### 1977 No. 146

#### WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

# Weights and Measures (Dried Fruits) Order (Northern Ireland) 1977

Coming into operation . . . . 1st August 1977

To be laid before Parliament under paragraph 3(3) of Schedule 1 to the Northern Ireland Act 1974

The Department(a) of Commerce, after consultation with such organisations as appear to it to be representative of interests substantially affected by this Order and consideration of the representations made to it by such organisations with respect to the subject matter of this Order, in exercise of the powers conferred on it by section 15(2) and (3) of the Weights and Measures Act (Northern Ireland) 1967(b) (in this Order referred to as "the Act") and of every other power enabling it in that behalf, hereby makes the following Order:

## Citation, commencement and interpretation

- 1.—(1) This Order may be cited as the Weights and Measures (Dried Fruits) Order (Northern Ireland) 1977 and shall come into operation on 1st August 1977.
- (2) In this Order "dried fruits" means dried fruits of any one or more of the following descriptions, that is to say, apples (including dried apple rings), apricots, currants, dates, figs, muscatels, nectarines, peaches, pears (including dried pear rings), prunes, raisins, sultanas and dried fruit salad.

#### Revocation

2. The Weights and Measures (Dried Fruits) Order (Northern Ireland) 1976(c) is hereby revoked.

#### Control of sale

3. Dried fruits which are not pre-packed shall be sold by retail only by net weight.

## Pre-packing requirement

- 4. Dried fruits shall be pre-packed—
- (a) except where made up in a quantity not exceeding 75g or exceeding 10kg, only if they are made up in one of the following quantities by net weight, that is to say—
  - (i) 4 oz, 8 oz, 12 oz, 1 lb,  $1\frac{1}{2}$  lb, or a multiple of 1 lb; or
  - (ii) 125g, 250g, 375g, 500g, 1 kg, or a multiple of 1 kg; and
- (b) except where made up in a quantity not exceeding 25g, only if the container is marked with an indication of quantity by net weight.

<sup>(</sup>a) Formerly Ministry: see 1973 c. 36 s. 40 and Sch. 5 para. 8(1)

<sup>(</sup>b) 1967 c. 6 (N.I.) (c) S.R. 1976 No. 197

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of Commerce for Northern Ireland on 24th May 1977.

(L.S.)

W. T. McCrory

Assistant Secretary

## EXPLANATORY NOTE

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

The Weights and Measures (Dried Fruits) Order (Northern Ireland) 1976 provided that Part IX of Schedule 2 to the Weights and Measures Act should cease to apply to dried fruits, stipulated permitted imperial and metric prepacking sizes and required dried fruits which are not pre-packed to be sold by retail only by net weight.

This Order which revokes that of 1976 makes similar provision but amends the range of permitted metric sizes.

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As this Order has been classified as local it is not printed at legnth in this volume. A summary is given in the List of Statutory Rules of a Local Character under the heading of ROADS.

## 1977 No. 148

This Order has been exempted from printing by the Statutory Rules Act (Northern Ireland) 1958. A summary is given in the List of Statutory Rules of a Local Character under the heading ROAD TRAFFIC AND VEHICLES.