EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order but is intended to indicate its general purport.)

This Order gives effect to proposals submitted by the Construction Industry Training Board to the Ministry of Health and Social Services for the imposition of a levy upon employers in the construction industry for the purpose of raising money towards the expenses of the Board.

The levy is to be imposed in respect of the third levy period commencing with the date upon which the Order comes into operation and ending on 5th April 1968. The levy will be assessed by the Board and there will be a right of appeal against an assessment to an industrial tribunal.

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FOOD AND DRUGS

Composition and Labelling

Meat Pies and Sausage Rolls

REGULATIONS, DATED 28TH JUNE 1967, 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:—

PART I

PRELIMINARY

Citation and commencement

1. These regulations may be cited as the Meat Pie and Sausage Roll Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1967 and shall come into operation on 31st May 1968.

Interpretation

2.—(1) In these regulations—

"the Act" means the Food and Drugs Act (Northern Ireland) 1958;

"cooked" in relation to food means requiring no further cooking before consumption; and "uncooked" shall be construed accordingly;

"container" includes any form of packaging of food for sale as a single item, whether by way of wholly or partly enclosing the food or by way of attaching the food to some other article, and in particular includes a wrapper or confining band;

(a) 1958. c. 27.

"meat" means the flesh, including fat, and the skin, rind, gristle and sinew in amounts naturally associated with the flesh used, of any animal or bird which is normally used for human consumption and includes cured meat and permitted offal, but does not include fish;

"meat content" means the total weight of meat when raw and before undergoing curing or any other similar processing, contained in any meat pie or any sausage roll and expressed as a percentage of the total weight of such meat pie or such sausage roll as the case may be;

"meat pie" means any product containing meat which is wholly or partly encased in pastry and is intended for sale for human consumption and includes pasty and meat pudding but does not include sausage roll or vol-au-vent;

"permitted offal" means any offal other than offal prohibited to be used in any uncooked open meat product by the Offals in Meat Products Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1960(**a**);

"sausage roll" means a sausage roll intended for sale for human consumption;

"Scottish pie" means a meat pie composed of a shallow cylindrical pastry case not exceeding 5 inches in diameter containing minced beef or minced mutton or a mixture of minced beef and minced mutton, cereal, water, salt and seasonings, and not containing any jelly; and "Scottish pie", wherever that expression occurs, includes a reference to "Scotch pie";

"sell" includes offer or expose for sale or have in possession for sale, and "sale" and "sold" shall be construed accordingly;

"sell by retail" means sell to a person buying otherwise than for the purpose of re-sale, but does not include selling to a manufacturer for the purposes of his manufacturing business.

(2) All percentages mentioned in these regulations are percentages calculated by weight and are calculated on the weight of the product as sold.

(3) Any reference in these regulations to a label borne on a container shall be construed as including a reference to any legible marking on the container however effected.

(4) For the purposes of these regulations, the supply of food, otherwise than by sale, at, in or from any place where food is supplied in the course of a business shall be deemed to be a sale of that food, and references to purchasing and purchaser shall be construed accordingly.

Exemptions

3. The provisions of these regulations shall not apply in relation to—

(*a*) any meat pie or sausage roll which—

(i) is sold for exportation to any place outside the United Kingdom; or

(ii) is supplied under Government contracts for consumption by Her Majesty's Forces or for consumption by a visiting force within the meaning of any of the provisions of Part I of the Visiting Forces Act 1952(**b**); or

(iii) weighs $1\frac{1}{2}$ ounces or less.

(*b*) any product containing the fat, but no other meat, of any animal or bird normally used for human consumption.

(a) S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1960, No. 165. (b) 15 & 16 Geo. 6 & 1 Eliz. 2. c. 67.

