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PUBLIC HEALTH, ENGLAND.

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THE PUBLIC HEALTH (PRESERVATIVES, &C., IN FOOD) AMENDMENT REGULATIONS, 1926, DATED DECEMBER 10, 1926, MADE BY THE MINISTER OF HEALTH.

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The Minister of Health, in the exercise of the powers conferred upon him by the Public Health Act, 1875, (a) the Public Health (London) Act, 1891, (b) the Public Health Act, 1896, (c) the Public Health (Regulations as to Food) Act, 1907, (d) and the Butter and Margarine Act, 1907, (e) and of every other power enabling him in that behalf, hereby makes the following Regulations, with the consent of the Commissioners of Customs and Excise, so far as they apply to the Officers of Customs and Excise, that is to say:—

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Public Health (Preservatives, &c., in Food) Amendment Regulations, 1926.

2. The Public Health (Preservatives, &c., in Food) Regulations, 1925, (f) shall be amended as follows:—

1) For the proviso to Article 1 there shall be substituted the following proviso,—

“ Provided that—

(i) the Regulations shall come into operation on the 1st day of July, 1927, so far as they relate to bacon, ham and egg yolk, and on the 1st day of January, 1928, so far as they relate to butter and cream and to the revocation of such of the provisions of the Public Health (Milk and Cream) Regulations, 1912, (g) and the

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(a) 38-9 V. c. 55.  
(c) 52-60 V. c. 20.  
(e) 7 E. 7. c. 21.

(b) 54-5 V. c. 76.  
(d) 7 E. 7. c. 32.  
(f) S.R. & O. 1925, No. 775.

Public Health (Milk and Cream) Regulations, 1912, Amendment Order, 1917,<sup>(a)</sup> as relate to cream; and

(ii) so far as the Regulations prohibit the sale of an article of food containing any preservative which is necessarily introduced by the use in its preparation of preserved margarine, preserved egg yolk, preserved bacon, preserved ham, preserved cream, or preserved butter, they shall come into operation on the following dates, viz.—

(a) the 1st day of July, 1927, where the preservative has been so introduced by the use of preserved margarine;

(b) the 1st day of January, 1928, where the preservative has been so introduced by the use of preserved bacon, preserved ham, preserved egg yolk or preserved cream; and

(c) the 1st day of July, 1928, where the preservative has been so introduced by the use of preserved butter.”

(2) In the definition of “preservative” contained in Article 2 (1) the word “glycerine” shall be inserted after the word “vinegar.”

(3) For Article 4 (2) there shall be substituted the following paragraph:—

“(2) The following provisions shall have effect with respect to any of the articles of food mentioned in paragraph 1 of the Second Schedule to these Regulations which contains any preservative specified in Part I of the First Schedule as permissible in the case of such article, that is to say—

(a) A person who exposes or offers any such article for sale by retail shall at the time when it is so exposed or offered either cause the article to be labelled in accordance with the Rules set out in the said Second Schedule, or cause a notice to the effect that the article contains pre-

servative to be exhibited in a conspicuous place so as to be easily readable by a customer ; and

- (b) A person who sells any such article shall cause it to be labelled in accordance with the said Rules at the time when it is delivered to any purchaser, agent or broker :

Provided that,—

- (i) Neither the requirement mentioned in paragraph (a) nor that mentioned in paragraph (b) shall apply where the article is exposed or offered for sale by retail or delivered to a customer in a hotel, restaurant or other such place for consumption on the premises ; and
- (ii) The requirement mentioned in paragraph (b) shall not apply where the article is sold by retail and delivered to the purchaser at the vendor's premises or stall if such a notice as is mentioned in paragraph (a) is there exhibited as provided in that paragraph."
- (4) The words "in the case of butter " shall be omitted from Article 12.
- (5) In Part I of the First Schedule for the items numbered 2, 6 and 7 there shall be substituted the following items,—

Food.	Preservative.	Parts per Million.
2. Fruit and fruit pulp (not dried) for conversion into jam or crystallised glacé or cured fruit as defined in items 6 and 7 :		
(a) Cherries ... ..	Sulphur Dioxide	3,000
(b) Strawberries and Raspberries	Do.	2,000
(c) Other fruit ... ..	Do.	1,500
6. Jam (including marmalade and fruit jelly prepared in the way in which jam is prepared) ... ..	Sulphur Dioxide	40
7. Crystallised glacé or cured fruit (including candied peel) ... ..	Do.	100
7a. Fruit and fruit pulp not otherwise specified in this Schedule... ..	Do.	350

- (6) In paragraph 5 of the Second Schedule the words " on and after the 1st day of July, 1927," shall be inserted after the word " shall " in the fifth line of that paragraph.

3. Copies of the Public Health (Preservatives, &c., in Food) Regulations, 1925, printed under the authority of His Majesty's Stationery Office, may be printed with any additions, omissions or substitutions directed to be made by these or any other amending regulations, but with a footnote in each instance

referring to such amending regulations; and the principal regulations so printed may be cited as the Public Health (Preservatives, &c., in Food) Regulations.

Given under the Official Seal of the Minister of Health this Tenth day of December, in the year One thousand nine hundred and twenty-six.

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The Commissioners of Customs and Excise hereby consent to the foregoing Regulations so far as they apply to the Officers of Customs and Excise.

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