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HEALTH AND SAFETY

AGRICULTURE

Agriculture (First Aid) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1979

Made . . . . . 14*th December* 1979

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The Department of Agriculture, in exercise of the powers conferred on it by Articles 17(2) and 46(1) of and paragraph 9 of Schedule 3 to the Health and Safety at Work (Northern Ireland) Order 1978(**a**) and of every other power enabling it in that behalf, after consultation with the Health and Safety Agency for Northern Ireland and such other bodies as appear to it to be appropriate, hereby makes the following regulations:

Citation and commencement

1. These regulations may be cited as the Agriculture (First Aid) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1979 and shall come into operation on 1st March 1980.

Interpretation

2. In these regulations—

"agriculture" includes horticulture, fruit growing, seed growing, dairy farming, livestock breeding and keeping, forestry, the use of land as grazing land, meadow land, osier land, market gardens and nursery grounds, and the preparation of land for agricultural use;

"agricultural unit" means land which is occupied as a unit for agricultural purposes;

"box" includes cupboard;

"the British Pharmaceutical Codex" means the book by that name published by the Pharmaceutical Society of Great Britain;

"worker" means a person employed under a contract of service and "employer" and "employed" shall have corresponding meanings.

Provision of first aid requisites and appliances

3.—(1) An employer of workers employed in agriculture on an agricultural unit (whether or not he is the occupier thereof) shall at all times provide first aid requisites and appliances as listed in the first column of the Schedule.

(2) The quantities of first aid requisites and appliances to be provided shall, in relation to the number of workers mentioned at the head of the second and third columns of the Schedule, be as stated in the appropriate column opposite each item in the first column of the Schedule.

(a) S.I. 1978/1039 (N.I. 9)

(3) Such first aid requisites and appliances shall be kept at such place on the agricultural unit as will make them accessible to the workers for whom they are provided and shall be stored in a box which is marked "First Aid" conspicuously on the outside.

(4) Where a worker employed in agriculture works on an agricultural unit of which his employer is not the occupier, then, unless a monetary consideration exists for such arrangement between the occupier of the agricultural unit and the employer, the worker shall be deemed to be in the employment of the occupier.

Standard of requisites and appliances

4. Any first aid requisite or appliance listed in the Schedule which appears in the British Pharmaceutical Codex shall be of a grade or quality not lower than the standard prescribed in the British Pharmaceutical Codex for that requisite or appliance.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of Agriculture for Northern Ireland on 14th December 1979.

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