
 STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1977 No. 1220

COUNTER-INFLATION
**The Prices and Charges (Adaptation of the
Counter-Inflation Act 1973)
Regulations 1977**

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The Secretary of State, in exercise of the powers conferred on him by Sections 15(4) and 22(3) of, and paragraph 8 of Schedule 2 to, the Price Commission Act 1977(a) and of all other powers enabling him in that behalf, hereby makes the following Regulations:—

Citation, commencement and interpretation

1.—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the Prices and Charges (Adaptation of the Counter-Inflation Act 1973) Regulations 1977 and shall come into operation on 1st August 1977.

(2) The Interpretation Act 1889(b) shall apply for the interpretation of these Regulations as it applies for the interpretation of an Act of Parliament.

Adaptation of the Counter-Inflation Act 1973

2. The Counter-Inflation Act 1973(c) as amended(d) is hereby varied—

(a) in Schedule 3—

(i) in paragraph 2(1) by the insertion after “Act” of “and sections 4 to 9 of the Price Commission Act 1977 (in this Part of this Schedule and in Schedule 4 referred to as “the 1977 Act”)” and by the insertion at the end of “Provided that nothing in this sub-paragraph shall be construed as requiring the Commission to give a copy of a notification under subsection (2) of section 4 or of section 5 of the 1977 Act—

(i) in relation to an investigation pursuant to a notification by the Commission under subsection (1) of the said section 4, to any person other than the person who gave notice of the proposed increase under section 5 of this Act to which the investigation relates, and

(ii) in relation to an investigation pursuant to a notification by the Commission under subsection (1) of the said section 5, to more than one person,

or to require the Commission to give any notice or a copy of any report, or the Secretary of State to give any notice, to any other person.”,

(a) 1977 c. 33.

(b) 1889 c. 63.

(c) 1973 c. 9.

(d) See S.I. 1974/1218 (1974 II, p. 4631) and 1977 c. 33.

- (ii) in paragraph 2(2), by the insertion after “Act” of “and sections 7, 12 and 13 of the 1977 Act, a variation notice given under subsection (5) of section 4 of that Act or under that subsection as applied by section 5(4) of that Act, any recommendation included in a report by the Commission in pursuance of section 6(5)(b) of that Act and regulations under section 9 of that Act” and by the substitution for “or notice” where it last occurs of “notice, recommendation or regulations”,
 - (iii) by the insertion after sub-paragraph (2) of paragraph 2 of the following sub-paragraph—
 - “(3) For the purposes of section 15(3) of the 1977 Act, “employer” includes any person with whom under sub-paragraph (1) above the employer is to be treated as one.”,
 - (iv) in paragraph 3(1), by the insertion after “Part II” of “of this Act (including a notice under section 5 of this Act as applied by section 4(2)(b) of the 1977 Act), subsection (5)(a) of section 7 of that Act or section 13 of that Act or by virtue of section 5(3)(a) of that Act or subsection (1) of the said section 7”,
 - (v) in paragraph 3(2), by the insertion after “charge” where it first occurs of “or of any restriction imposed by virtue of section 5(3)(a) of the 1977 Act or of subsection (1) of the said section 7”,
 - (vi) in paragraph 5(1), by the insertion after “Act” of “or the 1977 Act or in which any notification or report or copy of a notification or report is to be given under that Act”,
 - (vii) in paragraph 5(2)(a), by the insertion after “Act” of “or notification, notice, undertaking or direction under the 1977 Act”,
 - (viii) in paragraph 5(2)(b), by the insertion after “Act” of “or notice under section 13 of the 1977 Act”,
 - (ix) in paragraph 5(3), by the insertion after “Act” of “or notice under section 13 of the 1977 Act”,
 - (x) in paragraph 7, by the insertion after “Act” in the first place where it occurs of “or of the 1977 Act” and after “Act” in the second place where it occurs of “or the 1977 Act, as the case may be.”;
- (b) in Schedule 4—
- (i) in paragraph 1, by the insertion after sub-paragraph (4) of the following sub-paragraph—
 - “(5) An authority specified in an order under section 12 of the 1977 Act in pursuance of subsection (6)(c) of that section may in relation to a notice under section 13 of that Act make, or may authorise any of its officers to make on its behalf, any purchase of goods, and may authorise any of its officers to obtain any services.”,
 - (ii) in paragraph 2(1), by the insertion after “Act” of “or the 1977 Act”,

(iii) in paragraph 3, by the insertion after sub-paragraph (5) of the following sub-paragraph—

“(6) This paragraph shall have effect in relation to a notice under section 13 of the 1977 Act as it has effect in relation to a notice under section 6 of this Act and, in relation to a notice under the said section 13, as if references to a duly authorised officer of a local weights and measures authority were references to a duly authorised officer of an authority specified in an order under section 12 of the 1977 Act in pursuance of subsection (6)(c) of that section.”,

(iv) in paragraph 5(1), by the insertion after “Act” of “or of the 1977 Act”.

26th July 1977.

Roy Hattersley,
Secretary of State for
Prices and Consumer Protection.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Regulations.)

These Regulations modify certain provisions of the Counter-Inflation Act 1973 to apply them for the purposes of the Price Commission Act 1977. The provisions concerned treat as one person certain different persons who are closely connected with one another, the validity of transactions affected by the operation of the 1977 Act, procedural matters relating to notices and orders, consultation in relation to statutory instruments where consultation has been conducted before the 1977 Act came into operation and enforcement of provisions of the 1977 Act.

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