

# Companies Act 1976

### **1976 CHAPTER 69**

#### PART II

MISCELLANEOUS AND SUPPLEMENTARY

Forms, etc.

### 34 Use of prescribed forms for notices, etc. under Acts of 1948 and 1967

- (1) The provisions of the Acts of 1948 and 1967 specified in Schedule 1 to this Act shall have effect subject to the amendments there specified, being amendments requiring the use of prescribed forms for the purposes of those provisions.
- (2) In so far as any of the forms set out in the Schedule to the Companies (Forms) Order 1949 are forms provided for the purposes of any of the provisions specified in Schedule 1 to this Act, they shall be treated as from the coming into operation of this section as being prescribed by that Order in pursuance of those provisions as amended by Schedule 1.

# 35 Size, durability and legibility of documents delivered to registrar

- (1) For the purposes of securing that documents delivered to the registrar of companies under the provisions of the Companies Acts are of standard size, durable and easily legible, regulations made by the Secretary of State by statutory instrument may prescribe such requirements (whether as to size, weight, quality or colour of paper, size, type or colouring of lettering, or otherwise) as he may consider appropriate; and different requirements may be so prescribed for different documents or classes of documents.
- (2) If under any such provision there is delivered to the registrar of companies a document (whether being an original document or a copy) which in the opinion of the registrar does not comply with such requirements prescribed under this section as are applicable to it, the registrar may serve on any person by whom under that provision the document was required to be delivered (or, if there are two or more such persons, may serve on

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- any of them) a notice stating his opinion to that effect and indicating the requirements so prescribed with which in his opinion the document does not comply.
- (3) Where the registrar of companies serves a notice under subsection (2) above with respect to a document delivered under any such provision, then, for the purposes of any enactment which enables a penalty to be imposed in respect of any omission to deliver to the registrar of companies a document required to be delivered under that provision (and, in particular, for the purposes of any such enactment whereby such a penalty may be imposed by reference to each day during which the omission continues)—
  - (a) any duty imposed by that provision to deliver such a document to the registrar shall be treated as not having been discharged by the delivery of that document; but
  - (b) no account shall be taken of any days falling within the period mentioned in subsection (4) below.
- (4) The period referred to in subsection (3)(b) above is the period beginning with the day on which the document was delivered to the registrar as mentioned in subsection (2) above and ending with the fourteenth day after the date of service of the notice under subsection (2) above by virtue of which subsection (3) above applies.
- (5) In this section any reference to delivering a document shall be construed as including a reference to sending, forwarding, producing or (in the case of a notice) giving it.

## Power of registrar to accept information on microfilm, etc.

- (1) The registrar of companies may, if he thinks fit, accept under any provision of the Companies Acts requiring a : document to be delivered to him any material other than a document which contains the information in question and is of a kind approved by him.
- (2) The delivery to the registrar of material accepted by him as aforesaid shall be a sufficient compliance with the provision in question.
- (3) Section 426 of the Act of 1948 (inspection, production and evidence of documents kept by the registrar) shall have effect as if any material so accepted were a document kept by the registrar.
- (4) In this section any reference to delivering a document shall be construed as including a reference to sending, forwarding, producing or (in the case of a notice) giving it.