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The Health and Safety (Miscellaneous Provisions) (Metrication etc.) Regulations 1992

PART II

AMENDMENTS TO ENACTMENTS AND INSTRUMENTS RELATING TO HUMID FACTORIES NOT INVOLVING METRICATION

Amendments to the Jute (Safety, Health and Welfare) Regulations 1948

10.—(1) In addition to the amendments made by Part I of these Regulations (relating to metrication) the Jute (Safety, Health and Welfare) Regulations 1948(1) shall be amended in accordance with the following paragraphs of this regulation.

(2) After regulation 1 there shall be inserted the following regulation—

“Interpretation

1A.—(1) In these Regulations unless the context otherwise requires—

“dry bulb temperature” means the temperature measured by an accurate and properly maintained thermometer (which may form part of the hygrometer) and any reference without qualification in the Regulations to a thermometer shall be taken to be a reference to such a thermometer and a reference without qualification to temperature shall be taken as a reference to the dry bulb temperature;

“hygrometer” means an accurate and properly maintained and calibrated instrument for the measurement of the relative humidity in the work-place;

“wet bulb temperature” means either—

- (a) the temperature indicated by the wet bulb of a static hygrometer which relies on natural circulation of air around the thermometer; or
- (b) the temperature calculated from the dry bulb temperature and relative humidity by the method approved for the time being by the Health and Safety Executive.

(2) In these Regulations references to the dry bulb reading of the hygrometer and the wet bulb reading of the hygrometer shall be taken as references to the dry bulb temperature and the wet bulb temperature respectively.”

(3) After regulation 3 there shall be inserted the following regulation—

“3A.—(1) Subject to paragraph (2) of this Regulation, the Health and Safety Executive may, by a certificate in writing, exempt any person or class of persons, from all or any of the requirements or prohibitions imposed by these Regulations and any such exemption may

be granted subject to conditions and to a limit of time and may be revoked by a certificate in writing at any time.

(2) The Executive shall not grant any such exemption unless, having regard to the circumstances of the case and in particular to—

(a) the conditions, if any, that it proposes to attach to the exemption; and

(b) any requirements imposed by or under any enactments which apply to the case,

it is satisfied that the health or safety of persons who are likely to be affected by the exemption will not be prejudiced in consequence of it.”.

(4) For paragraph (2) of regulation 17 there shall be substituted the following paragraph—

“(2) A hygrometer and a thermometer close to it shall be kept as near as practicable to the centre of every room, and if an inspector so directs, a second hygrometer and thermometer shall be placed at the side of the room or in such other position as may be directed by an inspector.”.

(5) Paragraphs (3) and (4) of regulation 17 shall be revoked.

(6) For paragraph (3) of regulation 18 there shall be substituted the following paragraph—

“(3) For the purposes of this Regulation, in the case of a room in which two hygrometers and two thermometers are placed in accordance with regulation 17 the readings to be recorded are the average of those of both hygrometers or both thermometers as the case may be.”.

(7) Schedule 2 to the Regulations shall be revoked.