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## LICENSING (LIQUOR)

**The Licensing Act 1964 (Amendment) Regulations 1979**

<i>Made - - - -</i>	<i>19th November 1979</i>
<i>Laid before Parliament</i>	<i>28th November 1979</i>
<i>Coming into Operation</i>	<i>1st January 1980</i>

The Secretary of State, being a Minister designated(a) for the purposes of section 2(2) of the European Communities Act 1972(b) in relation to the method of determining or expressing alcoholic strength, in exercise of the powers conferred by that section, hereby makes the following Regulations:—

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Licensing Act 1964 (Amendment) Regulations 1979 and shall come into operation on 1st January 1980.

2. Section 167(1) of the Licensing Act 1964(c) shall be amended by the substitution, in paragraph (a), for the words “(computed as proof spirit)”, of the words “(containing a quantity of ethyl alcohol amounting to 57 per cent. of the volume of the liquor inclusive of the alcohol contained in it as at 20°C)”.

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One of Her Majesty's Principal  
Secretaries of State.

Home Office.  
19th November 1979.

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 (a) S.I. 1977/1718.

(b) 1972 c. 68.

(c) 1964 c. 26.

## EXPLANATORY NOTE

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

These Regulations amend section 167(1) of the Licensing Act 1964, which excludes liqueur chocolates from the provisions of the Act, provided that the proportion of intoxicating liquor (computed as proof spirit) in the confectionery does not exceed the amount specified in the section. The Regulations replace the reference to proof spirit with a reference to the quantity of alcohol contained in the liquor expressed as a percentage of the volume of the liquor, so as to conform with Council Directive No. 76/766/EEC (O.J. No. L262, 27.9.1976, p. 149), which relates to the method of determining or expressing the alcoholic strength of mixtures of water and ethanol.

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