
STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

1999 No. 303

HEALTH AND SAFETY

**Chemicals (Hazard Information and Packaging for Supply)
(Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1999**

Made - - - - *29th June 1999*

Coming into operation *18th August 1999*

The Department of Economic Development, being a Department designated⁽¹⁾ for the purpose of section 2(2) of the European Communities Act 1972⁽²⁾ in relation to the regulation and control of classification, packaging and labelling of dangerous substances and preparations, and for measures related to consumer protection, in the exercise of the powers conferred on it by the said section 2(2) and, being the Department concerned⁽³⁾, in exercise of the powers conferred by Articles 17(1), (2), (4), (5) and (6) and 55(2) of, and paragraphs 1(1), (4) and (5), and 2, 14 and 15 of Schedule 3 to, the Health and Safety at Work (Northern Ireland) Order 1978⁽⁴⁾ and of every other power enabling it in that behalf, after consultation in accordance with Article 46(1)⁽⁵⁾ of that Order with the Health and Safety Executive for Northern Ireland and such other bodies as appeared to the Department to be appropriate, hereby makes the following Regulations:

Citation and commencement

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Chemicals (Hazard Information and Packaging for Supply) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1999 and shall come into operation on 18th August 1999.

Interpretation

2.—(1) In these Regulations, “the principal Regulations” means the Chemicals (Hazard Information and Packaging for Supply) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1995⁽⁶⁾.

(2) The Interpretation Act (Northern Ireland) 1954⁽⁷⁾ shall apply to these Regulations as it applies to a Measure of the Northern Ireland Assembly.

(1) S.I. 1976/897 and S.I. 1993/2661

(2) 1972 c. 68; the definition of the Treaties referred to in section 2(2) was extended by section 1 of the European Economic Area Act 1993 (c. 51)

(3) See Article 2(2) of S.I. 1978/1039 (N.I. 9)

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

(5) Article 46(1) was amended by S.I. 1998/2795 (N.I. 18), Article 6(1) and Schedule 1, paragraph 8

(6) S.R. 1995 No. 60, as amended by S.R. 1996 No. 376, S.R. 1997 No. 398, S.R. 1998 No. 459 and S.R. 1999 No. 150

(7) 1954 c. 33 (N.I.)

Amendment of regulation 4 of the principal Regulations

3. For regulation 4 of the principal Regulations, there shall be substituted the following regulation—

“4. In these Regulations, the “approved supply list” means the document approved by the Executive for the purposes of these Regulations and—

- (a) entitled “Information Approved for the Classification and Labelling of Substances and Preparations Dangerous for Supply (4th Edition)” approved by the Health and Safety Commission on 22nd October 1998;
- (b) as revised by the document entitled the “Approved Supply List supplement” approved by the Health and Safety Commission on 12th January 1999.”.

Transitional provisions

4. Until 31st October 1999, it shall be sufficient compliance with the requirements of the principal regulations if the requirements of those Regulations are complied with as they had effect immediately before these Regulations came into operation.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of Economic Development on

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29th June 1999.

Adrienne L. Brown
Assistant Secretary

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations.)

1. These Regulations amend the reference in the Chemicals (Hazard Information and Packaging for Supply) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1995 (S.R. 1995 No. 60) (“the principal Regulations”) to the approved supply list. The reference to that list is now to the list as revised by the supplement to the 4th edition approved by the Health and Safety Commission on 12th January 1999 (thereby implementing for Northern Ireland Article 1(1) of Commission Directive 98/73/EC (O.J. No. L305, 16.11.98, p. 1) adapting to technical progress for the 24th time Council Directive 67/548/EEC (O.J. No. L196, 16.8.67, p. 1) on the approximation of the laws, regulations and administrative provisions relating to the classification, packaging and labelling of dangerous substances).

2. The approved supply list is approved for the purposes of classifying substances and preparations dangerous for supply.

3. Regulation 4 provides for a transitional period until 31st October 1999 during which a person may either comply with the principal Regulations as amended by these Regulations or the principal Regulations as they were in operation immediately before these Regulations came into operation.

4. Copies of the approved supply list (4th edition) (ISBN 0 7176 1641 X) and the approved supply list supplement (ISBN 0 7176 1683 5) are available from Dillons Books, 44-46 Fountain Street, Belfast BT1 5EE or from HSE Books, PO Box 1999, Sudbury, Suffolk, CO10 6FS.

5. In Great Britain the corresponding Regulations are the Chemicals (Hazard Information and Packaging for Supply) (Amendment) Regulations 1999 (S.I.1999/197). The Health and Safety Executive has prepared a regulatory impact assessment in relation to those Regulations and a copy of that assessment, together with a Northern Ireland Supplement prepared by the Department of Economic Development, is held at the offices of the Health and Safety Executive for Northern Ireland at 83 Ladas Drive, Belfast BT6 9FR, from where copies may be obtained on request.