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SCHEDULES

SCHEDULE 1

UNHALLMARKED ARTICLES

PART II

EXEMPTED ARTICLES

Articles exempt if of minimum fineness

- [^{F1}10 Any article which—
- (a) is wholly or mainly of gold or of silver or of gold and silver assaying in all its gold parts not less than 375 parts per thousand and in all its silver parts less than 800 parts per thousand; and
 - (b) was manufactured before the year 1900 and has not since the beginning of the year 1900 been the subject of any alteration which would be an improper alteration if the article had previously borne approved hallmarks.]

Textual Amendments

F1 Para. 10 substituted by S.I. 1975/1883, Sch. para. 2

- 11 [^{F2}Subject to paragraph 14AA below,] any musical instrument, where the description is applied to the mouthpiece, and the mouthpiece is of minimum fineness.

Textual Amendments

F2 Words inserted by S.I. 1986/1758, art. 2(a)

- [^{F3}12 (1) [^{F4}Subject to paragraph 14AA and]] subject to the provisions of this paragraph, any article containing only one precious metal, being a metal of minimum fineness and of a weight less than that specified in the following table:

gold	1 gram
silver	7·78 grams
platinum	0·5 gram.

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- (2) This paragraph does not apply to any article containing materials other than precious metal, unless the article satisfies the conditions for hallmarking of Part III of Schedule 2 to this Act.

Textual Amendments

- F3** Para. 12 substituted by [S.I. 1982/256, art. 2](#)
F4 Words inserted by [S.I. 1986/1758, art. 2\(b\)](#)

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- [^{F5}12A(1) Subject to paragraph 14AA, any article—
- (a) which contains silver of minimum fineness, and
 - (b) in which the total weight of the metal is less than 7.78 grams.
- (2) This paragraph does not apply to any article—
- (a) which contains gold, or platinum, of the minimum fineness,
 - (b) which contains any precious metal that is not of the minimum fineness, or
 - (c) which contains materials other than precious metal, unless the article satisfies the conditions for hallmarking of Part 3 of Schedule 2 to this Act.

Textual Amendments

- F5** Sch. 1 Pt. 2 paras. 12A-12C inserted (1.10.2007) by [The Hallmarking Act 1973 \(Exemption\) \(Amendment No. 2\) Order 2007 \(S.I. 2007/2493\), art. 2\(4\)](#)

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- 12B (1) Subject to paragraph 14AA, any article—
- (a) which contains gold of minimum fineness, and
 - (b) in which the total weight of the metal is less than 1 gram.
- (2) This paragraph does not apply to any article—
- (a) which contains platinum of the minimum fineness, or
 - (b) which contains any precious metal that is not of the minimum fineness, or
 - (c) which contains materials other than precious metal, unless the article satisfies the conditions for hallmarking of Part 3 of Schedule 2 to this Act.

Textual Amendments

- F5** Sch. 1 Pt. 2 paras. 12A-12C inserted (1.10.2007) by [The Hallmarking Act 1973 \(Exemption\) \(Amendment No. 2\) Order 2007 \(S.I. 2007/2493\), art. 2\(4\)](#)

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- 12C (1) Subject to paragraph 14AA, any article—

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- (a) which contains platinum of minimum fineness, and
- (b) in which the total weight of the metal is less than 0.5 gram.

(2) This paragraph does not apply to any article—

- (a) which contains any precious metal that is not of the minimum fineness, or
- (b) which contains materials other than precious metal, unless the article satisfies the conditions for hallmarking of Part 3 of Schedule 2 to this Act.]

Textual Amendments

F5 Sch. 1 Pt. 2 paras. 12A-12C inserted (1.10.2007) by [The Hallmarking Act 1973 \(Exemption\) \(Amendment No. 2\) Order 2007 \(S.I. 2007/2493\)](#), [art. 2\(4\)](#)

[^{F6}13 [^{F7}Subject to paragraph 14AA below,]] any article [^{F8}, except an article made of chainwork,] which is wholly of one or more precious metals of minimum fineness and which is so small or thin that it cannot be hallmarked.

Textual Amendments

F6 [Para. 13](#) substituted by [S.I. 1975/1883](#), [Sch. para. 4](#)
F7 Words inserted by [S.I. 1986/1758](#), [art. 2\(a\)\(c\)](#)
F8 Words added by [S.I. 1986/1758](#), [art. 2\(a\)\(c\)](#)

14 [^{F9}Subject to paragraph 14AA below,] any article which is of minimum fineness and which is imported temporarily (whether as a trade sample, or as intended for exhibition otherwise) and for the time being remains under the control of the Commissioners of Customs and Excise.

Textual Amendments

F9 Words inserted by [S.I. 1986/1758](#), [art. 2\(a\)](#)

[^{F10}14A(1) [^{F11}Subject to paragraph 14AA and]] subject to the provisions of this paragraph, any article, any precious metal in which is of minimum fineness, and which either—

- (a) contains gold and platinum but not silver, and the weight of the gold parts of which exceeds 50 per cent. of the total weight of the precious metals in the article, that total weight being less than 1 gram; or
- (b) contains silver and either gold or platinum or both gold and platinum, and the weight of the silver parts of which exceeds 50 per cent. of the total weight of the precious metals in the article, that total weight being less than 7.78 gra

(2) This paragraph does not apply to any article containing materials other than precious metal, unless the article satisfies the conditions for hallmarking of Part III of Schedule 2 to this Act.

Textual Amendments

F10 [Para. 14A](#) substituted by [S.I. 1982/256](#), [art. 2](#)

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F11 Words inserted by [S.I. 1986/1758, art. 2\(b\)](#)

[^{F12F13}14AA Paragraphs 11 to 14A above do not apply to any article in which solder containing precious metal is used unless the solder is of a standard of fineness equivalent to that which would be required under section 4(3) of this Act if the article were submitted to an assay office for hallmarking.]

Textual Amendments

F12 [Sch. 1 Pt. II para. 14AA](#) inserted by [S.I. 1986/1758, art. 2\(d\)](#)

F13 [Sch. 1 Pt. II para. 14AA](#) inserted by [S.I. 1986/1758, art. 2\(d\)](#)

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Textual Amendments

F14 [Sch. 1 Pt. II para. 14B](#) repealed by [S.I. 1982/256, art. 3](#)

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