



# Prices Act 1974

## 1974 CHAPTER 24

### 4 Price marking

- (1) The Secretary of State may by order make provision for securing that prices are indicated on or in relation to goods offered or exposed for sale by retail, being goods of a description to which the order applies.
- (2) Without prejudice to the generality of subsection (1) above, an order under this section—
  - (a) may make provision as to the manner in which any price is to be indicated ;
  - (b) may require that the price to be indicated on or in relation to any goods shall be, or shall include, a price expressed by reference to such unit or units of measurement as may be specified in the order;
  - (c) may, in relation to goods subject to value added tax, make provision as to the circumstances in which the price to be indicated may or may not be exclusive of the tax and as to the indication to be given of the tax included in, or payable in addition to, the price;
  - (d) may make different provision in relation to different circumstances and may contain such supplementary provisions as the Secretary of State thinks necessary or expedient.
- (3) Subsection (6) of section 2 above shall apply to an order under this section as it applies to an order under subsection (1)(a) of that section.
- (4) The power to make an order under this section shall be exercisable by statutory instrument and includes power to vary or revoke a previous order; and a statutory instrument containing an order under this section shall be subject to annulment in pursuance of a resolution of either House of Parliament.
- (5) In the application of this section to Northern Ireland for any reference to the Secretary of State there shall be substituted a reference to the Department of Commerce for Northern Ireland and any order made by the Department under this section shall be subject to negative resolution within the meaning of section 41(6) of the Interpretation Act (Northern Ireland) 1954 as if it were a statutory instrument within the meaning of that Act; and subsection (4) above shall not apply to any such order except in so far as that subsection confers a power to vary or revoke a previous order.