PART II

COMPOSITION OF MEAT PIES AND SAUSAGE ROLLS

Calculation of meat content

4.—(1) Any fat in excess of 50 per cent. of the carbohydrate constituent of the pastry of any of the following products (other than any such products uncooked) namely—

(*a*) meat pies other than Scottish pies,

(*b*) meat pies containing meat and vegetable,

(*c*) meat pies containing meat and egg, meat and cheese, or meat, egg and cheese, and

(*d*) sausage rolls,

shall be reckoned as part of the meat content of such product for the purposes of these regulations.

(2) Any fat in excess of 35 per cent. of the carbohydrate constituent of the pastry of any Scottish pie (other than any such product uncooked) shall be reckoned as part of the meat content of such Scottish pie for the purposes of regulation 5(3) and (4).

Composition of meat pies and sausage rolls

5.—(1) Any meat pie (other than any uncooked meat pie, any Scottish pie, any meat pie containing meat and vegetable or any meat pie containing meat and egg, meat and cheese, or meat, egg and cheese) sold, consigned or delivered, whether in a container or not, shall have a meat content of not less than 25 per cent.:

Provided that it shall be sufficient compliance with the requirements of this regulation if—

(*a*) any meat pie not exceeding 3 ounces has a meat content of not less than $\frac{5}{8}$ ounce;

(*b*) any meat pie not exceeding 4 ounces has a meat content of not less than $\frac{7}{8}$ ounce;

(*c*) any meat pie not exceeding $5\frac{1}{2}$ ounces has a meat content of not less than 1 ounce;

(*d*) any meat pie not exceeding 7 ounces has a meat content of not less than $1\frac{1}{2}$ ounces.

(2) Any uncooked meat pie (other than any uncooked Scottish pie, any uncooked meat pie containing meat and vegetable, or any uncooked meat pie containing meat and egg, meat and cheese, or meat, egg and cheese) sold, consigned or delivered, whether in a container or not, shall have a meat content of not less than 21 per cent.:

Provided that it shall be sufficient compliance with the requirements of this regulation if—

(*a*) any uncooked meat pie not exceeding 3 ounces has a meat content of not less than $\frac{1}{2}$ ounce;

(*b*) any uncooked meat pie not exceeding 4 ounces has a meat content of not less than $\frac{3}{4}$ ounce;

(*c*) any uncooked meat pie not exceeding $5\frac{1}{2}$ ounces has a meat content of not less than $^{17}/_{20}$ ounce;

(*d*) any uncooked meat pie not exceeding 7 ounces has a meat content of not less than $1\frac{1}{4}$ ounces.

(3) Any Scottish pie (other than any uncooked Scottish pie) sold, consigned or delivered, whether in a container or not, shall have a meat content of not less than 20 per cent.:

Provided that it shall be sufficient compliance with the requirements of this regulation if—

(*a*) any Scottish pie not exceeding 3 ounces has a meat content of not less than $\frac{1}{2}$ ounce;

(*b*) any Scottish pie not exceeding 4 ounces has a meat content of not less than $^{7}/_{10}$ ounce;

(*c*) any Scottish pie not exceeding $5\frac{1}{2}$ ounces has a meat content of not less than $\frac{4}{5}$ ounce;

(*d*) any Scottish pie not exceeding 7 ounces has a meat content of not less than $1^{1}/_{5}$ ounces.

(4) Any uncooked Scottish pie sold, consigned or delivered, whether in a container or not, shall have a meat content of not less than 17 per cent.:

Provided that it shall be sufficient compliance with the requirements of this regulation if—

(*a*) any uncooked Scottish pie not exceeding 3 ounces has a meat content of not less than $\frac{2}{5}$ ounce;

(*b*) any uncooked Scottish pie not exceeding 4 ounces has a meat content of not less than $\frac{3}{5}$ ounce;

(*c*) any uncooked Scottish pie not exceeding $5\frac{1}{2}$ ounces has a meat content of not less than $^{7}/_{10}$ ounce;

(*d*) any uncooked Scottish pie not exceeding 7 ounces has a meat content of not less than 1 ounce.

