesaid all footpaths within the land area will be stopped up and no person shall enter or remain within either area, nor being, take nor suffer to remain therein any vehicle, horse, vessel or thing.

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

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

11. The following persons, viz:—

(1) The General Officer Commanding-in-Chief, 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, horse, vessel, or thing found therein in contravention of any of these Bye-laws, and any such vehicle, horse, vessel, or thing shall be liable to forfeiture as mentioned in the aforesaid Acts.

12. Any person doing anything prohibited by or otherwise contravening any of the preceding Bye-laws, numbered 6, 7, 8, 9 and 10 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.

13. While any vessel is within the sea area all firing will cease, and a second red flag will be hoisted below the first flag on the pole referred to in Bye-law 5 to notify the Master or other person in charge of the vessel that he is within the danger area.

14. 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, piloting, or replacing any of the Channel mark buoys or other aids to navigation within the sea area.

(d) H.M. Ships of War, or any vessel employed under Admiralty Authority.

15. "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.

16. Copies of these Bye-laws can be obtained at the Office of the Commanding Royal Engineer, The Fort, Newhaven.

17. These Bye-laws shall come into force forthwith.

Dated this third day of December, one thousand nine hundred and fourteen.

(Signed) **R. H. BRADY,**

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