

73. A licensee shall be liable to indemnify the Commonwealth and the Postmaster-General against all actions, claims, and demands brought or made by any person against the Commonwealth or the Postmaster-General in respect of any injury arising from any act of the licensee by reason of the exercise of the licence.

#### OFFENCES AGAINST WIRELESS TELEGRAPHY ACT AND REGULATIONS.

74. Except as authorized by or under the Wireless Telegraphy Act, no person shall:—

- (a) establish, erect, maintain, or use any station or appliance for the purpose of transmitting or receiving messages by means of wireless telegraphy; or
- (b) transmit or receive messages by wireless telegraphy.

Penalty.—Five hundred pounds, or imprisonment with or without hard labour for a term not exceeding five years.

75. Any amateur station licensee who contravenes, or fails to comply with any of the provisions of the Wireless Telegraphy Regulations which are applicable to him, or contravenes or fails to comply with any condition of a licence granted to him shall be liable to a penalty of twenty pounds (£20).

#### PART III.—QUALIFICATIONS OF AMATEUR STATION LICENSEES. CERTIFICATES OF PROFICIENCY.

76. A licence to instal and operate an amateur station may not be granted to a person who is not in possession of an Amateur Operator's Certificate of Proficiency, a First or Second Class Aircraft Operator's Certificate of Proficiency or a First or Second Class Commercial Operator's Certificate of Proficiency.

77. An operator's certificate of proficiency may not be issued to a person who has not attained the age of eighteen years.

#### DUPLICATE CERTIFICATE OF PROFICIENCY.

78. In the event of an Amateur Operator's Certificate of Proficiency being lost, mutilated, or destroyed, the owner may obtain a duplicate certificate by making written application to the Chief Inspector (Wireless).

79. In the case of loss or destruction, the application should be accompanied by a Statutory Declaration setting out the circumstances and, where the certificate has been lost, stating whether reasonable attempts have been made to find it and undertaking to return to the Chief Inspector (Wireless) either the original or the duplicate, should the original subsequently be found. The declaration must be signed in the presence of, and witnessed by, a Justice of the Peace or a Commissioner for Declarations. However, where the applicant is a serving member of the Defence Force, the declaration may be made before an officer holding a rank not lower than that of Naval Lieutenant, Army Captain, or Flight-Lieutenant.

80. In the case of mutilation, the mutilated certificate must be forwarded with the application for a duplicate certificate.

81. An issuing fee of 2/6, an autographed head and shoulders photograph about 2 inches by 3 inches, and the following personal particulars must be forwarded with each application for a duplicate certificate:—

- Date and place of birth.
- Height.
- Colour of hair.
- Colour of eyes.
- Complexion.
- Any special peculiarities.

#### EXAMINATIONS.

82. Examinations for the Amateur Operator's Certificate of Proficiency are held on the second Tuesday of January, April, July, and October, of each year, under the conditions indicated in Appendix 1 of this Handbook.