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CONSUMER PROTECTION

Babies' Dummies (Safety) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1978

Made . . . . . *24th October* 1978

Coming into operation in accordance with Regulation 1(2) *and Regulation* 1(3)

To be laid before Parliament under paragraph 3(3) *of Schedule* 1 *to the Northern Ireland Act* 1974

The Department of Commerce, after consultation with such persons and bodies of persons as appear to it to be requisite, in exercise of the powers conferred by section 1 of the Consumer Protection Act (Northern Ireland) 1965(a) and now vested in it(b) and of every other power enabling it in that behalf, hereby makes the following Regulations:—

Citation and commencement

1.—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the Babies' Dummies (Safety) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1978.

(2) These Regulations, except Regulation 5(3), shall come into operation

(*a*) on 11th December 1978 in the case of goods sold by the manufacturer or importer into Northern Ireland, or in his possession for the purpose of sale, and

(*b*) on 1st January 1979 in any other case.

(3) Regulation 5(3) shall come into operation on 1st January 1980.

Interpretation

2. In these Regulations—

"the Act" means the Consumer Protection Act (Northern Ireland) 1965;

"baby's dummy" means a substitute nipple for a baby to suck or bite not being designed to facilitate a baby's obtaining fluid;

"British Standard 5239" means the British Standard Specification for babies' dummies BS 5239 : 1975, published on 28th November, 1975, as amended by Amendment Slip No. 1 published on 14th January 1977.

Construction of dummies

3.—(1) Subject to paragraph (2), a baby's dummy shall be made entirely of—

(*a*) rubber; or

(*b*) plastics; or

(*c*) a combination of components made entirely of rubber and components made entirely of plastics.

(2) Solid particles intended to produce a rattle effect shall be made of any material which is radio opaque.

(a) 1965 c. 14 (N.I.)
(b) By S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1973 No. 504 Art. 5(c) (II, p. 2992)