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## EXPLANATORY NOTE

These Regulations provide for the classification of explosive articles, explosive substances and combinations and unit loads thereof by the Health and Safety Executive or, in the case of military explosives, by the Secretary of State for Defence, according to the type of explosive hazard which they present and their compatibility with other explosives.

Explosives which are assigned to Class 1 or designated as presenting a significant hazard from explosion must comply, whenever they are conveyed or kept and in certain circumstances supplied, with the requirements as to labelling set out in the Regulations.

Copies of the Second Revised Edition of the Recommendations prepared by the United Nations Committee of Experts on the Transport of Dangerous Goods (mentioned in the definition of “Class 1” in Regulation 2(1) and the Technical Instructions for the Safe Transport of Dangerous Goods by Air (mentioned in Regulation 4(1)(e)) can be obtained from IAL Merchandising Service, Aeradio House, Hayes Road, Southall, Middlesex UB2 5NJ.

The lists mentioned in the definition of “name” in Regulation 2(1) can be obtained as follows:–

(a) “List of Authorised Explosives” is published by and obtainable from Her Majesty's Stationery Office;

(b) copies of “List of Classifications of Explosives” can be obtained from Her Majesty's Explosives Inspectorate, Health and Safety Executive, Magdalen House, Stanley Precinct, Bootle, Merseyside, L20 3LZ;

(c) copies of the Ministry of Defence lists of classifications for military explosives can be obtained from the Ministry of Defence Explosives Storage and Transport Committee, Empress State Building, Lillie Road, London SW6 1TR.

Copies of The International Maritime Dangerous Goods Code mentioned in Regulation 4(1)(e) can be obtained from the International Maritime Organisation, Publications Section, 4 Albert Embankment, London SE1 7SR.

Classifications given by the Health and Safety Executive are shown in “List of Authorised Explosives” and “List of Classifications of Explosives.” Classifications given by the Secretary of State for Defence are shown in the Ministry of Defence lists of classifications for military explosives. If there is doubt whether an article, substance, combination or unit load has been classified since the date of the most recent lists, enquiries can be made of Her Majesty's Explosives Inspectorate and the Ministry of Defence Explosives Storage and Transport Committee, as appropriate, at the addresses given above.