

EXPLANATORY NOTE

These Regulations permit the keeping of petroleum-spirit in plastic containers for use as a fuel for an internal combustion engine. Hitherto only metal containers could be used for that purpose.

The Regulations impose a duty on manufacturers, importers and suppliers of plastic containers for use at work as containers for petroleum-spirit to ensure that the containers meet certain requirements as to composition, structure and labelling and do not exceed 5 litres capacity.

Petroleum-spirit may only be kept in a plastic container which meets those requirements; it will be a defence for a person charged with keeping it in contravention of this requirement to prove that he took all reasonable precautions and exercised all due diligence to avoid the offence. The Regulations also limit the places where the plastic containers may be kept.

The Petroleum-spirit (Motor Vehicles, &c.) Regulations 1929 are modified to allow petroleum-spirit to be kept in metal containers for use as a fuel for any internal combustion engine.