

## 1976 No. 2232 (S.184)

FOOD AND DRUGS  
COMPOSITION AND LABELLINGThe Colouring Matter in Food (Scotland) Amendment  
Regulations 1976

<i>Made</i> - - - -	21st December 1976
<i>Laid before Parliament</i>	12th January 1977
<i>Coming into Operation—</i> <i>Except as provided in</i>	
<i>Regulation 1(1)(a) and (b)</i>	2nd February 1977
<i>In all respects</i> - - -	1st January 1978

In exercise of the powers conferred on me by sections 4, 7 and 56 of the Food and Drugs (Scotland) Act 1956(a) as amended by section 4(1) of, and paragraph 3(1) of Schedule 4 to, the European Communities Act 1972(b), and of all other powers enabling me in that behalf, and after consultation with such organisations as appear to me to be representative of interests substantially affected by these regulations and after reference to the Scottish Food Hygiene Council under section 25 of the said Act of 1956 (insofar as the regulations are made in exercise of the powers conferred by the said section 7) I hereby make the following regulations:—

*Citation, commencement and interpretation*

1.—(1) These regulations may be cited as the Colouring Matter in Food (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 1976, and shall come into operation on 2nd February 1977 except that—

- (a) the amendments made by regulation 2 hereof shall not have effect for the purposes of regulation 4 (which relates to the sale etc. of food containing colouring matter) and 5 (which prohibits the use of added colouring matter in specified foods but exempts husks containing nuts from the prohibition) of the Colouring Matter in Food (Scotland) Regulations 1973(c), as amended(d), and of any other regulation made under section 4 or 7 of the Food and Drugs (Scotland) Act 1956 until 1st January 1978;
- (b) regulation 3 hereof shall come into operation on 1st January 1978.

(2) The Interpretation Act 1889(e) shall apply for the interpretation of these regulations as it applies for the interpretation of an Act of Parliament.

*Amendment of the Colouring Matter in Food (Scotland) Regulations 1973*

2. The Colouring Matter in Food (Scotland) Regulations 1973, as amended shall be further amended—

- (a) by deleting from the table in Part I of Schedule 1 thereto (which describes permitted colouring matters) and from Part II of the

(a) 1956 c. 30.

(b) 1972 c. 68.

(c) S.I. 1973/1310 (1973 II, p. 3961)

(d) The relevant amending instrument is S.I. 1975/1595 (1975 III, p. 5484). (e) 1889 c. 63

Schedule (which specifies the specific purity criteria relating to those colouring matters) the items relating to the following colouring matters:—

Fast Yellow AB E105,  
Orchil or Orcein E121,  
Solanthrene Blue RS or Anthragen Blue or Indanthrene Blue E130,  
Black 7984 E152,  
Burnt Umber E181;

(b) by deleting from Column 2 of Schedule 3 thereto (which specifies colouring matters permitted only in certain foods) the entry “ Burnt Umber ” in the item relating to hard cheese.

*Amendment of the Cheese (Scotland) Regulations 1970*

3. The Cheese (Scotland) Regulations 1970(a), as amended(b), shall be further amended by deleting from paragraph (d)(iii) of regulation 11 thereof (which specifies permitted colouring matters which may be included as ingredients in processed cheese and cheese spread) the words “ orchil (orcein) ”.

*Bruce Millan,*

One of Her Majesty's Principal  
Secretaries of State.

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Edinburgh.  
21st December 1976.

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EXPLANATORY NOTE

*(This Note is not part of the Regulations.)*

These Regulations, which further amend the Colouring Matter in Food (Scotland) Regulations 1973, remove the colouring matters Fast Yellow AB E105, Orchil or Orcein E121, Solanthrene Blue RS or Anthragen Blue or Indanthrene Blue E130, Black 7984 E152 and Burnt Umber E181 from the list of colouring matters permitted in or on food.

The amendments come into operation on 2nd February 1977 except that for the purposes of Regulation 4 (which relates to the sale etc. of food containing colouring matter) and 5 (which prohibits the use of added colouring matter in specified foods but exempts husks containing nuts from the prohibition) of the principal regulations, and for the purposes of any other regulations made under sections 4 or 7 of the Food and Drugs (Scotland) Act 1956, they do not take effect until 1st January 1978.

A consequential amendment to the Cheese (Scotland) Regulations 1970, as amended, is included (Regulation 3) and this also comes into operation on 1st January 1978. This amendment removes orchil (orcein) from the list of permitted colouring matters in processed cheese and cheese spread.

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(a) S.I. 1970/108 (1970 I, p. 464).

(b) The relevant amending instruments S.I. 1974/1337 (1974 II, p. 5056).



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