

*These notes refer to the Deregulation Act 2015 (c.20)
which received Royal Assent on 26 March 2015*

DEREGULATION ACT 2015

EXPLANATORY NOTES

COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS

Section 16: Sellers of knitting yarn

84. This section revokes the Weights and Measures (Knitting Yarns) Order 1988, which requires pre-packed knitting yarn to be sold by net weight and non-prepacked knitting yarn to be sold in specified quantities. The Order is not needed anymore as there is no longer a specific EU requirement to sell knitting yarn in specified quantities (due to Directive [2007/45/EC](#), which abolished specified quantities for relevant pre-packaged goods). Furthermore, a separate requirement for quantity labelling applies to knitting yarn under the [Weights and Measures \(Packaged Goods\) Regulations 2006 \(S.I. 2006/659\)](#). The revocation of the Order will lead to greater business freedom and consumer choice.
85. The section, like the 1988 Order it revokes, forms part of the law of England and Wales and Scotland. It comes into force at the end of the period of 2 months beginning with the day on which the Act is passed.