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## EXPLOSIVES

## Explosives (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1973

Made . . . . . 4th June 1973

Coming into operation . . . . . 1st July 1973

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.

REGULATIONS, DATED 4TH JUNE 1973, MADE BY THE SECRETARY OF STATE UNDER SECTION 3 OF THE EXPLOSIVES ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND) 1970 AND ARTICLE 3 OF THE EXPLOSIVES (NORTHERN IRELAND) ORDER 1972.

In exercise of the powers conferred upon me by section 3 of the Explosives Act (Northern Ireland) 1970(a), Article 3 of the Explosives (Northern Ireland) Order 1972(b) and section 1(1) of the Northern Ireland (Temporary Provisions) Act 1972(c) 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 (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1973 and shall come into operation on 1st July 1973.

*Amendment of regulation on control of sodium chlorate*

2. In paragraph (1) of regulation 2 in the Explosives Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1972(d) after the words “(d) sodium chlorate;” there shall be inserted the following words—

“or

- (e) any mixture containing sodium chlorate except where it contains—
- (i) not less than 13% by weight of water, and
  - (ii) not less than 30% by weight of calcium chloride dihydrate, and
  - (iii) a sufficient inorganic anti-segregation agent to prevent the separation of liquid and solid phases under the normal conditions of transport, storage and handling and being an anti-segregation agent which is not capable of chemical reaction with sodium chlorate;”

Dated this 4th day of June 1973.

*W. S. I. Whitelaw,*  
One of Her Majesty's Principal  
Secretaries of State.

(a) 1970. c. 10 (N.I.).

(b) S.I. 1972, No. 730 (N.I. 3).

(c) 1972. c. 22.

(d) S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1972, No. 118.

## EXPLANATORY NOTE

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

The Explosives Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1972 prohibited the manufacture, sale, purchase or acquisition, possession or control or use of sodium chlorate except under a licence from the Ministry of Home Affairs. These Regulations exempt a sodium chlorate mixture which cannot be used as an explosive or in the manufacture of explosives from this prohibition.