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REGULATIONS DATED 15TH DAY OF APRIL, 1954, MADE BY THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE UNDER SECTIONS THREE AND TEN OF THE SALE OF ICE CREAM ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1937.

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The Ministry of Agriculture for Northern Ireland, in exercise of the powers conferred on it by sections three and ten of the Sale of Ice Cream Act (Northern Ireland), 1937, (a) and of every other power enabling it in that behalf, hereby makes the following regulations, that is to say:—

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Ice Cream (Heat Treatment, etc.) Regulations (Northern Ireland), 1954, and shall come into operation on the 17th day of May, 1954.

2.—(1) In these Regulations, unless the context otherwise requires—" complete cold mix" means a product which is capable of manufacture into ice cream with the addition of water only, is sent out by the manufacturer in airtight containers, and has been made by evaporating a liquid mixture which has already been submitted to heat treatment comparable with that prescribed in these Regulations; and "ingredients" includes sugar and dried egg, but does not include colouring or flavouring materials or fruit, nuts, chocolate and other similar substance.

(2) The Interpretation Act, 1889, (b) shall apply for the purposes of the interpretation of these Regulations in like manner as it applies for the interpretation of an Act of the Parliament of Northern Ireland.

3. The following requirements shall be observed in the manufacture of ice cream intended for sale for human consumption:—

- (a) Where a complete cold mix is used which is reconstituted with wholesome drinking water and to which nothing is added other than colouring or flavouring materials, fruit, nuts, chocolate or other similar substances, the reconstituted product shall be converted into ice cream within one hour of reconstitution.
- (b) In any other case, after the ingredients have been mixed together the following provisions shall apply:—
 - (i) the mixture shall not be kept for more than one hour at any temperature which exceeds 45° Fahrenheit before being subjected to heat treatment in accordance with the next following subparagraph:
 - (ii) the mixture shall be subjected to heat treatment by one or other of the following methods:—
 Method I. The mixture shall be raised to and kept at a temperature of not less than 150° Fahrenheit for 30 minutes.

(a) 1 Edw. 8 & 1 Geo. 6. Ch. 7.
(b) 52-3 Vict. Ch. 63.

Method II. The mixture shall be raised to and kept at a temperature of not less than 160° Fahrenheit for 10 minutes.

Method III. The mixture shall be raised to and kept at a temperature of not less than 175° Fahrenheit for 15 seconds;

- (iii) the apparatus used for subjecting the mixture to heat treatment by Method III shall be thermostatically controlled and shall be fitted with a positive displacement pump which shall serve to maintain the flow of the mixture during its retention at the prescribed temperature at an even rate and also with a device which shall automatically divert the flow of any mixture which has not been raised to the prescribed temperature;
- (iv) after the mixture has been subjected to heat treatment as aforesaid it shall be reduced to a temperature of not more than 45° Fahrenheit within $1\frac{1}{2}$ hours and shall be kept at such a temperature until the freezing process is begun;
- (v) such indicating and recording thermometers shall be used as are necessary for ensuring that the foregoing provisions relating to the temperatures to or at which the mixture is raised, kept or reduced have been complied with;
- (vi) the records of any thermometers used to record the temperatures to or at which the mixture is raised, kept or reduced shall be preserved for a period of not less than one month;
- (vii) all apparatus used for the purposes of this paragraph shall be installed, maintained and operated in a proper and efficient manner.

4. Ice cream shall not be sold or offered for sale unless either:---

- (a) it has been kept at a temperature not exceeding 28° Fahrenheit since it was frozen, or
- (b) if its temperature has risen above 28° Fahrenheit at any time since it was frozen, it has again been subjected to the treatment prescribed by subparagraphs (i), (ii), and (iv) of regulation 3(b) and, after having again been frozen, has been kept at a temperature not exceeding 28° Fahrenheit.

5. It shall be a defence for a defendant charged with an offence under these regulations which is alleged to have been committed before 1st day of July, 1954, to prove that before the date of the alleged offence suitable apparatus to enable him to comply with that regulation had been ordered by him or on his behalf and had not been delivered and that he had taken all practicable steps to comply as far as possible with the said regulation.

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6. The Sale of Ice Cream Regulation 1945 (a) is hereby revoked but without prejudice to any proceedings in respect of the contravention thereof.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Ministry of Agriculture for Northern Ireland this fifteenth day of April, 1954, in the presence of

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(Signed) W. C. Glover,

Assistant Secretary.

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I, THE RIGHT HONOURABLE LORD GLENTORAN, H.M.L., Minister of Commerce for Northern Ireland, with the approval of the Right Honourable Brian Maginess, Q.C., Minister of Finance for Northern Ireland, in exercise of the powers conferred upon me by the Aid to Industry Act (Northern Ireland), 1953, hereby make the following order, that is to say:—

1. The Aid to Industry Order (N.I.) 1953 (b) (hereinafter in this Order referred to as "the principal Order") shall have effect subject to the modification specified in this Order.

2. In paragraph (2) of Article 4 of the principal Order the following words shall be inserted after the words "first day of June, 1953"

"and before the 1st day of January, 1954 and at the rate of twenty shillings for each ton of coal acquired on or after the first day of January, 1954".

3.-(1) This Order shall come into force on the thirteenth day of May one thousand nine hundred and fifty four.

(2) This Order may be cited as the Aid to Industry (Amendment) Order (Northern Ireland) 1954.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Ministry of Commerce for Northern Ireland this twelfth day of May, one thousand, nine hundred and fifty-four.

> Glentoran, Minister.

(a) S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1945 No. 71.
(b) S.R. & O. of Northern Ireland 1953 No. 127.