

1975 No. 311

WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

Weights and Measures (Dried Vegetables) Order (Northern Ireland) 1975

Made 10th November 1975

Coming into operation 1st April 1976

To be laid before Parliament under paragraph 3(3) of
Schedule 1 to the Northern Ireland Act 1974

The Department(a) of Commerce, after consultation with such organisations as appear to it to be representative of interests substantially affected by this Order and consideration of the representations made to it by such organisations with respect to the subject matter of this Order, in exercise of the powers conferred on it by section 15(2) and (3) of the Weights and Measures Act (Northern Ireland) 1967(b) (hereinafter referred to as "the Act") and of every other power enabling it in that behalf, hereby makes the following Order:

Citation, commencement and interpretation

1.—(1) This Order may be cited as the Weights and Measures (Dried Vegetables) Order (Northern Ireland) 1975 and shall come into operation on 1st April 1976.

(2) In this Order "dried vegetables" means dried vegetables of any of the following descriptions, that is to say, beans, lentils and peas (including split peas).

Revocation

2. Part VIII of Schedule 2 to the Act shall cease to apply to dried vegetables.

Control of sale

3. Dried vegetables which are not pre-packed shall be sold by retail only by net weight.

4. Dried vegetables shall be pre-packed—

(a) except where made up in a quantity not exceeding 100g or exceeding 10kg, only if they are made up in one of the following quantities by net weight, that is to say—

(i) 4 oz, 8 oz, 12 oz, 1lb, 1½lb, or a multiple of 1lb; or

(ii) 125g, 250g, 375g, 500g, 1 kg or a multiple of 1 kg, and

(b) only if the container is marked with an indication of quantity by net weight.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of Commerce for Northern Ireland on 10th November 1975.

(L.S.)

Ernest Simpson
Assistant Secretary

(a) Formerly Ministry: see 1973 c. 36 s. 40 and Sch. 5 paragraph 8(1)

(b) 1967 c. 6 (N.I.)

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order but is intended to indicate its general purport.)

This Order provides that Part VIII of Schedule 2 to the Weights and Measures Act (Northern Ireland) 1967 shall cease to apply to dried vegetables on 1st April 1976. when the provisions of that Part are replaced by those of this Order.

Dried vegetables, that is, beans, lentils and peas (including split peas), may be pre-packed only in a prescribed range of imperial or metric weights. The reference to metric units is new.