

16. Before proceeding to act in any case in the performance of his duties, the Port Warden shall give reasonable notice, where practicable, to all parties interested or concerned in the case.

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17. All notices, requests, or requirements to, or from the Port Warden, must be given in writing, and a reasonable time before action is required.

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18. The Port Warden may in any case where he thinks it right and necessary, initiate proceedings, and hold surveys, and obtain process, as if required by the parties concerned under the provisions of this Act,—and whenever the Port Warden is mentioned in any provision of this Act, such provision shall always be understood to apply to any Deputy Port Warden, if there is such.

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19. On the demand of any party interested, the Port Warden shall furnish certificates in writing, under his hand, of any matters of record in his office; he shall also furnish when required, copies of any entries in his books or documents filed in his office, upon payment of a reasonable compensation.

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20. On application, the Port Warden shall supply, to any master of a vessel arriving in the Harbour, a copy of the regulations relating to the office of Port Warden once in each year.

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21. In all matters regarding surveys, and other matters concerning the value, state, or classification of vessels and like subjects, the Port Warden shall conform to, and be governed by the regulations of Lloyd's so far as they are applicable to the circumstances of the case.

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22. Should any dispute arise between the Port Warden and any party interested in any case where his presence has been required, either party may appeal to the council of the board of trade or chamber of commerce, where there is one, and it shall be the duty of the Secretary of such board or chamber, on a requisition being presented to him to that effect, to summon forthwith a meeting of the said council who, or not less than three of them, shall immediately investigate and report on the case submitted to them, and their determination or that of a majority of them, made in writing, shall be final and conclusive.

Disputes
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