

Wreck and
salvage.

Power to
provide for
investigation
of accidents.

7. Repealed by section 515(1) of the Shipping and Seamen Act of 1952.⁷

8. (1) The Governor-General may, from time to time, by Order in Council, make regulations providing for the investigation of any accident or any unusual or dangerous incident arising out of or in connection with air traffic or air investigation.

(2) Without limiting the generality of the foregoing provisions, regulations under this section may contain provisions—

(a) Requiring notice to be given of any such accident or incident as aforesaid in such manner and by such persons as may be specified in the regulations;

(b) Requiring a report to be made, in such manner and by such persons as may be specified in the regulations, of any mechanical or structural defect discovered during the operation of any aircraft;

(c) Prohibiting, pending investigation, access to or interference with aircraft to which an accident has occurred, and authorizing any person, so far as may be necessary for the purposes of an investigation, to have access to, examine, remove, take measures for the preservation of, or otherwise deal with any such aircraft;

(d) Conferring on any person holding an investigation under the regulations the rights and powers of a Commission appointed under the Commissions of Inquiry Act, 1908, and applying all or any of the provisions of that Act accordingly;

(e) Authorizing or requiring the cancellation, revocation, suspension, endorsement, or surrender of any licence or certificate granted under this Act or under any Proclamation, Order in Council, or regulations made thereunder, where it appears on an investigation that the licence or certificate ought to be cancelled, revoked, suspended, endorsed, or surrendered, and for the production of any such licence or certificate for the purpose of being so dealt with.

(3) If any person contravenes or fails to comply with any regulations under this section he shall be liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding two hundred pounds or to imprisonment for a term not exceeding six months.

9. (1) Any Proclamation, Order in Council, or regulations under this Act may apply generally throughout New Zealand, or within any specified part or parts thereof, and may apply to all aircraft or to any specified class or classes of aircraft.

General provision as to
Orders in
Council, &c.

⁷ As to wreck and salvage of aircraft: Part IX, Shipping and Seamen Act 1952. Assistance to aircraft: *ibid.* section 510. Removal of wreck, see also Harbours Act 1950, section 208.