hundred and sixty-one, to be the day upon which all the provisions of the said Act shall come into operation.

Given under my hand this sixteenth day of February, nineteen hundred and sixty-one.

Glentoran,
Minister of Commerce for Northern Ireland.

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FOOD AND DRUGS

Composition—Flour

REGULATIONS, DATED 16TH FEBRUARY, 1961, MADE BY THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNDER SECTIONS 4 AND 68 OF THE FOOD AND DRUGS ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1958.

The Ministry of Health and Local Government, in exercise of the powers conferred upon it by Sections 4 and 68 of the Food and Drugs Act (Northern Ireland), 1958(a), having consulted with such organisations as appear to it to be representative of interests substantially affected by these regulations, hereby makes the following regulations:—

Citation and commencement

1. These regulations may be cited as the Flour (Composition) Regulations (Northern Ireland), 1961, and shall come into operation on the 13th day of March, 1961.

Interpretation

2. In these regulations—

"the Act" means the Food and Drugs Act (Northern Ireland), 1958;

"creta praeparata" means the substance so described in the British Pharmacopoeia or the British Pharmaceutical Codex, which conforms to the standards laid down therein and which is of granularity standard—

(i) not more than 0·1 per centum to remain on a 100 mesh sieve, and

(ii) not more than 0·2 per centum to remain on a 240 mesh sieve;

"flour" means the product derived from or separated during the milling or grinding of wheat (other than wheat offals and wheat germ separated for disposal as such) and includes meal and any flour derived wholly or partly from wheat that, before being ground or milled, has been malted or subjected to any process, but does not include semolina.

3. Subject to the provisions of these regulations, any flour described in the first column of the Schedule which is intended for sale for human consumption shall contain the substances specified in relation thereto in the second column of the Schedule.

(a) 1958. c. 27.

4. No person shall sell, offer or expose or have in his possession for sale, consign or deliver any flour which does not comply with regulation 3:

Provided that this regulation shall not apply as respects any sale, offer or exposure or having in possession for sale, consignment or delivery of flour—

(*a*) to the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food, or to any person authorised to purchase the flour on his behalf, for stockpiling or experimental purposes;

(*b*) for use in the manufacture of communion wafers, matzos, gluten, starch or any concentrated preparation for use for the purpose of facilitating the addition to flour of the nutrients referred to in the Schedule;

(*c*) for use in hospitals for the purposes of diagnosis, treatment and research;

(*d*) for exportation to a destination outside the United Kingdom.

Penalties

5. If any person contravenes or fails to comply with any of the provisions of these regulations he shall be guilty of an offence and shall be liable on summary conviction—

(*a*) to a fine not exceeding one hundred pounds or to imprisonment for a term not exceeding three months, or to both such fine and such imprisonment; and

(*b*) in the case of a continuing offence, to a further fine not exceeding five pounds for each day during which the offence continues after conviction.

Legal Proceedings—Application of Act

6. In any prosecution for an offence under these regulations the relevant provisions of Sections 46, 48, 50 and 53 of the Act shall apply.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Ministry of Health and Local Government for Northern Ireland this 16th day of February, nineteen hundred and sixty-one, in the presence of

(L.S.) *J. L. O. Andrews,*
Minister of Health and Local Government.

SCHEDULE

Description of Flour	*Compositional Requirement*
All flour other than flour containing the whole of the products derived from the milling of wheat.	To contain creta praeparata as follows:— (i) Not less than 235 milligrams per 100 grams of flour, and (ii) Not more than 390 milligrams per 100 grams of flour.
All flour	To contain quantities of the undermentioned nutrients as follows:— Iron .. .. Not less than 1·65 milligrams Vitamin B_1 .. .. Not less than 0·24 milligrams Nicotinic acid or nicotinamide Not less than 1·60 milligrams per 100 grams of flour; such nutrients to be added (where addition is necessary), in the case of iron, in the form of reduced iron (ferrum redactum) or ferric ammonium citrate and, in the case of vitamin B_1, nicotinic acid and nicotinamide, in a form conforming to the standards of the British Pharmacopoeia or the British Pharmaceutical Codex.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

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

These regulations prescribe compositional requirements as respects certain nutrients in all flour and as respects creta praeparata in all flour other than flour containing the whole of the products derived from the milling of wheat.

The regulations do not apply in relation to flour on its sale to the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food for stockpiling or experimental purposes, to flour for the manufacture of concentrated preparations of nutrients, gluten, starch, communion wafers or matzos, or to flour sold for export or for use in hospitals for the purposes of diagnosis, treatment and research.

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As this Order has been classified as local it is not printed at length in this volume. A summary is given in the List of Statutory Rules and Orders of a Local Character under the heading ROAD TRAFFIC.

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