
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1994 No. 2867

The Units of Measurement Regulations 1994

Amendment of the Act etc in 1995

6.—(1) On 1st October 1995 the Act shall be amended as follows.

(2) In section 1 (units of measurement)—

- (a) at the beginning of subsection (1) there shall be inserted “Subject to subsection (6) below,”;
- (b) for subsection (4) there shall be substituted—

“(4) Without prejudice to section 8(6)(b) below an order under subsection (3) above shall not remove the pint from Part IV of Schedule 1.”; and

(c) after subsection (5) there shall be added—

“(6) Subsection (1) above shall not have effect so as to authorise the use in the specified circumstances of—

- (a) the yard as a measurement of length, or
- (b) the pound as a measurement of mass,

otherwise than in accordance with Regulation 7 of the Units of Measurement Regulations 1986 (supplementary indications) or, in the case of the pound, in accordance with section 8(2)(f)(1) below (which permits the pound to be used for the purposes of the sale of goods loose from bulk).

(7) In subsection (6) above “the specified circumstances” has the same meaning as in the Units of Measurement Regulations 1986, that is to say the circumstances specified in Article 2(a) of Council Directive No. [80/181/EEC](#) as limited by the provisions of Article 2(b) of that Directive.”.

(3) In section 3(2) (Department of Trade and Industry secondary standards) for “one gallon” there shall be substituted “8 pints”.

(4) In section 27 (exemption from requirement to state quantity of goods sold in writing) in subsection (2)(a)—

- (a) in sub-paragraph (i) for “224 pounds” there shall be substituted “110 kilograms”; and
- (b) in sub-paragraph (ii) for “five gallons” there shall be substituted “25 litres”.

(5) In Schedule 1 (definitions of units of measurement)—

- (a) in Parts I and II the entries for imperial units shall be omitted;
- (b) in Part IV—
 - (i) the definitions of the gallon, quart and gill shall be omitted; and
 - (ii) for the definition of the pint there shall be substituted—

“PINT = 0.568 261 25 cubic decimetre.”; and

(1) Section 8(2)(f) is inserted in the Act by article 3(2) of the Weights and Measures Act 1985 (Metrication) (Amendment) Order 1994 (S.I. 1994/2866).

- (c) for Part VI there shall be substituted the Part VI set out in the Schedule to these Regulations.
- (6) In Schedule 5 (transactions in solid fuel)—
 - (a) in paragraph 9(a) for “224 pounds” there shall be substituted “100 kilograms”; and
 - (b) in paragraph 28(1)(a) for “224 million pounds” there shall be substituted “101,600 tonnes”.
- (7) In Schedule 11 (transitional provisions and savings)—
 - (a) for paragraph 25 there shall be substituted—
 - “**25.** In any of the following, namely—
 - (a) any byelaw made under paragraph 5 of Schedule 6 to the 1963 Act (including that paragraph as extended to wood fuel by paragraph 4 of Part IV of Schedule 7 to that Act),
 - (b) any byelaw made under paragraph 2 of Part IV of Schedule 7 to that Act, and
 - (c) any byelaw made under any enactment repealed by that Act, where the byelaw is continued in force by virtue of paragraph 5(2) of Schedule 6 to that Act,references to a ton, half a ton, two hundredweights, a hundredweight, a quarter or a stone (or to the equivalent number of pounds in the case of each of those quantities) shall be construed as references to 1000, 500, 100, 50, 15 or 7.5 kilograms respectively.”; and
 - (b) after paragraph 25 there shall be added—
 - “**26.** Where any byelaw to which paragraph 25 above applies contains a requirement not only to mark a price clearly and legibly but to mark it in figures of at least three inches in height, the reference to three inches shall be construed as a reference to 7.5 centimetres.”.
- (8) In any of the following namely—
 - (a) any byelaw made under paragraph 9 of Schedule 5 to the Act (including that paragraph as extended to wood fuel by paragraph 14 Schedule 6 to the Act); and
 - (b) any byelaw made under paragraph 12 of Schedule 6 to the Act,references to 1120, 224 or 14 pounds shall be construed as references to 500, 100 or 7.5 kilograms respectively; and where any such byelaw contains a requirement not only to mark a price clearly and legibly but to mark it in figures of at least three inches in height, the references to three inches shall be construed as a reference to 7.5 centimetres.