(5) Subject to paragraph (7), any meat pie containing meat and vegetable (other than any uncooked meat pie containing meat and vegetable) sold, consigned or delivered, whether in a container or not, shall have a meat content of not less than $12\frac{1}{2}$ per cent.

(6) Subject to paragraph (7), any uncooked meat pie containing meat and vegetable sold, consigned or delivered, whether in a container or not, shall have a meat content of not less than $10\frac{1}{2}$ per cent.

(7) Paragraphs (5) and (6) shall not apply in relation to any meat pie containing meat and vegetable in relation to which the requirements as to labelling and description in regulation 7(3) and (4), in the circumstances there described, are complied with.

(8) Subject to paragraph (10), any meat pie containing meat and egg, meat and cheese, or meat, egg and cheese (other than any such meat pie uncooked) sold, consigned or delivered, whether in a container or not, shall have a meat content of not less than $12\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. and a combined meat and egg, or meat and cheese, or meat, egg and cheese content, as the case may be, of not less than 25 per cent.

(9) Subject to paragraph (10), any uncooked meat pie containing meat and egg, meat and cheese, or meat, egg and cheese sold, consigned or delivered, whether in a container or not, shall have a meat content of not less than $10\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. and a combined meat and egg, or meat and cheese, or meat, egg and cheese content, as the case may be, of not less than 21 per cent.

(10) Paragraphs (8) and (9) shall not apply in relation to any meat pie

containing meat and egg, meat and cheese, or meat, egg and cheese in relation to which the requirements as to labelling and description in regulation 8(3) and (4), in the circumstances there described, are complied with.

(11) Any sausage roll (other than any uncooked sausage roll) sold, consigned or delivered, whether in a container or not, shall have a meat content of not less than 12½ per cent.

(12) Any uncooked sausage roll sold, consigned or delivered, whether in a container or not, shall have a meat content of not less than 10½ per cent.

(13) No person shall sell, consign or deliver, as the case may be, any meat pie or sausage roll in contravention of this regulation.

PART III

LABELLING, DESCRIPTION ETC.

Labelling and description of certain meat pies and sausage rolls

6.—(1) No person shall sell, consign or deliver in a container any meat pie or any sausage roll of a kind mentioned in paragraph (3) unless such container bears a label on which there appears such one of the descriptions specified in the said paragraph (3) as is appropriate.

(2) No person shall sell by retail otherwise than in a container any meat pie or any sausage roll of a kind mentioned in paragraph (3) unless there appears on a ticket placed on or in immediate proximity to such meat pie or sausage roll so as to be clearly visible to an intending purchaser such one of the descriptions specified in the said paragraph (3) as is appropriate:

Provided that it shall be sufficient compliance with the requirements of this paragraph if, in respect of any meat pie or any sausage roll sold for immediate consumption at or near the place of sale, the purchaser is clearly notified, at or before the time of sale, of such one of the descriptions specified in the said paragraph (3) as is appropriate.

(3) The appropriate description referred to in paragraphs (1) and (2)—

(*a*) for any uncooked meat pie which does not comply with the minimum meat content requirements set out in regulation 5(1) is "uncooked";

(*b*) for any Scottish pie (other than any uncooked Scottish pie) which does not comply with the said minimum meat content requirements is "Scottish pie" or "Scotch pie";

(*c*) for any uncooked Scottish pie which does not comply with the said minimum meat content requirements is "uncooked Scottish pie" or "uncooked Scotch pie";

(*d*) for any sausage roll (other than any uncooked sausage roll) which has a meat content of less than 25 per cent. is "sausage roll";

(*e*) for any uncooked sausage roll which has a meat content of less than 25 per cent. is "uncooked sausage roll".

Labelling and description of meat pies containing meat and vegetable

7.—(1) Subject to the provisions of this regulation, no person shall—

(*a*) sell, consign or deliver, in a container, any meat pie which—

(i) contains meat and vegetable, and