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SCHEDULES

SCHEDULE 2 **U.K.**

APPROVED HALLMARKS

[^{F1}PART 3 **U.K.**

ARTICLES COMPRISED OF PRECIOUS METAL PARTS AND OTHER MATERIALS

Textual Amendments

F1 Sch. 2 Pts. 2, 3 substituted (6.4.2007) by [The Hallmarking Act 1973 \(Amendment\) Regulations 2007 \(S.I. 2007/872\)](#), reg. 2(6), [Sch.](#)

- 16 (1) A mixed material article shall not be hallmarked unless, upon assay, each precious metal is of a standard of fineness not less than the minimum fineness for that precious metal and sub-paragraph (2) or (3) applies.
- (2) If the article includes base metal the base metal part must be clearly distinguishable in appearance (either by the colour of that part or by having struck on it the name of that metal, or the word “metal”, in a manner which complies with any regulations made by the Council) from any precious metal.
- (3) If the article does not include base metal the condition in sub-paragraph (4) or (5) must apply.
- (4) The condition in this sub-paragraph is that—
- (a) the other materials must be clearly distinguishable from any precious metal part,
 - (b) they must not be plated so as to resemble any precious metal or be of a colour which resembles any precious metal,
 - (c) their extent must be clearly visible, and
 - (d) the precious metal part must be of a thickness of not less than 100 micrometres.
- (5) The condition in this sub-paragraph is that in respect of any article in which the other materials are wholly or mainly enclosed by precious metal—
- (a) the article has been so manufactured as to be capable of being hallmarked before it is filled, and
 - (b) there has been struck on the article the word “filled” in a manner which complies with any regulations made by the Council.
- (6) Paragraph (b) of sub-paragraph (5) does not apply in the case of the handle to a knife, fork or spoon if the quantity of filling in the handle is not more than is necessary for joining.

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- 17 A mixed material article with only a single precious metal part shall be hallmarked on the precious metal part as if it were a separate article.
- 18 A mixed material article comprised of two or more precious metal parts shall be hallmarked on a precious metal part in accordance with Part 2.
- 19 For the purposes of this Part—
- (a) “base metal” means any metal other than gold, silver [^{F2}, platinum or palladium], and
 - (b) “mixed material article” means an article comprised of one or more precious metal parts and one or more other materials.]

Textual Amendments

- F2** Words in Sch. 2 Pt. 3 para. 19(a) substituted (22.7.2009) by [Hallmarking Act 1973 \(Application to Palladium\) Order 2009 \(S.I. 2009/2040\)](#), art. 1, [Sch. para. 7\(7\)](#)

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