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## State Intelligence

### NORTHERN IRELAND OFFICE

#### EXPLOSIVES ACT 1875

In pursuance of Section 53 of the Explosives Act 1875, the Secretary of State hereby appoints Mr. Jack Vance (1224) as an Inspector for Northern Ireland under the said Act for the exercise of those powers, and only those powers, set out in Section 16 of the Northern Ireland (Emergency Provisions) Act 1978.

*J. R. Ingram*, Assistant Secretary.

Dundonald House,  
Belfast

11th December, 1979.

### DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

#### STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND 1979 No. 417

Notice is hereby given that the Department of Agriculture in exercise of its powers under Section 15 of the Fisheries Act (Northern Ireland) 1966 has made a Statutory Rule entitled Eel Fishing (Licence Duties) (No. 2) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1979.

Copies of the Rule may be obtained from Her Majesty's Stationery Office.

#### AGRICULTURE (MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS) (NORTHERN IRELAND) ORDER 1977

##### *Eggs and Poultry*

Notice is hereby given that the Department of Agriculture for Northern Ireland, in exercise of the powers conferred on it by Article 20 of the Agriculture (Miscellaneous Provisions) (Northern Ireland) Order 1977 and of every other power enabling it in that behalf, made on 28th November, 1979, the Marketing of Poultry and Eggs (Metrication) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1979.

Copies of this Rule S.R. 1979 No. 418 may be obtained from Her Majesty's Stationery Office, Chichester House, Chichester Street, Belfast, BT1 4JY, or through any bookseller.

### DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

#### STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

Notice is hereby given that the Department of Education in exercise of the powers conferred on it by Article/s 67(3) and 125(1) of the Education and Libraries (Northern Ireland) Order 1972 and of all other powers enabling it in that behalf, has made a Statutory Rule entitled: Education and Library Boards (Payments to Chairmen) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1979 (No. 423).

Copies of the Order may be obtained from HMSO, 80 Chichester Street, Belfast, BT1 4JY.

### DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES

Notice is hereby given that the Department of Health and Social Services in exercise of the powers conferred on it by Section 4 and 68 of the Food and Drugs Act (Northern Ireland) 1958 has made regulations entitled Lead in Food Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1979. (S.R. 1979 No. 407)

These regulations which come into operation on 12th April, 1980, amend and supersede the Lead in Food Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1961, as amended.

The principal effects of these regulations will be to:

- a. reduce the permitted general limit of the content of lead in food from 2.0mg/kg to 1.0mg/kg;
- b. revise the list of specified foods and reduce in almost all cases the individual limits applicable to those foods;
- c. reduce the limit for four groups of specified foods (certain fruit and vegetable juices, flavourings, apples and pears) in two years time;
- d. reduce the limit applicable to foods specially prepared for infants or young children from 0.5mg/kg to 0.2mg/kg; those sold in a dried, dehydrated or concentrated form will be subject to the new general limit of 1.0mg/kg which will, in general, when diluted or reconstituted equate to 0.2mg/kg;
- (e) introduce specific limits of 2.0mg/kg for fish and 10.00mg/kg for shellfish. Hitherto, lead naturally present in fish, at whatever level, has been permitted by the regulations.

Copies of the regulations may be obtained from HMSO, Chichester House, 80 Chichester Street, Belfast, BT1 4JY, or from booksellers.