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LICENSING (LIQUOR)

The Licensing (Scotland) Act 1976 Amendment
Regulations 1979

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Coming into Operation 1st January 1980

In exercise of the powers conferred upon me by section 2(2) of the European Communities Act 1972(a) and of all other powers enabling me in that behalf, and being the designated Minister in relation to the method of determining or expressing alcoholic strength(b) I hereby make the following regulations:

1. These regulations may be cited as the Licensing (Scotland) Act 1976 Amendment Regulations 1979 and shall come into operation on 1st January 1980.

2. In these regulations "the principal Act" means the Licensing (Scotland) Act 1976(c).

3.—(1) Section 123(1) of the principal Act shall be amended by the substitution in paragraph (a) for the words "(computed as proof spirit)" of the words "of a strength of 57% of ethyl alcohol by volume (at a temperature of 20 degrees Celsius)".

(2) Section 139(1) of the principal Act shall be amended by the substitution in the definition of "alcoholic liquor" for the words "2 degrees of proof" where they occur, of the words "1.2% of ethyl alcohol by volume (at a temperature of 20 degrees Celsius)".

George Younger,
One of Her Majesty's Principal
Secretaries of State.

New St. Andrew's House,
Edinburgh.
21st December 1979.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Regulations.)

These Regulations amend sections 123(1) and 139(1) of the Licensing (Scotland) Act 1976 by replacing the reference to proof spirit and degrees of proof respectively with the reference to the quantity of alcohol contained in the liquor calculated as a percentage of the volume of the liquor, so as to conform with Council Directive No. 76/766/EC(O.J. No. L262, 27.9.1976, P.149), which relates to the method of determining or expressing the alcoholic strength of mixtures of water and ethanol.

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