STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1972 No. 307 (S.21)

FOOD AND DRUGS

COMPOSITION

The Food (Control of Irradiation) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 1972

Made - - -	*24th February* 1972
Laid before Parliament	*10th March* 1972
Coming into Operation	*1st April* 1972

In exercise of the powers conferred on me by sections 4 and 56 of the Food and Drugs (Scotland) Act 1956(**a**) and of all other powers enabling me in that behalf, and after consultation with such organisations as appear to me to be representative of interests substantially affected by these regulations, I hereby make the following regulations :—

Citation and commencement

1. These regulations may be cited as the Food (Control of Irradiation) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 1972 and shall come into operation on 1st April 1972.

Interpretation

2. The Interpretation Act 1889(**b**) shall apply for the interpretation of these regulations as it applies for the interpretation of an Act of Parliament.

Amendment of the Food (Control of Irradiation) (Scotland) Regulations 1967

3. For regulation 4 of the Food (Control of Irradiation) (Scotland) Regulations 1967(**c**), as amended (**d**), (subjection of food to irradiation) there shall be substituted the following regulation :—

"4. No person shall in the preparation of any food subject it to ionising radiation :

Provided that this regulation shall not prohibit the subjection of food to not more than 50 rad of ionising radiation, where the energy of the radiation delivered does not exceed 5,000,000 electron volts, or the subjection to ionising radiation of any food—

(*a*) which is certified by a registered medical practitioner to be intended for consumption by patients who require a sterile diet as an essential factor in their treatment ; and

(**a**) 1956 c. 30. (**b**) 1889 c. 63.
(**c**) S.I. 1967/388 (1967 I, p. 1319). (**d**) S.I. 1969/1038 (1969 II, p. 3073).

(*b*) in respect of which the person who subjects it to ionising radiation so notifies the Secretary of State and keeps records which contain particulars of—

(i) the certification mentioned in paragraph (*a*)

(ii) the food so subjected,

(iii) the quantity of radiation to which it has been subjected, and

(iv) the despatch of the food".

4.—(1) The Food (Control of Irradiation) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 1969 are hereby revoked.

(2) Section 38 of the Interpretation Act 1889 shall apply as if these regulations were an Act of Parliament and as if the regulations revoked by these regulations were an Act of Parliament repealed by an Act of Parliament.

Gordon Campbell,
One of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State.

St. Andrew's House,
EDINBURGH.
24th February 1972.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(*This Note is not part of the Regulations.*)

These Regulations amend the Food (Control of Irradiation) (Scotland) Regulations 1967, as amended by the Food (Control of Irradiation) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 1969, by increasing the low level of irradiation that is permitted under the Regulations from 10 rad to 50 rad.

These Regulations also revoke the Food (Control of Irradiation) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 1969.

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