
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1997 No. 2779

The Shops (Sunday Trading &c.) (Northern Ireland) Order 1997

Introductory

Title and commencement

1. This Order may be cited as the Shops (Sunday Trading &c.) (Northern Ireland) Order 1997 and shall come into operation on the expiration of 7 days from the day on which it is made.

Interpretation

2.—(1) Subject to Article 9(2), the Interpretation Act (Northern Ireland) 1954 shall apply to Article 1 and the following provisions of this Order as it applies to a Measure of the Northern Ireland Assembly.

(2) In this Order—

“the commencement date” means the day on which this Order comes into operation;

“the Department” means the Department of Health and Social Services;

“intoxicating liquor” has the same meaning as in the Licensing (Northern Ireland) Order 1996;

“large shop” means a shop which has a relevant floor area exceeding 280 square metres;

“relevant floor area”, in relation to a shop, means the internal floor area of so much of the shop as consists of or is comprised in a building, but excluding any part of the shop which, throughout the week ending with the Sunday in question, is used neither for the serving of customers in connection with the sale of goods nor for the display of goods;

“retail customer” means a person who purchases goods retail;

“retail sale” means any sale other than a sale for use or resale in the course of a trade or business, and references to retail purchase shall be construed accordingly;

“sale of goods” does not include—

(a) the sale of meals, refreshments or intoxicating liquor for consumption on the premises on which they are sold; or

(b) the sale of meals or refreshments prepared to order for immediate consumption off those premises;

“shop” (except in Schedule 2) means any premises where there is carried on a trade or business consisting wholly or mainly of the sale of goods.

Changes to legislation:

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the The Shops (Sunday Trading &c.) (Northern Ireland) Order 1997, Cross Heading: Introductory.