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FOOD AND DRUGS

Composition and Labelling
Soft Drinks

REGULATIONS, DATED 22ND DECEMBER 1969, MADE BY THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES UNDER SECTIONS 4, 7 AND 68 OF THE FOOD AND DRUGS ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND) 1958.

The Ministry of Health and Social Services, in exercise of the powers conferred upon it by sections 4, 7 and 68 of the Food and Drugs Act (Northern Ireland) 1958(a), having consulted with such organisations as appear to it to be representative of interests substantially affected by these regulations, hereby makes the following regulations:—

Citation and commencement

1. These regulations may be cited as the Soft Drinks (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1969 and shall come into operation on 1st January 1970.

Interpretation

2. In these regulations the expression "the principal regulations" means the Soft Drinks Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1964(b) and any reference herein to a numbered regulation or schedule shall be construed as a reference to the regulation or schedule bearing that number in the principal regulations.

Amendment of the principal regulations

3. Regulation 2(1) shall be amended—

(*a*) by deleting the definition of cyclamic acid;

(*b*) by deleting from the definition of permitted artificial sweetener the words "or cyclamic acid".

4. Regulation 5(2) shall be amended by substituting in sub-paragraph (*a*) of the proviso thereto for the words and figures "columns 4 and 5" the word and figure "column 4" and by deleting from that sub-paragraph the words "(calculated as therein required)".

5. Regulation 12 shall be amended by adding at the end thereof the following proviso:—

"Provided that the said description or descriptive name need not be included in the said declaration if a label on a container of the soft drink dispensed from the vending machine, or an exact facsimile of such label, bearing the said description, where applicable, and otherwise the said descriptive name is conspicuous and legible to an intending purchaser on or through the outside of the vending machine".

(a) 1958, c. 27. (b) S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1964, No. 94.