STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1961 No. 626

AGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT

SAFETY, HEALTH AND WELFARE

The Agriculture (Poisonous Substances) Amendment Regulations, 1961

Made - - - -	*29th March*, 1961
Laid before Parliament	*5th April*, 1961
Coming into Operation	*6th April*, 1961

The Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food and the Secretary of State, acting jointly, in exercise of the powers conferred on them by section 1 of the Agriculture (Poisonous Substances) Act, 1952(a) (as extended by the Agriculture (Poisonous Substances) (Extension) Order, 1960(b), to the substances therein mentioned), 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.—(1) These regulations may be cited as the Agriculture (Poisonous Substances) Amendment Regulations, 1961, and together with the Agriculture (Poisonous Substances) Regulations, 1956 to 1960(c), may be cited as the Agriculture (Poisonous Substances) Regulations, 1956 to 1961.

(2) These regulations apply to Great Britain and shall come into operation on the 6th day of April, 1961.

Amendment of the Agriculture (Poisonous Substances) Regulations, 1956

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

(*a*) there were deleted from Part II of the Second Schedule to those regulations (which Schedule specifies the poisonous substances to which those regulations apply) the entry contained in Part I of the Schedule to these regulations; and

(*b*) there were included in Parts II and III of the Second Schedule to those regulations the entries contained in Parts II and III respectively of the Schedule to these regulations.

Interpretation

3. These regulations shall be construed as one with the Agriculture (Poisonous Substances) Regulations, 1956 to 1960.

(a) 15 & 16 Geo. 6 & 1 Eliz. 2. c. 60. (b) S.I. 1960/398 (1960 I, p. 83).
(c) S.I. 1956/445, 1957/605, 1958/566, 1960/793 (1956 I, p. 54; 1957 I, p. 79; 1958 I, p. 70; 1960 I, p. 81).

In Witness whereof the Official Seal of the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food is hereunto affixed this twenty-eighth day of March, nineteen hundred and sixty-one.

(L.S.) *Christopher Soames,*
Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food.

Given under the Seal of the Secretary of State for Scotland this twenty-ninth day of March, nineteen hundred and sixty-one.

(L.S.) *John S. Maclay,*
Secretary of State for Scotland.

SCHEDULE

PART I

Common Name	*Substance*
——	*S*-(3, 4-dihydro-4-oxobenzo-(1, 2, 3) triazin-3-yl) methyl *OO*-dimethyl phosphorothiolothionate.

PART II

Common Name	*Substance*
——	6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 10-hexachloro-1, 5, 5a, 6, 9, 9a-hexahydro-6, 9-methano-2, 4, 3-benzo(*e*)dioxathiepine 3-oxide.

PART III

Common Name	*Substance*
azinphos-methyl	*S*-(3, 4-dihydro-4-oxobenzo[*d*]-[1, 2, 3]-triazin-3-ylmethyl) dimethyl phosphorothiolothionate.
ethion ...	tetraethyl *SS'*-methylene bis(phosphorothiolothionate).
mecarbam ...	*S*-(*N*-ethoxycarbonyl-*N*-methylcarbamoylmethyl) diethyl phosphorothiolothionate.
phenkapton	*S*-(2, 5-dichlorophenylthiomethyl) diethyl phosphorothiolothionate.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

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

By virtue of the Agriculture (Poisonous Substances) Regulations, 1956 to 1960, workers to whom those Regulations apply may not, and their employers may not cause or permit them to, carry out certain scheduled operations with substances specified in those Regulations unless the prescribed safety measures, including the wearing of protective clothing are observed.

These Regulations add to the poisonous substances so specified four further poisonous substances:—

(1) a substance bearing the trade name "Thiodan";

(2) ethion;

(3) mecarbam; and

(4) phenkapton.

The first of these substances is included within the group to which the Agriculture (Poisonous Substances) Act, 1952, was extended by the Agriculture (Poisonous Substances) (Extension) Order, 1960 (S.I. 1960/398). The other three substances are organo-phosphorus compounds.

In addition, the substance known by the trade name of "Gusathion", which now has the agreed common name of azinphos-methyl, has been transferred from Part II to Part III of the Second Schedule to the 1956 Regulations (as amended).