1995 No. 297

EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES

RADIOACTIVE SUBSTANCES

The Radioactive Substances (Metrication) Order (Northern Ireland) 1995

Made . . . . . : *26th July 1995*

Coming into operation . . *1st September 1995*

The Department of the Environment for Northern Ireland, in exercise of the powers conferred on it by sections 8(6), (7) and (8), 11(1) and (3) and 15(2) and (3) of the Radioactive Substances Act 1993(**a**) and of every other power enabling it in that behalf, hereby makes the following order:

Citation and commencement

1. This order may be cited as the Radioactive Substances (Metrication) Order (Northern Ireland) 1995, and shall come into operation on 1st September 1995.

Interpretation

2. The Interpretation Act (Northern Ireland) 1954(**b**) shall apply to this order as it applies to a measure of the Northern Ireland Assembly.

Amendments to substitute metric for imperial amounts

3. The orders specified in the Schedule in column 1 in relation to the provisions specified in column 2 shall be amended by substituting for the amounts and units of measurement expressed opposite thereto in column 3 the amounts and units of measurement expressed in the corresponding entry in column 4.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of the Environment for Northern Ireland on 26th July 1995.

(L.S.) *John Crowther*
Assistant Secretary

(**a**) 1993 c. 12
(**b**) 1954 c. 33 (N.I)

SCHEDULE regulation 3

1 *Statutory Rules amended*	2 *Provision to be amended*	3 *Present amount and unit of measurement*	4 *Amount and unit of measurement substituted*
The Radioactive Substances (Prepared Uranium and Thorium Compounds) Exemption Order (Northern Ireland), 1962(**a**)	Article 2(1) in the definitions of— "prepared thorium", and	"microcuries" on each occasion where it occurs 1.7 per gramme	kilobecquerels 63 per gramme
	"prepared uranium"	"microcuries" on each occasion where it occurs	kilobecquerels
The Radioactive Substances (Uranium and Thorium) Exemption Order (Northern Ireland), 1962(**b**)	Article 2(1) in the definitions of— "natural thorium", and	"microcuries" on each occasion where it occurs 1.7 per gramme	kilobecquerels 63 per gramme
	"natural uranium"	"microcuries" on each occasion where it occurs	kilobecquerels
The Radioactive Substances (Geological Specimens) Exemption Order (Northern Ireland), 1962(**c**)	Article 4	"microcuries" on each occasion where it occurs	kilobecquerels
The Radioactive Substances (Phosphatic Substances, Rare Earths, etc.) Exemption Order (Northern Ireland), 1962(**d**)	Article 4(*a*)(i) Article 4(*a*)(ii) & (iii)	microcuries 4×10^{-4} microcuries 1×10^{-3}	becquerels 15 becquerels 37

(**a**) S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1962 No. 242
(**b**) S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1962 No. 244
(**c**) S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1962 No. 248
(**d**) S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1962 No. 249

SCHEDULE regulation 3

1 *Statutory Rules amended*	2 *Provision to be amended*	3 *Present amount and unit of measurement*	4 *Amount and unit of measurement substituted*
The Radioactive Substances (Exhibitions) Exemption Order (Northern Ireland), 1962(**a**)	Article 2(1) in the definition of "homogeneous source" in Paragraph (*a*)(ii)	microcuries	kilobecquerels
		ten	370
	Article 5(*b*)	one millicurie	37 megabecquerels
	Article 5(*c*)	"microcuries" on each occasion where it occurs	kilobecquerels
	Article 7(1)(*a*)	one millicurie	37 megabecquerels
	Article 7(1)(*b*)	microcuries	kilobecquerels
	Article 7(2)(*a*) & (*b*)	one hundred microcuries	3.7×10^3 kilobecquerels
	SCHEDULE 1 for the items relating to	*Number of microcuries*	*Number of kilobecquerels*
	Tritium	10^4	3.7×10^5
	Carbon 14	10^4	3.7×10^5
	Sodium 24	10^3	3.7×10^4
	Phosphorus 32	10^2	3.7×10^3
	Sulphur 35	10^3	3.7×10^4
	Iron 59	10^2	3.7×10^3
	Cobalt 60	10^2	3.7×10^3
	Strontium 90	1	37
	Iodine 131	10	3.7×10^2
	Caesium 137	10^2	3.7×10^3
	Gold 198	10^2	3.7×10^3

(**a**) S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1962 No. 250