1979 No. 464

FOOD AND DRUGS

Labelling of Food (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1979

Made . . . . . 28*th December* 1979

Coming into operation . . . 11*th February* 1980

The Department of Health and Social Services(**a**) in exercise of the powers conferred on it by sections 7, 68 and 68A(**b**) of the Food and Drugs Act (Northern Ireland) 1958(**c**) and of every other power enabling it in that behalf and after consultation with such organisations as appear to it to be representative of interests substantially affected by these regulations, hereby makes the following regulations:

Citation, commencement and interpretation

1.—(1) These regulations may be cited as the Labelling of Food (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1979 and shall come into operation on 11th February 1980.

(2) In these regulations "the principal regulations" means the Labelling of Food Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1970(**d**).

Amendment of the principal regulations

2. The principal regulations shall be further amended as follows:—

(1) In regulation 16(4) thereof for the words "Subject to the provisions of the next following paragraph" there shall be substituted the words "Subject to the provisions of paragraphs (5) and (5A)".

(2) In regulation 16 thereof the following paragraph shall be inserted immediately after paragraph (5):

"(5A) Notwithstanding the provisions of paragraphs (4) and (5) it shall be sufficient from 11th February 1980:—

(*a*) for the declaration mentioned in the said paragraph (4) to be completed by inserting at (y)—

(i) the minimum alcoholic strength by volume expressed in figures and followed by the symbol "% vol"; or

(ii) the minimum alcoholic strength by mass expressed in figures and followed by the symbol "% mas",

but it shall not be necessary for a declaration which is so completed to include the words "NOT LESS THAN"; and

(**a**) *See* S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1964 No. 205 (p. 937) art. 5 and Sch. 2 Part I and 1973 c. 36 s. 40 and Sch. 5 para. 8.
(**b**) Added by S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1972 No. 363 (p. 1767)
(**c**) 1958 c. 27 (N.I.)
(**d**) S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1970 No. 80 (p. 339), to which there are amendments not relevant to these regulations.