STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2002 No. 2174

The Health and Safety (Miscellaneous Amendments) Regulations 2002

Amendment of the Personal Protective Equipment at Work Regulations 1992

- 5. The Personal Protective Equipment at Work Regulations 1992(1) shall be amended—
 - (a) by substituting for sub-paragraphs (a) and (b) of paragraph (3) of regulation 4 the following sub-paragraphs—
 - "(a) it is appropriate for the risk or risks involved, the conditions at the place where exposure to the risk may occur, and the period for which it is worn;
 - (b) it takes account of ergonomic requirements and the state of health of the person or persons who may wear it, and of the characteristics of the workstation of each such person;";
 - (b) by adding to regulation 4 the following paragraph—
 - "(4) Where it is necessary to ensure that personal protective equipment is hygienic and otherwise free of risk to health, every employer and every self-employed person shall ensure that personal protective equipment provided under this regulation is provided to a person for use only by him.";
 - (c) in paragraph (2) of regulation 6, by adding the following sub-paragraph—
 - "(d) an assessment as to whether the personal protective equipment is compatible with other personal protective equipment which is in use and which an employee would be required to wear simultaneously.";
 - (d) in paragraph (1) of regulation 9 by adding after sub-paragraph (c) the words "and shall ensure that such information is kept available to employees"; and
 - (e) in paragraph (3) of regulation 9 by adding the following paragraph—
 - "(3) Without prejudice to the generality of paragraph (1) the employer shall, where appropriate, and at suitable intervals, organise demonstrations in the wearing of personal protective equipment."