STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1975 No. 928

TRADE DESCRIPTIONS

The Textile Products (Indications of Fibre Content) (Amendment) Regulations 1975

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The Secretary of State, being a Minister designated **(a)** for the purposes of section 2(2) of the European Communities Act 1972**(b)** in relation to provisions concerning the composition, labelling, marketing, classification or description of textiles and products incorporating textiles, in exercise of the powers conferred by that section, hereby makes the following Regulations:—

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Textile Products (Indications of Fibre Content) (Amendment) Regulations 1975 and shall come into operation on 30th June 1975.

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

3. The Textile Products (Indications of Fibre Content) Regulations 1973**(d)** shall have effect subject to the following amendments:—

(*a*) in Regulation 1, for the date "1st July 1975" there shall be substituted the date "12th January 1976";

(*b*) in Regulation 2(1)—

(i) in subparagraph (*c*) of the definition of "textile products", for "textile parts" there shall be substituted "textile fibres"; and

(ii) for subparagraph (*d*) of that definition there shall be substituted the following:—

"(*d*) the textile parts of multi-layer floor coverings, of mattresses and of camping goods, and the warm linings of footwear, gloves, mittens and mitts if such parts and linings contain not less than 80 per cent by weight of textile fibres;";

(*c*) in paragraph 5 of Schedule 1—

(i) in subparagraph (5), after ' "pure cotton warp—pure flax weft" ' there shall be added ' or "pure cotton warp—pure linen weft" ';

(a) The European Communities (Designation) Order 1972, S.I. 1972/1811 (1972 III, p. 5216).
(b) 1972 c. 68.
(c) 1889 c. 63.
(d) S.I. 1973/2124 (1973 III, p. 7301).

(ii) for the first sentence of subparagraph (6), there shall be substituted the following:—

"In giving, as part of an indication of fibre content required by the foregoing provisions of this paragraph, any percentage in respect of a fibre or fibres, the indicated percentage may differ from the actual percentage in respect thereof by not more than 3 per cent. calculated on the total weight of textile fibres in the finished product on which the indicated percentage was calculated.";

(*d*) in column 1 of Part I of Schedule 2, for "flax" in item 7, there shall be substituted "flax or linen"; and

(*e*) in item 7 of Schedule 3, for "Flax" there shall be substituted "Flax or linen".

Michael Meacher,
Parliamentary Under-Secretary
of State for Industry,
Department of Industry.

2nd June 1975.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

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

These Regulations amend the Textile Products (Indications of Fibre Content) Regulations 1973.

The main change is that the compulsory marking of textile products with their fibre content is deferred from 1st July 1975 until 12th January 1976.

These Regulations also allow the use of "linen" as an alternative to "flax", and clarify the definition of "textile products" and the provision relating to the tolerances permitted between the indicated and actual percentages of fibres in the finished product.

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