

1976 No. 289

WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

**Weights and Measures (Beer and Cider) (Exemption) Order
(Northern Ireland) 1976***Made 4th October 1976**Coming into operation 31st December 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(5) of the Weights and Measures Act (Northern Ireland) 1967(b) 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 (Beer and Cider) (Exemption) Order (Northern Ireland) 1976 and shall come into operation on 31st December 1976.

Exemption and Control of Sale

2. Paragraph 2(b) of Part VI of Schedule 2 to the Weights and Measures Act (Northern Ireland) 1967 (which requires that beer or cider sold for consumption on the premises, and not sold in a closed container or as part of a mixture of liquids, be sold in a capacity measure) shall not apply where,

- (i) the quantity of the liquor the subject of the sale is ascertained by means of a measuring instrument stamped in accordance with Regulation 16 of the Measuring Instruments (Intoxicating Liquor) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1967(c);
- (ii) the liquor in question is delivered directly from the measuring instrument into the container in which it is intended the buyer should receive it;
- (iii) the liquor in question is so delivered after the buyer has ordered it;
- (iv) the measuring instrument (or that part of it from which the liquor is delivered) is installed in such a position that the delivery of the liquor into the container can readily be seen by customers in that part of the premises where the buyer ordered the liquor.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of Commerce for Northern Ireland on 4th October 1976.

(L.S.)

W. T. McCrory

Assistant Secretary

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

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

(c) S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1967 No. 230 (p. 812)

EXPLANATORY NOTE

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

This Order which is made under the Weights and Measures Act (Northern Ireland) 1967 affords an exemption from the requirement that draught beer or cider sold for consumption on the premises must be sold in a capacity measure—in effect, in a stamped glass or mug.

The exemption only applies where the liquor is measured by an instrument which is designed to dispense a pre-determined quantity and which has been duly stamped by an inspector of weights and measures. The measuring instrument must be installed in such a position as will readily allow customers to see their liquor being dispensed.