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Statutory Instruments

1954 No. 1044

EMERGENCY LAWS

FOOD—MINERAL OIL

The Mineral Oil in Food (Amendment) Order, 1954

Made - - - - - 29th July, 1954

Laid before Parliament 5th August, 1954

Coming into Operation 8th August, 1954

The Minister of Food, in exercise of the powers conferred upon him by Regulation 2 of the Defence (Sale of Food) Regulations, 1943(a), as continued in force by the Emergency Laws (Continuance) Order, 1953(b), and of all other powers him enabling in that behalf, hereby orders as follows:—

1. This Order shall come into operation on the 8th day of August, 1954, and may be cited as the Mineral Oil in Food (Amendment) Order, 1954.

2. The Mineral Oil in Food Order, 1949(c) as amended(d), shall be further amended by substituting for paragraph (2) of Article 2 thereof the following paragraph:—

“(2) Nothing in paragraph (1) of this Article shall apply in relation to—

(a) any dried fruit containing not more than 0.5 part by weight of mineral oil per 100 parts by weight of dried fruit;

(b) any citrus fruit containing not more than 0.1 part by weight of mineral oil per 100 parts by weight of citrus fruit;

(c) any article of food containing mineral oil—

(i) by reason of the use in the composition of the said article of dried fruit or citrus fruit, or both dried fruit and citrus fruit, containing mineral oil not in excess of the quantities specified in subparagraphs (a) and (b) of this paragraph;

(ii) by reason not of the inclusion of mineral oil as an ingredient in the article of food but of its use as a lubricant or greasing agent on some surface with which the article of food has necessarily to come into contact in the course of its preparation, if the said article contains by reason thereof not more than 0.2 part by weight of mineral oil per 100 parts by weight of the article of food.”

3. The Mineral Oil in Food (Amendment) Order, 1952(e), is hereby revoked but without prejudice to any proceedings in respect of any contravention of the Mineral Oil in Food Order, 1949, as amended thereby.

G. Lloyd-George,
Minister of Food.

Dated the 29th day of July, 1954.

- (a) S.R. & O. 1943/1553, 1945/1454 (1943 II, p. 70; 1945 II, p. 95).
(b) S.I. 1953/1768. (c) S.I. 1949/614 (1949 II, p. 14).
(d) S.I. 1950/1239, 1952/1822 (1950 III, p. 41; 1952 I, p. 961).
(e) S.I. 1952/1822 (1952 I, p. 961).
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EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Order, but is intended to indicate its general purport.)

This amending Order provides that the prohibition in the principal Order relating to mineral oil in food shall not apply in relation to citrus fruit containing not more than 0.1 part by weight of mineral oil per 100 parts by weight of citrus fruit and, consequentially, extends the provisions as respects articles of food containing mineral oil to allow for the inclusion therein of citrus fruit containing not more than the permitted quantity of mineral oil.

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