
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1950 No. 65

The Pottery (Health and Welfare) Special Regulations 1950

Preparation, Manipulation and Storage of Clay Dust

21. The following requirements shall apply in relation to the preparation, manipulation and storage of clay dust for use in the making of pottery:—

- (a) dried clay shall not be transported from a drying-room or dryer by hand or on the head or shoulder; suitable trucks or other suitable means of conveyance shall be provided and used for the purpose;
- (b) dried clay shall not be broken up by hand or by the use of hand tools;
- (c) no person shall enter any dust storage ark except:—
 - (i) for the purpose of cleaning it, or
 - (ii) for the purpose of carrying out repairs or other similar work and then only if the ark has been cleaned since it was last in use,

and any person entering an ark for any such purpose shall be provided with an approved respirator;

- (d) any person who uses a shovel or other hand implement for the purpose of filling boxes, trucks or other containers with dust for the pressing of tiles or of other pottery articles shall be provided with an approved respirator, and after the expiry of seven years from the commencement of these Regulations such filling shall not be done by shovelling or with the use of other hand implements;
- (e) dust shall be transported in such a manner as to disperse as little dust as possible into the air and, without prejudice to the generality of this requirement, containers of dust shall not be transported by hand or on the head or shoulder but suitable trucks or other suitable means of conveyance shall be provided and used for the purpose;
- (f) any person engaged in the transport of dust shall be provided with an approved respirator:
Provided that the Chief Inspector may, in the case of any factory, by certificate extend the period of seven years referred to in paragraph (d) of this Regulation if he is satisfied that, at the date of the certificate, the occupier has taken all reasonable steps towards ensuring compliance with the requirements of that paragraph but that such compliance has not become practicable.