

CUSTOMS AND EXCISE PREVENTIVE STAFF ASSOCIATION.

VOCATIONAL EDUCATION SECTION.

PO/CPO COURSE.

SUPPLEMENTARY PAPER No.2.

MORNING PAPER.

To be answered under Examination conditions.

Time allowed - 2½ hours.

1. You are the C.P.O. in a district which embraces 70 miles of coastline and comprises :
- (a) Your "in residence" port A, which has a large volume of general trade with the continent and is staffed by 8 P.Os. and 10 A.P.Os.
- (b) A coal exporting port B staffed by 3 P.Os. and 3 A.P.Os. on a continuous watch-keeping basis.
- (c) Two "in charge" ports C and D.
- (d) Three C.P.Ms. on motor-cycle patrols and linked with the Preventive Officers at B, C and D.

An official motor car is supplied for general use in Port A.

The local Polish Consular agent informs you that a large fleet of Polish fishing vessels is operating on the fishing grounds about 15 miles from the coast. The fleet consists of about 130 drifters and trawlers, varying in size from 30 to 150 N.R.tons, and they are attended by a "parent" vessel which acts as a supply vessel and receives their catch for transport direct to Poland from the fishing grounds. The fishing fleet will be operating on the fishing grounds for a period of about six weeks in the summer season during which time it is anticipated that the fishing boats will put into the ports in your district at irregular intervals in order to shelter from inclement weather, to give overnight leave to the crews and to carry out essential repairs to the vessels as occasion demands.

The agent is seeking your advice on the Customs formalities to be observed.

Write a report to the Waterguard Superintendent, stating what steps you propose to take to deal with this situation and what advice you gave to the agent.

2. It has been said that the present methods of clearing professional effects and equipment, imported for temporary use in this country, are too complicated and cause delay to business and professional men. The criticism is particularly directed at cases where the articles are being imported by employees who are not the actual owners of the goods.

State the legal position in relation to temporary importation of this kind, outline the present system of control, and give your recommendations as to the procedure to be adopted in the event of control of all such importations being laid to the Waterguard.

SUPPLEMENTARY PAPER NO.2.

AFTERNOON PAPER.

To be answered under Examination conditions.

Time allowed - 1¼ hours.

The United Kingdom Government has stated that it is in favour of the establishment of a Free Trade area in Europe. The scheme envisages the gradual reduction and eventual abolition of protective tariffs amongst the Western European nations.

Examine the effect these proposals would have on the work of the Waterguard service, paying particular attention to any economies in staffing and administration costs which might result.