#### STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

## 2013 No. 233

# The Timber and Timber Products (Placing on the Market) Regulations 2013

### PART 2

#### Offences

#### Offences by bodies corporate, partnerships and unincorporated associations

**6.**—(1) Proceedings for an offence under these Regulations alleged to have been committed by a partnership or unincorporated association may be brought against the partnership or association in the name of the partnership or association.

(2) For the purposes of such proceedings—

- (a) rules of court relating to the service of documents have effect as if the partnership or association were a body corporate, and
- (b) the following provisions apply as they apply in relation to a body corporate—
  - (i) section 33 of the Criminal Justice Act 1925(1) (procedure on charge of offence against corporation) and Schedule 3 to the Magistrates' Courts Act 1980(2) (corporations), and
  - (ii) section 18 of the Criminal Justice Act (Northern Ireland) 1945(3) (procedure on charge) and Schedule 4 to the Magistrates' Courts (Northern Ireland) Order 1981(4) (corporations).

(3) A fine imposed on a partnership or association on its conviction of an offence under these Regulations is to be paid out of the funds of the partnership or association.

- (4) If an offence under these Regulations committed by a body corporate is proved—
  - (a) to have been committed with the consent or connivance of an officer, or
  - (b) to be attributable to the negligence of an officer,

that officer, as well as the body corporate, is guilty of the offence and liable to be proceeded against and punished accordingly.

<sup>(1) 1925</sup> c. 86. Subsections (1), (2) and (5) were repealed by the Magistrates' Courts Act 1952 (c. 55), section 132 and Schedule 6; subsection (3) was amended by the Courts Act 1971 (c. 23), section 56(1) and Schedule 8, Part 2, paragraph 19; subsection (4) was amended by the Courts Act 2003 (c. 39), section 109(1) and (3), Schedule 8, paragraph 71, and Schedule 10.

<sup>(2) 1980</sup> c. 43. Paragraph 2(a) of Schedule 3 was amended by the Criminal Procedure and Investigations Act 1996 (c. 25), section 47, Schedule 1, paragraph 13, and was repealed by the Criminal Justice Act 2003 (c. 44), sections 41 and 332, Schedule 3, Part 2, paragraph 51(1) and (13)(a), and Schedule 37, Part 4 (partly commenced by S.I. 2012/1320 and S.I. 2012/2574 and with full effect from a date to be appointed): paragraph 5 was repealed by the Criminal Justice Act 2003, section 41, Schedule 3, Part 2, paragraph 51(1) and (13)(b) (partly commenced by S.I. 2012/1320 and S.I. 2012/2574 and with full effect from a date to be appointed): paragraph 6 was repealed by the Criminal Justice Act 2003, section 41, Schedule 3, Part 2, paragraph 51(1) and (13)(b) (partly commenced by S.I. 2012/1320 and S.I. 2012/2574 and with full effect from a date to be appointed).

<sup>(3) 1945</sup> c. 15 (N.I.). Section 18 was amended by the Magistrates Courts Act 1964 (c. 21) and by the Justice (Northern Ireland) Act 2002 (c. 26), Schedule 12.

<sup>(4)</sup> S.I. 1981/1675 (N.I. 26).

- (5) If an offence under these Regulations committed by a partnership is proved—
  - (a) to have been committed with the consent or connivance of a partner, or
  - (b) to be attributable to the negligence of a partner,

that partner, as well as the partnership, is guilty of the offence and liable to be proceeded against and punished accordingly.

(6) If an offence under these Regulations committed by an unincorporated association is proved—

- (a) to have been committed with the consent or connivance of an officer of the association or member of its governing body, or
- (b) to be attributable to the negligence of that officer or member,

that officer or member, as well as the association, is guilty of the offence and liable to be proceeded against and punished accordingly.

(7) In paragraphs (4), (5) and (6), any reference to an officer, partner or member, as the case may be, includes any person purporting to act in such capacity.

#### **Commencement Information**

II Reg. 6 in force at 3.3.2013, see reg. 1(2)

**Changes to legislation:** There are currently no known outstanding effects for the The Timber and Timber Products (Placing on the Market) Regulations 2013, Section 6.