STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1966 No. 734

SAVINGS BANKS

The Savings Banks (Deposits) (Limits) Order 1966

Laid before Parliament in draft

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The Treasury, in exercise of the powers conferred on them by section 4 of the Post Office Savings Bank Act 1954(**a**), section 12 of the Trustee Savings Banks Act 1954(**b**), and section 7(1) of the Post Office Savings Bank Act 1966(**c**), and of all other powers enabling them in that behalf, hereby make the following Order:—

1.—(1) Subject to the provisions of this Order, it shall not be lawful for the Postmaster General to receive a deposit from, or make a credit to an account of, any person by way of investment deposit in any case where the amount standing to the credit of that person by way of investment deposit in the Post Office Savings Bank, whether solely or jointly with any other person, and whether in one or more accounts, exceeds, or would as a result of the receipt of the said deposit or the making of the said credit exceed, £5,000.

(2) The foregoing paragraph shall not operate to prevent the receipt of or the crediting of—

(*a*) any amount allowed by the Post Office Savings Bank to a depositor by way of interest in respect of his investment deposit account; or

(*b*) any amount transferred from the investment deposit account of another depositor in the Post Office Savings Bank who has died.

(3) For the purposes of this Order, a person who is a trustee shall be treated separately in his personal capacity and in his capacity as trustee, and in the latter capacity separately in respect of each separate trust fund; and so much of the property in the hands of a trustee shall be treated as a separate trust fund as is held on trusts which (as respects the beneficiaries or their respective interests or the purposes of the trust or as respects the powers of the trustee) are not identical with those on which other property in his hands is held.

(4) In computing for the purposes of this Order the amount standing to the credit of any person, there shall not be taken into account any amounts received from a trustee on behalf of that person for an account in the joint names of the trustee and that person.

(**a**) 1954 c. 62. (**b**) 1954 c. 63. (**c**) 1966 c. 12.

2. The Savings Banks (Deposits) (Limits) Order 1960(a) as amended(b) shall be further amended by substituting for paragraph (1) of article 1 thereof the following paragraph :—

" (1) Subject to the provisions of this Order, it shall not be lawful for the Postmaster General to receive a deposit from, or make a credit to an account of, any person by way of ordinary deposit, or for a trustee savings bank to receive a deposit from, or make a credit to an account of, any person by way of savings account deposit (as defined by section 1(3) of the Trustee Savings Banks Act 1964(c)), in any case where the amount standing to the credit of that person by way of ordinary deposit in the Post Office Savings Bank or by way of savings account deposit in the trustee savings bank, whether solely or jointly with any other person, and whether the depositor has or has not more than one account by way of ordinary deposit in the Post Office Savings Bank or by way of savings account deposit in the trustee savings bank, as the case may be, exceeds, or would as a result of the receipt of the said deposit or the making of the said credit exceed, £5,000."

3. The Interpretation Act 1889(d) shall apply for the interpretation of this Order as it applies for the interpretation of an Act of Parliament.

4. The Savings Banks (Deposits) (Limits) (Amendment) Order 1965(e) is hereby revoked.

5. This Order may be cited as the Savings Banks (Deposits) (Limits) Order 1966, and shall come into operation on the expiration of the period of three days beginning with the day on which it is made.

William Whitlock,
W. Howie,
Two of the Lords Commissioners
of Her Majesty's Treasury.

21st June 1966.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Order.)

Hitherto deposits in the Post Office Savings Bank were of only one type, which are now defined in the Post Office Savings Bank Act 1966 as ordinary deposits to distinguish them from the investment deposits now permitted by that Act. This Order imposes, with certain exceptions, a limit of £5,000 as the aggregate amount which can be accepted by the Postmaster General from any person by way of investment deposit.

This Order also further amends the Savings Banks (Deposits) (Limits) Order 1960 so that that Order will continue to apply to ordinary deposits but will not apply to investment deposits.

(a) S.I. 1960/779 (1960 III, p. 3062).
(b) S.I. 1961/2412, 1965/572 (1961 III, p. 4454; 1965 I, p. 1792). (c) 1964 c. 4.
(d) 1889 c. 63. (e) S.I. 1965/572 (1965 I, p. 1792).