

## 1977 No. 2162

## WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

## The Weights and Measures (Isle of Man) Order 1977

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Coming into Operation 1st February 1978

Whereas the Secretary of State is satisfied that it is proper, having regard to the law for the time being in force in the Isle of Man—

- (i) to provide that any weighing and measuring equipment of the classes described in Article 2 of this Order which has been duly stamped in accordance with the law of the Isle of Man or which is to be regarded as so stamped for the purposes of that law shall be treated for the purposes of the Weights and Measures Act 1963(a) (hereinafter referred to as “the Act”) as if it had been duly stamped in Great Britain under section 11 of the Act; and
- (ii) to designate the Isle of Man for the purposes of the provisions of the Act mentioned in Article 3 of this Order:

Now, therefore, the Secretary of State, in exercise of the powers conferred by sections 11(9) and 58(1) of the Act and now vested in him(b) and all other powers enabling him in that behalf, hereby makes the following Order:—

1. This Order may be cited as the Weights and Measures (Isle of Man) Order 1977 and shall come into operation on 1st February 1978.

2. Weighing and measuring equipment of any class prescribed under section 11 of the Act shall be treated for the purposes of the Act as duly stamped in Great Britain under that section if—

- (i) it has been duly stamped under the Weights and Measures (Isle of Man) Act 1971(c); or
- (ii) it falls to be treated for the purposes of that Act as so stamped.

3. The Isle of Man shall be a designated country for the purposes of sections 9(2), 21(5)(b), 25(1)(c) and 28(1) of the Act.

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21st December 1977

(a) 1963 c. 31.  
(c) 1971 c. 36 (Act of Tynwald).

(b) S.I. 1970/1537 (1970 III, p. 5293).

## EXPLANATORY NOTE

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

The Weights and Measures Act 1963 does not extend to the Isle of Man which has its own weights and measures legislation.

A number of the provisions of the 1963 Act relating to the regulation of trade and weighing and measuring equipment used for trade do not apply in relation to goods "for despatch to a destination outside Great Britain and any designated country".

This Order declares the Isle of Man to be a designated country for the purposes of these provisions and the other sections of the Act which refer to designated countries. The principal effect is that the provisions described above will in future apply in relation to goods intended for despatch to the Isle of Man.

The Order also provides that any weighing and measuring equipment which must be stamped by an inspector of weights and measures before it can be used for trade in Great Britain is to be treated as so stamped if it is to be treated as validly stamped in accordance with the law of the Isle of Man.

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