

1975 No. 312

WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

**Weights and Measures (Flour and Flour Products) Order
(Northern Ireland) 1975***Made* 10th November 1975*Coming into operation* 1st July 1977*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 and commencement

1. This Order may be cited as the Weights and Measures (Flour and Flour Products) Order (Northern Ireland) 1975 and shall come into operation on 1st July 1977.

Revocation and application

2.—(1) Part VIII of Schedule 2 to the Act shall cease to apply to flour and flour products to which this Order applies.

(2) This Order applies to—

- (a) flour of bean, maize, pea, rice, rye, soya bean or wheat; and
- (b) flour products of any of the following descriptions, that is to say—
 - (i) cake flour, other than cake mixtures and sponge mixtures;
 - (ii) cornflour, other than blancmange powders and custard powders;
 - (iii) self-raising flour.

Control of sale

3. Flour and flour products to which this Order applies which are not prepacked shall be sold by retail only by net weight.

4. Such flour and flour products shall be pre-packed—

- (a) except where made up in a quantity not exceeding 50g or in quantity exceeding 10kg, only if made up on one of the following quantities by net weight, that is to say—
 - (i) 4oz, 8oz, 12oz, 1lb, 1½lb, or a multiple of 1lb; or
 - (ii) 125g, 250g, 500g or a multiple of 500g and, in the case of corn-flour, in addition 375g and 750g; and

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

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

(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

EXPLANATORY NOTE

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

The provisions of this Order replace, on 1st July 1977, those of Part VIII of Schedule 2 to the Weights and Measures Act (Northern Ireland) 1967, in relation to flour and flour products (other than flour of oats).

Such flour and flour products may be pre-packed only in a prescribed range of imperial and metric weights. The reference to metric units is new.