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WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

Weights and Measures (Marking and Abbreviations) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1980

Made	*4th March 1980*
Coming into operation . . .	*31st March 1980*

The Department(**a**) of Commerce, in exercise of the powers conferred on it by section 15(4)(*a*) and (*d*) of the Weights and Measures Act (Northern Ireland) 1967(**b**) (hereinafter referred to as "the Act") and of every other power enabling it in that behalf, hereby makes the following Regulations:—

Citation and commencement

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Weights and Measures (Marking and Abbreviations) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1980 and shall come into operation on 31st March 1980.

Amendment of the Regulations of 1976

2. The Weights and Measures (Marking and Abbreviations) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1976(**c**) shall have effect subject to the following amendments:

(*a*) in Regulation 6 for "and 8" substitute, "8 and 11(6)";

(*b*) for Regulation 10(3) and (4)(**d**) substitute:

"(3) Subject to paragraphs (4) and (5), in the case of any container marked after 31st March 1980 which is required to be marked with any information as to quantity by measurement of the goods contained in it the marking shall be in metric units but may, in addition, be in imperial units.

(4) In the case of goods which were on 31st March 1979 required by or under the Act to be pre-packed only if made up in specified quantities and which since that date have been required or are subsequently required to be pre-packed only if made up in specified metric quantities, the marking of quantity shall be, for a period of one year after the date on which they have been required or are subsequently required to be pre-packed only if made up in specified metric quantities as the case may be, in both metric units and imperial units.

(5) In the case of other goods which, on 31st March 1979, were required by or under the Act to be pre-packed only if made up in either specified imperial or metric quantities or in imperial quantities only the marking of quantity shall be in both metric and imperial units.";

(*c*) for Regulation 11(3) substitute:

"(3) In a case where the relevant goods are required by or under the Act to be pre-packed only if made up in specified quantities the marking shall—

(*a*) first indicate the quantity in which they are made up; and

(*b*) if the quantity in which they are made up is in metric units, include the words "metric pack".

(**a**) Formerly Ministry: *see* 1973 c. 36 s. 40 and Sch. 5 para. 8(1)
(**b**) 1967 c. 6 (N.I.)
(**c**) S.R. 1976 No. 155 (I, p. 729) as amended by S.R. 1978 No. 126 (I, p. 374)
(**d**) As substituted by S.R. 1978 No. 126 (I, p. 374) Reg. 2(*f*)