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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 Cotton Cloth Factories Regulations 1929

9.—(1) In addition to the amendments made by Part I of these Regulations (relating to metrication) the Cotton Cloth Factories Regulations 1929(1) shall be amended in accordance with the following paragraphs of this regulation.

(2) In the preliminary part of the Regulations dealing with definitions, for the definition of “hygrometer” there shall be substituted at the appropriate places the following definitions—

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

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

(3) The preliminary part of the Regulations dealing with exemptions shall be revoked.

(4) For regulation 3 there shall be substituted the following regulation—

“**3.** In each weaving shed two hygrometers and a thermometer close to each hygrometer and one additional hygrometer and thermometer for every 500 or part of 500 looms in excess of 700 looms shall be provided, in such positions as may be approved by an inspector.”.

(5) For regulation 4 there shall be substituted the following regulation—

“4.—(1) In every weaving shed the readings of each hygrometer and thermometer provided in pursuance of regulation 3 shall be observed on every day on which any workers are employed in the shed, between 15 and 30 minutes from the commencement of work, between 11 a.m. and 12 noon and (except on Saturday) between 4 and 5 p.m. and a record of those readings shall be made.

(2) The said records shall be kept by the occupier for at least two years from when they were made and the occupier shall give his employees immediate access to those records on request together with such information as is necessary for their interpretation.”.

(6) In regulation 6(c) the words from “in such manner” to the end of the subparagraph shall be revoked.

(7) There shall be inserted the following regulation as regulation 10A—

“10A.—(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.”.

(8) In regulation 12 after the word “hygrometer” there shall be inserted the words “and thermometers”.