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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**1996 No. 1632**

**The Deregulation and Contracting  
Out (Northern Ireland) Order 1996**

**PART II**

**DEREGULATION**

*Miscellaneous deregulatory provisions*

**Horticultural produce: repeal of licensing provisions, etc.**

- 3.**—(1) The Horticulture Act (Northern Ireland) 1966 is amended as follows.
- (2) The following provisions are omitted—
- (a) sections 11 and 12 (licences required for processing horticultural produce);
  - (b) section 13 (regulations as to standards of quality, etc. of horticultural produce processed in Northern Ireland);
  - (c) section 14 (related offences);
  - (d) Part III (restrictions on sending certain horticultural produce out of Northern Ireland);
  - (e) sections 28 to 30 (ancillary provisions and exemptions);
  - (f) section 35(2)(b) and (c) (part of definition of “horticultural produce”);
  - (g) section 37 (repeals);
  - (h) the Schedule (provisions about licences).
- (3) In section 33(3), for “Food and Drugs Act (Northern Ireland) 1958” substitute “Food Safety (Northern Ireland) Order 1991”.
- (4) In section 35(2), for “24 to 30” substitute “24 to 27”.
- (5) In section 36—
- (a) in paragraph (a), for “Destructive Insects and Pests Acts (Northern Ireland) 1877 to 1934” substitute “Plant Health Act (Northern Ireland) 1967”.
  - (b) in paragraph (b), for “Food and Drugs Act (Northern Ireland) 1958” substitute “Food Safety (Northern Ireland) Order 1991”.

**Repeal of Arts. 20(S), 22(10) of Weights and Measures (Northern Ireland) Order 1981**

- 4.** Articles 20(5) and 22(10) of the Weights and Measures (Northern Ireland) Order 1981 (under which the gas in foam on beer or cider is to be disregarded for certain purposes) are omitted.

**Repeal of Auctions (Local Control) Act (Northern Ireland) 1957**

- 5.** The Auctions (Local Control) Act (Northern Ireland) 1957 is repealed.

**Sunday Observance Act (Ireland) 1695: exclusion of sports, etc.**

6.—(1) The Sunday Observance Act (Ireland) 1695 does not apply to any person by reason of his taking part in, or doing anything in connection-with, any sport or recreation, or any similar activity.

(2) In section 3 of that Act (hurling, football and other sports prohibited on Sunday), omit from the beginning to “conviction shall be: and that”.

**Totalisators on licensed trucks: deductions, etc.**

7. In Schedule 8 to the Betting, Gaming, Lotteries and Amusements (Northern Ireland) Order 1985, in paragraph 3 (totalisator operators must post a notice on licensed tracks which must specify the percentage, not exceeding 17; per cent. or that specified by the Department of Health and Social Services by order, deducted by them from amounts staked using totalisators)—

- (a) after “licensed track” insert “or, where bets may be made by means of the totalisator in more than one distinct area of the track, in each such area”;
- (b) after “a notice” insert “in easily legible print”;
- (c) after “specify” insert “prominently”; and
- (d) from “not exceeding 17 f per cent.” to “by order” is omitted.

**Taxi drivers — tests of competence, etc.**

8. In Article 79A(3)(b)(ii) of the Road Traffic (Northern Ireland) Order 1981 (taxi driver’s licence not to be granted unless the applicant passes such test of driving competence to drive a vehicle of the type for which the licence is required and meets such other requirements as may be prescribed), from “passes” to “required and” is omitted.