1957 No. 940

The Agriculture (First Aid) Regulations, 1957

Made - - - -	*30th May*, 1957
Laid before Parliament	*3rd June*, 1957
Coming into Operation	*1st August*, 1957

The Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food and the Secretary of State for Scotland, acting jointly, in exercise of the powers conferred on them by subsections (1), (2) and (3) of section 6 of the Agriculture (Safety, Health and Welfare Provisions) Act, 1956(a), and of all other powers enabling them in that behalf, after consultation with such organisations as appear to them to represent the interests concerned, hereby make the following regulations:—

Citation, extent and commencement

1. These regulations which may be cited as the Agriculture (First Aid) Regulations, 1957, shall apply to Great Britain, and shall come into operation on the first day of August, nineteen hundred and fifty-seven.

Interpretation

2.—(1) In these regulations—

"the Act" means the Agriculture (Safety, Health and Welfare Provisions) Act, 1956;

"box" includes cupboard;

"the British Pharmaceutical Codex" means the book published by that name by the Pharmaceutical Society of Great Britain;

"agriculture", "agricultural unit", "worker", "employer", and "employed" have the meanings respectively assigned to them, as respects England and Wales, by subsection (1) of section 24 of the Act, and, as respects Scotland, by that subsection as applied by subsection (10) of section 25 of the Act.

(2) The Interpretation Act, 1889(b), applies to the interpretation of these regulations as it applies to the interpretation of an Act of Parliament.

Contents of first aid box

3. For the purposes of paragraph (*a*) of subsection (1) of section 6 of the Act (which provides that a worker employed in agriculture shall not be employed to work on an agricultural unit unless there is provided thereon a first aid box or cupboard which contains first aid requisites and appliances of such descriptions and in such quantities as may be prescribed by regulations applicable to the part of Great Britain in which the unit is situate) the first aid requisites and appliances to be provided shall be—

(*a*) of the descriptions specified in the first column of Part I of the Schedule to these regulations; and

(*b*) in relation to workers of the number mentioned at the head of the second and third columns respectively of the said Part I, of the respective quantities specified in the appropriate column opposite each item mentioned in the said first column.

(a) 4 & 5 Eliz. 2. c. 49. (b) 52 & 53 Vict. c. 63.

First aid containers

4.—(1) The employer of workers employed in agriculture on an agricultural unit (whether or not he is the occupier of the unit) shall, subject to the provisions of this regulation, at all times provide one container of first aid requisites and appliances for each 30 workers employed by him on the unit:

Provided that an employer shall not be required to provide more than three containers on any one unit.

(2) For the purposes of paragraph (1) of this regulation:—

(*a*) in determining the number of workers on an agricultural unit any number less than 30 shall be reckoned as 30; and

(*b*) in determining the number of workers in the employment of an employer who provides a first aid box the following number of workers shall be disregarded:

(i) where a first aid box is provided containing the quantity of first aid requisites and appliances specified in the second column of Part I of the Schedule to these regulations, 3 workers; or

(ii) where a first aid box is provided containing the quantity of first aid requisites and appliances specified in the third column of the said Part I, 10 workers;

(*c*) where a worker, employed in agriculture, works on an agricultural unit of which his employer is not the occupier, then, provided that no monetary consideration exists for such an arrangement between the occupier of the unit and the employer, the worker shall be deemed to be in the employment of the occupier of the unit.

(3) The first aid requisites and appliances in each container shall be of the descriptions specified in the first column, and of the respective quantities specified in the second column opposite each item in the first column, of Part II of the Schedule to these regulations.

(4) Any such container as aforesaid shall be kept at such place on the agricultural unit as will make it accessible to the workers for whom it is provided, and it shall be conspicuously marked on the outside with the words "First Aid".

Standard of requisites and appliances

5. Any first aid requisite or appliance specified in the Schedule to these regulations that is contained in the British Pharmaceutical Codex or any supplement thereto shall be of a grade or quality not lower than the standard therein prescribed for that requisite or appliance.

In witness whereof the Official Seal of the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food is hereunto affixed this twenty-ninth day of May, nineteen hundred and fifty-seven.

