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CONSUMER PROTECTION

Colour Code for Electrical Appliances

REGULATIONS*, DATED 1ST JANUARY 1970, MADE BY THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS UNDER SECTION 1 OF THE CONSUMER PROTECTION ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND) 1965.

The Ministry of Home Affairs in exercise of the powers conferred on it by Section 1 of the Consumer Protection Act (Northern Ireland) 1965(a), and after consulting with such persons and bodies of persons as appears to it requisite, hereby makes the following Regulations:—

Citation and Commencement

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Electrical Appliances (Colour Code) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1970, and shall come into operation on 1st April 1970.

Interpretation

2. In these Regulations—

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

"earth-continuity conductor" has the meaning assigned to it by Regulation 4;

"mains lead" has the meaning assigned to it by Regulation 3; and

"working conductors" has the meaning assigned to it by Regulation 4.

Goods to which the Regulations apply

3. These Regulations apply to any electrical appliance (including any electrical apparatus or device) designed or suitable for domestic use (whether indoors or out-of-doors) which—

(*a*) requires for its operation a supply, from an external source, of electricity at a voltage of 100 volts or more; and

(*b*) has a flexible cord or cable (in these Regulations referred to as a "mains lead") containing three electricity conductors of which two are for connecting the appliance to such a supply of electricity, and one is for connecting it to earth.

Connection of Conductors

4. The conductors in the mains lead of an appliance to which these Regulations apply shall be connected, or adapted for connection, to the appliance in such a way that one, and only one, of the conductors (in these Regulations referred to as the "earth-continuity conductor") is connected, or adapted for connection, to a part of the appliance not intended to be electrified while the appliance is working properly, and the other conductors (in these Regulations referred to as "working conductors") are connected, or adapted for connection, to parts of the appliance intended to conduct electricity.

(a) 1965. c. 14 (N.I.).

*These Regulations were affirmed by a Resolution of the Senate on 12th February 1970 and by a Resolution of the House of Commons on 17th February 1970.