

## 1972. No. 218

## EXPLOSIVES

## Control of Nitro-Benzene

EXPLOSIVES (No. 2) REGULATIONS (NORTHERN IRELAND) 1972

*Made* . . . . . 7th September 1972*Coming into operation* . . . . . 18th September 1972*To be laid before the Parliament of the United Kingdom under paragraph 4(5)(b) of the Schedule to the Northern Ireland (Temporary Provisions) Act 1972.*

WHEREAS by Article 3 of the Explosives (Northern Ireland) Order 1972(a) it is provided that the powers exercisable by the Minister of Home Affairs for Northern Ireland to make regulations under section 3 of the Explosives Act (Northern Ireland) 1970(b) for controlling or regulating the manufacture, sale, acquisition, transfer, storing, transportation, handling, use or disposal of explosives within the meaning of the said section 3 shall also be exercisable in respect of any substance to which Article 3(1) of the said Order applies and that Article by Article 3(2) thereof applies to any substance which is capable of being used, whether by itself or in combination with anything else, as an explosive and which appears to the said Minister likely to be so used for unlawful purposes:

AND WHEREAS by subsection (1)(a) of section 1 of the Northern Ireland (Temporary Provisions) Act 1972(c) it is provided that so long as that section has effect all functions which apart from that Act belong to any Minister of Northern Ireland shall be discharged by the Secretary of State and by paragraph 2(1) of the Schedule to that Act it is provided that the Secretary of State may by Order appoint such persons as he sees fit to discharge any functions exercisable by him by virtue of section 1(1) of that Act other than as therein mentioned:

AND WHEREAS by Order dated the 24th May 1972 the Secretary of State appointed any person for the time being holding office as a Minister of State or Parliamentary Under Secretary of State in the Northern Ireland Office to discharge the functions exercisable under section 3 of the Explosives Act (Northern Ireland) 1970:

AND WHEREAS by Order dated 11th August 1972 the Secretary of State appointed any person for the time being holding office as a Minister of State or Parliamentary Under Secretary of State in the Northern Ireland office to discharge any functions exercisable by him by virtue of section 1(1) of the Northern Ireland (Temporary Provisions) Act 1972 other than as therein mentioned and including Article 3(2) of the Explosives (Northern Ireland) Order 1972:

(a) S.I. 1972. No. 730 (N.I. 3).  
 (b) 1970. c. 10 (N.I.).

(c) 1972. c. 22.

AND WHEREAS it appears to me, Lord Windlesham, Minister of State, that the substance specified in these Regulations is likely to be used, whether by itself or in combination with other things, for unlawful purposes as an explosive:

NOW THEREFORE, in exercise of the powers conferred upon me by section 3 of the Explosives Act (Northern Ireland) 1970 and Article 3 of the Explosives (Northern Ireland) Order 1972 and by virtue of section 1(1) of the Northern Ireland (Temporary Provisions) Act 1972 and paragraph 2(1) of the Schedule to that Act and of the Orders of Appointment dated the 24th May 1972 and 11th August 1972 and of all other powers enabling me in that behalf I hereby make the following Regulations:—

*Citation and commencement*

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Explosives (No. 2) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1972 and shall come into operation on 18th September 1972.

*Prohibition on manufacture, etc., of nitro-benzene*

2. A person shall not manufacture, sell, acquire, transfer, store, transport, handle, use or dispose of nitro-benzene except under and in accordance with the terms of a licence from the Ministry of Home Affairs.

Dated this 7th day of September 1972.

*Windlesham,*  
Minister of State.

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EXPLANATORY NOTE

*(This note is not part of the Regulations, but is intended to indicate their general purport.)*

With effect from 18th September 1972 these Regulations make it an offence for anyone to manufacture, sell, acquire, transfer, store, transport, handle, use or dispose of nitro-benzene except under licence from the Ministry of Home Affairs.

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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 and Orders of a Local Character under the heading ROADS.