(L.S.)

D. Heathcoat Amory,
Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food.

Given under the Seal of the Secretary of State for Scotland this thirtieth day of May, nineteen hundred and fifty-seven.

(L.S.)

John S. Maclay,
Secretary of State for Scotland.

SCHEDULE

PART I

Contents of first aid box to be provided in accordance with section 6 (1) (a) of the Act

Description of Contents Column 1	Quantity to be provided where not more than three workers are employed on an agricultural unit Column 2	Quantity to be provided where more than three workers are employed on an agricultural unit Column 3
1. Sterilised wound dressings:—		
(*a*) finger dressings (containing either absorbent or boric acid lint)	3	6
(*b*) small plain wound dressings	2	3
(*c*) medium plain wound dressings ...	2	3
2. Triangular bandages of which the base shall not be less than 51 inches and each of the other two sides not less than 36 inches ...	2	3
3. Waterproof adhesive wound dressings of the following measurements:—		
1½ inches by 2 inches	3	6
2 inches by 3 inches	3	6
4. Absorbent cotton wool, half-ounce packets	1	2
5. First aid leaflet issued by the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food and the Secretary of State	1	1

PART II

Contents of any container to be provided in accordance with regulation 4 of these regulations

Description of Contents Column 1	Quantities to be provided in each container Column 2
1. Sterilised wound dressings:—	
(*a*) finger dressings (containing either absorbent or boric acid lint)	6
(*b*) small plain wound dressings	3
(*c*) medium plain wound dressings	3
2. Triangular bandages of which the base shall not be less than 51 inches and each of the other two sides not less than 36 inches	3
3. Waterproof adhesive wound dressings of the following measurements:—	
1½ inches by 2 inches	6
2 inches by 3 inches	6
4. Absorbent cotton wool, half-ounce packets	2
5. First aid leaflet issued by the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food and the Secretary of State...	1

EXPLANATORY NOTE

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

These regulations prescribe the descriptions and quantities of first aid requisites and appliances to be provided for the purposes of section 6 (1) of the Agriculture (Safety, Health and Welfare Provisions) Act, 1956, which provides that a worker employed in agriculture shall not be employed to work on an agricultural unit unless there is provided thereon a first aid box or cupboard which contains prescribed first aid requisites and appliances.

The regulations also, in pursuance of subsections (2) and (3) of section 6, require an employer of agricultural workers to provide a first aid container containing prescribed first aid requisites and appliances for each 30 (or fewer) workers employed by him, but no employer is required to provide more than three such containers on any one unit.

Where an employer provides a first-aid box the number of workers for whom the box makes provision may be disregarded in determining the number for whom a container is required.

The regulations apply to Great Britain.

1957 No. 605

The Agriculture (Poisonous Substances) Amendment Regulations, 1957

Made - - - -	*4th April,* 1957
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Coming into Operation	*11th April,* 1957

The Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food and the Secretary of State for Scotland, acting jointly, in exercise of the powers conferred on them by section one of the Agriculture (Poisonous Substances) Act, 1952(a), (as extended to arsenical compounds by the Agriculture (Poisonous Substances) (Arsenical Compounds) Order, 1957(b)), and of all other powers enabling them in that behalf, after consultation with such organisations as appear to them to represent the interests concerned, hereby make the following regulations:—

Citation, extent and commencement

1. These regulations, which may be cited as the Agriculture (Poisonous Substances) Amendment Regulations, 1957, apply to Great Britain and shall come into operation on the eleventh day of April, nineteen hundred and fifty-seven.

Amendment of Agriculture (Poisonous Substances) Regulations, 1956

2. On the coming into operation of these regulations the Agriculture (Poisonous Substances) Regulations, 1956(c), shall have effect as if there were included,—

(*a*) after item 9 in Part II of the First Schedule to those regulations (which Part contains a list of operations, in relation to specified poisonous

(a) 15 & 16 Geo. 6 & 1 Eliz. 2. c. 60. (b) S.I. 1957/320 (p. 81 below).
(c) S.I. 1956/445 (1956 I, p. 54).