1953 No. 1545

The Mule Spinning (Health) Special Regulations, 1953

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Coming into Operation	*1st July*, 1954

The Minister of Labour and National Service, by virtue of the powers conferred upon him by section 60 of the Factories Act, 1937(a) (hereinafter referred to as "the principal Act"), section 8 of the Factories Act, 1948(b), and the Transfer of Functions (Factories, &c., Acts) Order, 1946(c), and of all other powers him enabling, hereby makes the following Special Regulations:—

Citation and commencement

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Mule Spinning (Health) Special Regulations, 1953, and shall come into operation on the 1st July, 1954.

Interpretation

2.—(1) The Interpretation Act, 1889(d), applies to the interpretation of these Regulations as it applies to the interpretation of an Act of Parliament.

(2) In these Regulations, unless the context otherwise requires, the following expressions have the meanings hereby assigned to them respectively, that is to say:—

"appointed doctor" means a duly qualified medical practitioner specially appointed under section 126 of the principal Act (as amended by section 7 of the Factories Act, 1948), to be appointed factory doctor for the factory for the purposes of these Regulations or, where there is no such special appointment, the appointed factory doctor for the district in which the factory is situated;

"specified colour" means a Saybolt chromometer colour not darker than + 30 when tested in a manner approved in writing for the time being by the Chief Inspector or such other colour as may be approved in writing for the time being by the Chief Inspector;

"specified viscosity" means a viscosity of not less than sixteen and not more than twenty-one centistokes when tested at one hundred and forty degrees Fahrenheit in a manner approved in writing for the time being by the Chief Inspector;

"white oil" means a hydrocarbon oil of petroleum origin which has been drastically refined with sulphuric acid and conforms to the specified colour and the specified viscosity.

Application of Regulations

3. These Regulations shall apply to every factory in which any of the following processes is carried on by means of self-acting mules, that is to say, the spinning of cotton, the spinning of staple fibre and the spinning of mixtures of cotton and staple fibre, not being a factory in which the only process of spinning carried on is the spinning of waste cotton.

(a) 1 Edw. 8 & 1 Geo. 6. c. 67. (b) 11 & 12 Geo. 6. c. 55.
(c) S.R. & O. 1946/376; Rev. VII, p. 88; 1946 I, p. 1006. (d) 52 & 53 Vict. c. 63.

Exemptions

4. If the Chief Inspector is satisfied in respect of any factory to which these Regulations apply or in respect of any class or description of such factories that by reason of special circumstances in that factory or in such class or description of factories, or for any other reason, all or any of the requirements of these Regulations are not necessary for the protection of persons employed therein, he may by certificate in writing (which he may at his discretion revoke at any time) exempt such factory or any part or parts thereof or such class or description of such factories or any part or parts thereof from the operation of any such requirements, subject to such conditions as may be specified in the certificate, and where such exemption is granted a legible copy of the certificate showing the conditions subject to which it has been granted shall be kept posted up in any factory to which the exemption applies in a position where it may be conveniently read by the persons employed.

Oils for oiling mule spindles

5.—(1) No oil other than the following shall be used for oiling spindles of self-acting mules, that is to say, white oil or oil entirely of animal or vegetable origin or entirely of mixed animal and vegetable origin.

(2) No oil shall be used for oiling spindles of self-acting mules unless there is attached to the general register a certificate from the suppliers of the oil containing a description of the oil and in the case of white oil a statement that it has been tested and found to conform to the specified colour and specified viscosity.

Medical examinations

6.—(1) The occupier shall arrange for every person who is or has been employed in the process of spinning at a self-acting mule to be examined by the appointed doctor within six months of being first so employed and to be examined again at intervals of not more than six months so long as his employment in the factory continues:

Provided that where at the date of the coming into operation of these Regulations a period of six months has elapsed since a person was first employed in the process of spinning at a self-acting mule, the occupier shall arrange for the first examination under this Regulation of that person by the appointed doctor to take place within six months of the said date.

(2) The occupier shall keep, in a form approved by the Chief Inspector, a health register containing the names of all persons who are required to be medically examined under this Regulation.

(3) Not less than one week's notice of every such examination shall be given by the occupier to all concerned and it shall be the duty of persons who are or have been employed in the process of spinning at self-acting mules to submit themselves for examination by the appointed doctor at the appointed times.

(4) The occupier shall provide for the purpose of examinations by the appointed doctor under this Regulation (for the exclusive use of the appointed doctor on the occasion of an examination) a room which shall be properly cleaned and adequately warmed and lighted, and furnished with a screen, a table (with writing materials) and chairs.

Dated this 26th day of October, 1953.

Walter Monckton,

Minister of Labour and National Service.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

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

These Regulations specify the type of oil to be used for oiling mule spindles in factories in which the spinning of cotton, staple fibre, and mixtures of cotton and staple fibre by means of self-acting mules is carried on, and provide for the periodic medical examination of persons engaged in such spinning.

FAMILY ALLOWANCES

1953 No. 1842

The Family Allowances (Australia Reciprocal Arrangements) Regulations, 1953

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Whereas the Minister of National Insurance, with the consent of the Treasury, of the one part, and the Minister of State for Social Services in Australia of the other part have made reciprocal arrangements relating to family allowances in Great Britain and child endowment in Australia and the provisions of such arrangements are contained in the Memorandum of Reciprocal Arrangements set out in the Schedule to these regulations (hereinafter referred to as " the Memorandum "):

And whereas it has been agreed, pursuant to Article 8 of the Memorandum, that the arrangements shall enter into force on the 7th day of January, 1954:

Now, therefore, the Minister of Pensions and National Insurance acting in conjunction with the Treasury in exercise of the powers conferred by Section 25 of the Family Allowances Act, 1945(a), and of all other powers enabling him in that behalf, hereby makes the following regulations:—

1.—(1) These regulations may be cited as the Family Allowances (Australia Reciprocal Arrangements) Regulations, 1953, and shall come into operation on the 7th January, 1954.

(2) References in these regulations to any enactment shall include references to such enactment as amended by any subsequent enactment, order or regulations.

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

2. The provisions contained in the Memorandum shall, as from the 7th January, 1954, have full force and effect so far as the same relate to Great Britain, and the Family Allowances Acts, 1945 and 1952(c), shall have effect subject to such modifications and adaptations of the provisions thereof as may be requisite for giving effect to the provisions contained in the Memorandum or in consequence thereof.

(a) 8 & 9 Geo. 6. c. 41. (b) 52 & 53 Vict. c. 63.
(c) 8 & 9 Geo. 6. c. 41; 15 & 16 Geo. 6 & 1 Eliz. 2. c. 29.