STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1964 No. 1323

SHOPS AND OFFICES

The Offices in Electrical Stations (First Aid) Regulations 1964

Made - - - -	*17th August* 1964
Laid before Parliament	*24th August* 1964
Coming into Operation	*1st December* 1964

The Minister of Labour—

(*a*) by virtue of the powers conferred on him by section 74(2) and (3) of the Offices, Shops and Railway Premises Act 1963(**a**) (hereafter in these Regulations referred to as " the Act of 1963 ") and of all other powers enabling him in that behalf ; and

(*b*) after publishing, pursuant to Schedule 1 to the Act of 1963, notice of the proposal to make the Regulations and not having received any objection to the draft in regard to which he is required by the said Schedule to direct an inquiry to be held,

hereby makes the following special Regulations:—

1.—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the Offices in Electrical Stations (First Aid) Regulations 1964 and shall come into operation on 1st December 1964.

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

2. These Regulations shall apply to office premises to which the Act of 1963 applies, being premises which, but for the operation of section 74(1) (which, for the purposes of section 123(1) (application of Act to electrical stations) of the Factories Act 1961(**c**), excludes from electrical stations office premises comprised therein) of the Act of 1963, would, for the purposes of the said section 123(1) form part of premises to which the said section 123(1) applies.

3. Office premises to which these Regulations apply—

(*a*) shall be excepted from the operation of section 24 (which contains general provisions relating to first aid) of the Act of 1963 ; and

(*b*) shall, notwithstanding the said section 74(1), be deemed for the purposes of section 61 (first aid) of the Factories Act 1961 to form part of the premises of which, but for the said section 74(1), they would, for the purposes of the said section 123(1), form part.

4. For the purposes of the application to premises to which the said section 123(1) applies of subsection (4) of the said section 61 (which, amongst other things, requires that the person under whose charge is placed a first-aid box or cupboard provided in a factory in pursuance of that section must, where more than fifty or other a lower prescribed number of persons are employed, be trained in first-aid treatment), persons employed to work in office premises which, by virtue of these Regulations, are deemed for the

(a) 1963 c. 41. (b) 52 & 53 Vict. c. 63. (c) 9 & 10 Eliz. 2. c. 34.

purposes of the said section 61 to form part of the first-mentioned premises shall be taken into account to a number less than the full number thereof, that is to say, of the persons employed to work at any one time in any such office premises as aforesaid—

(*a*) of every unit of 3 persons, 1 person shall be taken into account ; and

(*b*) of any fraction of a unit of 3 persons, where the fraction consists of 2 persons 1 person shall be taken into account and where the fraction consists of 1 person that person shall be left out of account.

Dated 17th August 1964.

Joseph Godber,
Minister of Labour.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

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

These Regulations provide that office premises which are in electrical stations shall be excepted from the requirements of section 24 of the Offices, Shops and Railway Premises Act 1963 (which relates to the provision of first-aid boxes or cupboards and the qualifications in certain cases of the persons in charge of them) and shall be deemed to be part of the electrical stations for the purposes of section 61 of the Factories Act 1961 (which contains similar requirements as to first aid but differing in detail).

The Regulations also provide that, in reckoning the number of employees in such office premises for the purpose of ascertaining whether the person in charge of a first-aid box or cupboard must be trained in first-aid treatment, only one in three shall be taken into account.