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EXPLOSIVES**Control of Potassium Nitrate: Sodium Nitrate****Explosives Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1974***Made* 28th February 1974*Coming into operation* 2nd April 1974*To be laid before Parliament.*

REGULATIONS, DATED 28TH FEBRUARY 1974, MADE BY THE SECRETARY OF STATE UNDER THE EXPLOSIVES ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND) 1970 AND THE EXPLOSIVES (NORTHERN IRELAND) ORDER 1972.

WHEREAS it appears to me that the substances specified in these Regulations are likely to be used whether by themselves or in combination with other things for unlawful purposes as explosives:

NOW, THEREFORE, in pursuance of section 3 of the Explosives Act (Northern Ireland) 1970(a) and Article 3 of the Explosives (Northern Ireland) Order 1972(b), I hereby make the following Regulations:—

Citation and commencement

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Explosives Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1974 and shall come into operation on 2nd April 1974.

Control of potassium nitrate and sodium nitrate

2. Subject to Regulation 3, a person shall not manufacture, sell, acquire, transfer, store, transport, handle, use or dispose of—

- (a) potassium nitrate or any mixture or solution which contains potassium nitrate in combination with any other substance or substances; or
- (b) sodium nitrate, or any mixture or solution which contains sodium nitrate in combination with any other substance or substances,

except under and in accordance with the terms of a licence from the Secretary of State.

Exemptions

3. These Regulations shall not have effect in relation to—

- (a) pest-fumigants; or
- (b) any other manufactured goods containing not more than 5 per cent by weight of potassium nitrate or sodium nitrate or these substances in combination.

Northern Ireland Office
28th February 1974

Francis Pym,
One of Her Majesty's Principal
Secretaries of State.

(a) 1970. c. 10 (N.I.).

(b) S.I. 1972, No. 730 (N.I. 3).

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations, but is intended to indicate their general purport.)

With effect from 2nd April 1974, these Regulations make it an offence for anyone to manufacture, sell, acquire, transfer, store, transport, handle, use, or dispose of potassium nitrate or sodium nitrate or any mixture or solution containing these substances, except under licence from the Secretary of State. These Regulations do not apply in the cases specified in Regulation 3.