

number of the said persons, being Freemen of the said Waterman's Company, as the corporation shall from time to time see fit, shall be licensed as pilots by the corporation for the purpose of piloting "Home Trade" steam passenger ships up and down the River Thames between London Bridge and Gravesend.

And whereas it has been deemed expedient that the qualification to be required from such last-named persons, and the terms and conditions of granting licenses to them should differ and be distinct from the qualification, terms, and conditions which apply to the appointing and licensing of pilots for the general service within the said London District, and it is intended to designate such persons to be so licensed as "Watermen Pilots for Home Trade Steam Passenger Ships."

And whereas the said corporation have submitted, for the consent of Her Majesty in Council, certain regulations (hereunto annexed), for the licensing of persons as pilots; and whereas the said regulations appear to be proper and reasonable.

Now, therefore, Her Majesty, by virtue of the power vested in Her by the said recited Act, and by and with the advice of Her Privy Council, is pleased to approve and doth hereby approve of the said regulations so submitted as aforesaid.

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#### REGULATIONS.

*First.* All persons applying for licenses as pilots in the London District (except Freemen of the said Waterman's Company applying to be licensed for Home Trade Steam Passenger Ships), shall produce such certificates as shall be deemed satisfactory by the Trinity House, previously to examination, as in the said Act provided, on the following points; viz.:

- 1st. Their qualification by previous service, under the rule hereinafter provided.
- 2nd. Their previous good conduct and habits of sobriety.
- 3rd. Their age; and
- 4th. That they are in good health, and not afflicted with any bodily complaint or infirmity rendering them unfit properly to perform the duties of a pilot, which last certificate shall be under the hand of a duly authorized medical practitioner.

*Second.* No person shall be licensed as a pilot for the London District (except Freemen of the said Waterman's Company), who shall have passed the age of 35 years, nor in the Trinity House Outport Districts, who shall have passed the like age, except under such especial circumstances as shall appear to the Trinity House to afford sufficient grounds for his appointment after that age.

*Third.* No person shall be licensed as a pilot for the London District (except Freemen of the said Waterman's Company), who shall not have served as mate for three years on board of, or shall not have been for one year in actual command of, a square rigged vessel of not less than 80 tons register tonnage for the North Channel upwards; and not less than 150 tons register tonnage for the North Channel downwards; or for any of the South Channels, or who shall not have been employed in the pilotage or buoyage service of the said Trinity House for seven years, and have served, in addition thereto, for two years in a square rigged vessel, or who shall not have served

an apprenticeship of five years to some licensed pilot vessel, and shall also have served for two years in a square rigged vessel.

*Fourth.* No person licensed as a pilot for the London District (except Freemen of the said Waterman's Company, to be licensed as herein-after provided), shall take charge as such of any ship drawing more than fourteen feet water, in the Rivers Thames or Medway, or any of the channels leading thereto or therefrom, until such person shall have acted as a licensed pilot for three years, and shall have been after such three years, on re-examination, approved of in that behalf by the said Trinity House, on pain of forfeiting ten pounds (£10) for every such offence, unless there shall be no qualified pilot to be obtained, who has passed the said examination for ships drawing more than fourteen feet water.

*Fifth.* Every pilot who by the 385th section of the said "Merchant Shipping Act, 1854", is required to pay a sum of three pounds three shillings (£3 3s.) to the Pilot Fund, on the 1st of January in every year, shall, on receiving a license, pay a like sum of three pounds three shillings (£3 3s.), and for every extension of such license a further sum of one pound one shilling (£1 1s.) to the said fund.

*Sixth.* Every pilot who shall of his own accord relinquish his employment as such, or who shall be dismissed from the service, shall not be entitled to a return of any sum or sums paid by him to the said Pilot Fund, and shall forfeit all claim to any allowance therefrom.

*Seventh.* Any person, being a Freeman of the said Waterman's Company, who shall be able to prove to the satisfaction of the Trinity House, that he has piloted steam passenger ships on the River Thames, between London Bridge and Gravesend, for a period of two years, or who shall have obtained his freedom of the said Company, by servitude as apprentice to any such freeman employed in so piloting such steam passenger ships, shall be deemed qualified, after examination as in the said Act provided, to be licensed as a pilot for the navigation up and down the River Thames, between London Bridge and Gravesend, subject to the following terms and conditions; viz.:

- 1st. That such license shall authorize him to act as pilot, only on board steam passenger ships, being "Home Trade Ships," and no others; all pilots so licensed being intended to be designated "Watermen Pilots for Home Trade Steam Passenger Ships."
- 2nd. That such license shall not authorize him to supersede, in the charge of any steam passenger ship, any other pilot duly licensed by the Trinity House, for the said navigation between London-bridge and Gravesend.
- 3rd. That he shall be subject to all bye-laws, rules, orders, and regulations made or hereafter to be made by the Trinity House, for the government of pilots generally; and to all penalties thereby imposed and provided, unless specially exempted therefrom.
- 4th. That he shall pay the like sums of money as are payable by pilots licensed for the London District, on their appointment, and on the annual renewal of their licenses; but shall not be required to pay to the Pilot Fund the poundage of sixpence in the pound upon the pilotage earnings of pilots licensed by the Trinity House, as provided by the 385th section of the said Act; nor shall he, or his widow, or children be entitled to any benefit from the said Pilot Fund.