
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1950 No. 65

The Pottery (Health and Welfare) Special Regulations 1950

General Suppression of Dust

29.—(1) The following requirements (which shall be without prejudice to any other requirement of these Regulations) shall apply to potters' shops and to any place where clay is dried or clay dust is prepared:—

- (a) All parts of beams, ledges and fixtures more than seven feet six inches above the floor shall be cleaned at least once in every period of fourteen months.
- (b) All parts of beams, ledges, fixtures, shelving and furniture not more than seven feet six inches above the floor shall be cleaned:—
 - (i) in factories or parts of factories in which sanitary fireclay ware or flintless stoneware is made, at least once in every period of fourteen months:
Provided that the cleaning shall be done at least once in every period of three months in any factory or part of a factory in respect of which the Inspector for the District has issued and there remains in force a certificate that this is in his opinion needed;
 - (ii) in factories or parts of factories other than those included in sub-paragraph (i) above, at least once in every period of three months.
- (c) The cleaning required by sub-paragraphs (a) and (b) of this paragraph shall be done:—
 - (i) by adult males nominated by the occupier for the purpose, and
 - (ii) with an efficient vacuum cleaning apparatus or by some other effective and suitable method, and not by sweeping.
- (d) A record of the dates and particulars of such cleaning shall be kept in a form approved in writing by the Chief Inspector.

(2) All practicable means shall be adopted, by damping or otherwise, to prevent dust arising during the handling of shraff, scrap or other waste material.

(3) Every worker shall so conduct his or her work as to avoid, so far as practicable, creating or scattering dust, scrap or refuse or causing accumulations thereof.

(4) All material for thimble picking which is collected from floors or work-benches shall be riddled in an enclosed receptacle before it is taken to the place where the thimble picking is to be done.