

1967 No. 1901

MERCHANDISE MARKS

The Merchandise Marks (Imported Goods) No. 7
Order 1934 Amendment Order 1967

Laid before Parliament in draft

Made - - - - 20th December 1967

Coming into Operation 20th March 1968

At the Court at Buckingham Palace, the 20th day of December 1967

Present,

The Queen's Most Excellent Majesty in Council

Whereas an enquiry as to whether the Merchandise Marks (Imported Goods) No. 7 Order 1934(a), as amended(b), (hereinafter referred to as "the principal Order") should be further amended in respect of the size of lettering and the location of the indication of origin on pre-packed cuts of imported meat when sold or exposed for sale, whether wholesale or by retail, in the United Kingdom has been held by the appropriate Committee appointed under the Merchandise Marks Act 1926(e): and, the report of the Committee having been taken into consideration, the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food, the Secretary of State for the Home Department and the Secretary of State for Scotland acting jointly have represented to Her Majesty that it is desirable that the principal Order should be further amended in the manner hereinafter appearing;

And whereas a draft of this Order has lain before Parliament for a period of 40 days in accordance with section 7 of the said Act and section 6(2) of the Statutory Instruments Act 1946(d) and neither House of Parliament has resolved that the draft be not submitted to Her Majesty;

Now, therefore, Her Majesty, by and with the advice of Her Privy Council and in pursuance of the powers conferred by sections 2 and 7 of the Merchandise Marks Act 1926, is pleased to order, and it is hereby ordered, as follows:—

1. The principal Order shall have effect subject to the following amendments:—

(a) at the end of paragraph I of article 4 thereof there shall be added the words "or on each container or package of meat or shall be applied to each container or package of meat.";

(b) at the end of article 4 thereof there shall be added the following proviso—

" Provided also that in the case of any meat or edible offals specified in this article in pre-packed form where the net weight of the meat or edible offals in the container or package does not exceed 4 pounds

(a) S.R. & O. 1934/727 (Rev. XIII, p. 593: 1934 I, p. 1164).

(b) S.R. & O. 1936/176 (Rev. XIII, p. 622: 1936 I, p. 1779).

(c) 1926 c. 53.

(d) 1946 c. 36.

at the time of sale or exposure for sale, the requirements of this Order as to the application of the indication of origin on sale or exposure for sale, whether wholesale or by retail, shall be deemed to be complied with where the indication of origin is applied clearly and conspicuously in letters of not less than one eighth of an inch in height.”.

2.—(1) The Interpretation Act 1889(a) shall apply to the interpretation of this Order as it applies to the interpretation of an Act of Parliament.

(2) This Order may be cited as the Merchandise Marks (Imported Goods) No. 7 Order 1934 Amendment Order 1967 and shall come into operation on the expiration of 3 months beginning with the date of this Order.

W. G. Agnew.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Order.)

The Merchandise Marks (Imported Goods) No. 7 Order 1934, as amended, prohibits the importation into, or the sale or exposure for sale in, the United Kingdom of certain kinds of imported meat and edible offals unless they bear an indication of origin applied in the manner specified in the Order.

This Order, which comes into operation 3 months after it is made, amends that Order to permit a reduction in the size of lettering required when applying the indication of origin to those kinds of meat and edible offals when sold or exposed for sale in pre-packed form, whether wholesale or by retail, in a container or package whose net weight does not exceed 4 lb.

The Order also extends to chilled beef, frozen mutton, frozen lamb and frozen pork in pre-packed form a provision in the principal Order permitting the application of the indication of origin to each container or package of meat.

The report referred to in the Order is contained in Command Paper No. 2788.