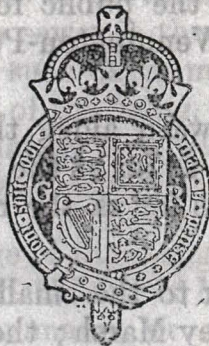


STATUTORY RULES AND ORDERS.
No. 1370 OF 1926.

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1. THE area of land affected by these Bye-laws (hereinafter called the "Danger Area") lies on the South-West side of the London, Tilbury and Southend Railway line between Rainham and Purfleet in the County of Essex. It comprises the greater part of Rainham, Wennington and Aveley Marshes and extends in length (for about 3 miles) from the Manor Way between Rainham and Rainham Ferry to Purfleet, and in width (for about $\frac{3}{4}$ mile on the average) from the said railway line to or towards the River Thames.

The danger area is bounded as follows:—

On the North-East—

By a line commencing at a point (marked by a stone inscribed W.D. 29) on the Rainham-Rainham Ferry Manor Way (shown on the Ordnance Survey Map as "Ferry Lane") and passing thence South-Eastward along the War Department boundary fence to the occupation road alongside the Rainham Sewer; thence South-Eastward along the railway fence as far as the Railway Station (Purfleet Rifle Ranges); thence along the South side of the Station Enclosure and along the South fence of the public footpath leading from the Station to the Wennington-Purfleet Road; thence:—

On the South-East—

Proceeding southward along the West side of the last mentioned road as far as the Mar Dyke; thence along the Mar Dyke as far as the river bank; thence:—

On the South-West—

By the river bank to the small inlet at the South-West corner of Aveley Marsh; thence North-westward by the line of the War Department boundary stones and the wire fence forming the South-West boundary of the War Department land to a point thereon marked by a stone inscribed W.D. 38; thence by the ditch running North-westward to the Rainham-Rainham Ferry Manor Way; thence:—

On the North-West—

Along the east side of the said Manor Way to the starting point.

2. NOTICE boards are placed where any pathway or roadway enters the danger area.

3. DURING such time as firing is taking place the danger area will be closed to the public, and notice that the area is closed will be given by hoisting a red flag on the flagstaff erected about the centre of the War Department property between Rainham and Purfleet, and visible from any part of the Ranges.

4. WHEN and during the time the flag is hoisted as mentioned in Bye-Law No. 3, no person shall enter or remain within the danger area, and no vehicle, animal, or thing shall be allowed to remain thereon without the authority of the Chief Engineer, Eastern Command, and all footpaths thereon will be closed.

5. WHEN the Essex Sewers Commissioners or their Officers, Servants and Workmen require to pass along the River Walling Sewers and Watercourses or to carry out repairs thereto within a danger zone of the range in the execution of the Office of the Commission, they shall so inform the Officer then in charge of the firing, who shall thereupon order that all firing within such zone shall cease and shall not recommence until they have passed therefrom. It shall be competent for the responsible Officer of the Range to arrange with a responsible Officer of the Commission for the transfer of Commission men working in a danger zone as aforesaid to another area of the range so as to interfere as little as possible with the use of the Range.

6. NOTHING in the Bye-laws shall prejudicially affect the rights of the Romford Rural District Council under the agreement made with the Secretary of State for War, dated 18th January, 1924, and when the Officers or Servants of the Council require to pass along the line of their sewer in the execution of the Council's statutory powers, under such Agreement they shall so inform the Officer then in charge of the firing, who shall thereupon order that all firing within the danger area will cease and will not recommence until they have passed out of the danger area.

7. THE Officer in charge of the Range, or any Officer, Warrant Officer, Non-Commissioned Officer or Military Policeman for the time being under his command, or any person authorised in writing under the hand of the said Officer in charge of the Range, or any Constable, shall have power and are hereby authorised :—

- (1) To remove from the said danger area, and take into custody without warrant, and bring before a Court of Summary Jurisdiction, as provided by the Military Lands Acts, 1892-1903, to be dealt with according to law, any person contravening Bye-law No. 4.
- (2) To remove from the said danger area any vehicle, animal or thing found thereon in contravention of Bye-law

No. 4, and any such vehicle, animal or thing shall be liable to forfeiture as mentioned in the aforesaid Acts.

8. ANY person doing anything prohibited by, or otherwise contravening Bye-law No. 4, 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.

9. COPIES of these Bye-laws can be obtained at the price of One Shilling for each copy, and a plan of the range may be inspected at the Office of the Division Officer, Royal Engineers, Purfleet.

10. THESE Bye-laws shall come into force at the date hereof, on and after which date the Bye-laws dated thirteenth February, One thousand nine hundred and eleven in respect of Purfleet Rifle Range shall be revoked.

Dated this fourteenth day of July, One thousand nine hundred and twenty-six.

(Signed) L. WORTHINGTON EVANS,
*His Majesty's Principal Secretary of State
for the War Department.*

The Rural District Council of Romford hereby signify their consent to the foregoing Bye-laws.

(Signed) HYL A. H. HOLDEN,
Chairman.

(Signed) T. W. A. GREENHALGH,
Clerk.

The Rural District Council of Orsett hereby signify their consent to the foregoing Bye-laws.

(Signed) B. H. L. WILLIAMS,
Chairman.

(Signed) HERBERT WRIGHT,
Clerk.