1959 No. 2080

The Building Operations (First-aid Boxes) Order, 1959

Made - - - - *7th December*, 1959
Coming into Operation *1st January*, 1960

The Minister of Labour in pursuance of Regulation 80 of the Building (Safety, Health and Welfare) Regulations, 1948(a), hereby prescribes the equipment and materials to be contained in the first-aid boxes or cases which that Regulation requires to be provided for building sites.

Citation, commencement and revocation

1.—(1) This Order may be cited as the Building Operations (First-aid Boxes) Order, 1959, and shall come into operation on the first day of January, 1960.

(2) Article one of, and the Schedule to, the Building Operations (First-Aid and Ambulance Room Equipment) Order, 1948(b), are hereby revoked.

Interpretation

2.—(1) The Interpretation Act, 1889(c), shall apply to the interpretation of this Order as it applies to the interpretation of an Act of Parliament, and as if this Order and the said Order of 1948 were Acts of Parliament.

(2) In this Order the expression "approved" means approved for the time being by certificate of the Chief Inspector.

Contents of first-aid boxes or cases

3. Each first-aid box or case provided for any site shall contain the equipment and materials specified in the case of that site in the Schedule to this Order.

Requirements as to dressings

4. All materials for dressings contained in first-aid boxes or cases shall be those designated in, and of a grade or quality not lower than the standards specified by, the British Pharmaceutical Codex including any supplement thereto being a supplement current at the date of this Order or approved for the purposes of this Order.

Signed by Order of the Minister of Labour this seventh day of December, 1959.

Guildhaume Myrddin-Evans,
Deputy Secretary,
Ministry of Labour.

SCHEDULE

Contents of First-aid Boxes or Cases

Part I

Sites where the number of persons employed exceeds ten but does not exceed twenty-five

(i) A copy of the leaflet giving advice on first-aid treatment (Form 1008) issued by the Minister of Labour.

(a) S.I. 1948/1145 (Rev. VII, p. 191: 1948 I, p. 953).
(b) S.I. 1948/2372 (Rev. VII, p. 136: 1948 I, p. 993).
(c) 52 & 53 Vict. c. 63.

(ii) A sufficient number (not less than six) of small sterilized unmedicated dressings for injured fingers.

(iii) A sufficient number (not less than three) of medium-sized sterilized unmedicated dressings for injured hands or feet.

(iv) A sufficient number (not less than three) of large sterilized unmedicated dressings for other injured parts.

(v) A sufficient number (not less than twelve) of adhesive wound dressings of an approved type and of assorted sizes.

(vi) A sufficient number (not less than two) of triangular bandages of unbleached calico, the longest side of which measures not less than fifty-one inches and each of the other sides not less than thirty-six inches.

(vii) A sufficient supply of adhesive plaster.

(viii) A sufficient supply of absorbent sterilized cotton wool in half-ounce packets.

(ix) A sufficient supply of approved eye ointment in a container of an approved type and size.

(x) A sufficient number (not less than two) of sterilized eye-pads in separate sealed packets.

(xi) A rubber bandage or pressure bandage.

(xii) Safety pins.

PART II

Sites where the number of persons employed exceeds twenty-five

(i) A copy of the leaflet giving advice on first-aid treatment (Form 1008) issued by the Minister of Labour.

(ii) A sufficient number (not less than twenty-four) of small sterilized unmedicated dressings for injured fingers.

(iii) A sufficient number (not less than twelve) of medium-sized sterilized unmedicated dressings for injured hands or feet.

(iv) A sufficient number (not less than twelve) of large sterilized unmedicated dressings for other injured parts.

(v) A sufficient number (not less than thirty-six) of adhesive wound dressings of an approved type and of assorted sizes.

(vi) A sufficient number (not less than eight) of triangular bandages of unbleached calico, the longest side of which measures not less than fifty-one inches and each of the other sides not less than thirty-six inches.

(vii) A sufficient supply of adhesive plaster.

(viii) A sufficient supply of absorbent sterilized cotton wool in half-ounce packets.

(ix) A sufficient supply of approved eye ointment in a container of an approved type and size.

(x) A sufficient number (not less than eight) of sterilized eye-pads in separate sealed packets.

(xi) A rubber bandage or pressure bandage.

(xii) Safety pins.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

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

This Order prescribes the contents of the first-aid boxes or cases required to be provided for building sites and replaces the corresponding provisions in the Building Operations (First-Aid and Ambulance Room Equipment) Order, 1948.