
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2018 No. 451

**The Poisons Act 1972 (Explosives
Precursors) (Amendment) Regulations 2018**

Citation, commencement and interpretation

1.—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the Poisons Act 1972 (Explosives Precursors) (Amendment) Regulations 2018.

(2) Subject to paragraphs (3) and (4), these Regulations come into force on 1st May 2018.

(3) Regulation 2(1) and (2)(a) comes into force on 1st July 2018 for the purposes of—

- (a) the offence, by virtue of section 3(1) and (2)(a) of the Act, of importing a regulated substance⁽¹⁾;
- (b) the offence, by virtue of section 3(1) and (2)(b) of the Act, of acquiring a regulated substance, and
- (c) the offences under section 3A(1), (3) and (4) of the Act, relating to supply of regulated substances⁽²⁾.

(4) Regulation 2(1) and (2)(a) comes into force on 1st November 2018 for the purposes of—

- (a) the offence, by virtue of section 3(1) and (2)(c) of the Act, of possessing a regulated substance, and
- (b) the offence, by virtue of section 3(1) and (2)(d) of the Act, of using a regulated substance.

(5) In these Regulations, “the Act” means the Poisons Act 1972.

(1) Section 3 is substituted by paragraph 4 of Schedule 21 to the Deregulation Act 2015.

(2) Section 3A is substituted by paragraph 4 of Schedule 21 to the Deregulation Act 2015.