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**1.** These Regulations may be cited as the Methylated Spirits Regulations. Citation.

**PART I**

**METHYLATION**

**2.** Any person intending to make methylated spirits shall give at least twenty-four hours notice to the proper officer who shall then direct the spirits to be removed at the expense of the methylator to the place of methylation. Notice to be given by methylator.

**3.** The wood naphtha, or methylic alcohol, must be of a strength of not less than 91.0 per cent Alc./Vol., and when deposited at the place of methylation, a sample must be drawn by the officer in the presence of the methylator or his agent, sealed with a distinctive seal and forwarded to the Chief Chemist for approval. When approved the wood naphtha must be added to the spirit in the proportion fixed by the Act; but the Comptroller may require that some other substance, or mixture of substances approved by the Chief Chemist, be added in addition to or in lieu of the wood naphtha before the spirits can be removed from the place of methylation. Process of methylation. [239/1990].

**4.** The operation of methylation must be carried out in the presence of two officers. Each officer will be held equally responsible for seeing that the whole of the spirits is thoroughly mixed with the required proportion of naphtha, or other approved substances. Both officers who attend a methylation are to certify that the spirits have been methylated in their presence, and that the spirits have been mixed with the required proportion of naphtha or other ingredients, and forward without delay their certificates to the Comptroller. How operation of methylation to be carried out.

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Samples to be sent to Chief Chemist.

5. A sample of the methylated spirits must be drawn off by the officers in the presence of the methylator or his agent, sealed and sent to the Chief Chemist for approval.

Removal to licensed premises.

6. The methylated spirits after such approval by the Chief Chemist must be removed at the expense of the methylator to his licensed premises, or, in the case of methylated spirits made at a distillery, to a place approved for the purpose by the Comptroller.

Charge for warehousing labour and supervision. [22/2004 5/2009].

7. The charge for warehousing spirits intended for methylation or wood naphtha or other approved substances to be used in the process of methylation shall be the same as is charged for spirits deposited in warehouse, together with a charge of—

- (a) one hundred and ninety-nine dollars and fourteen cents with effect from 1st January 2005;
- (b) two hundred and five dollars and twelve cents with effect from 1st January 2006; and
- (c) two hundred and thirty-five dollars and eleven cents with effect from 1st January 2007,

for labour and supervision at each methylation.

PART II

KEEPING, SALE, DELIVERY AND REMOVAL OF METHYLATED SPIRITS

Application.

8. This Part of these Regulations applies to the persons referred to in Part XI of the Act as “authorised methylators”, “retailers of methylated spirits” and “persons authorised by the Comptroller to receive methylated spirits”.

Persons authorised to receive. [239/1990].

9. Any person engaged in any business requiring the use of methylated spirits, and who desires to purchase at one time more than the quantity allowed to be sold by a retailer, *viz.*: five litres, must apply to the Comptroller for authority to receive methylated spirits, and upon receipt of the authority is entitled to receive, import, use and store methylated spirits in accordance with the terms of such authority subject to the due observance of the provisions of the Act. Nothing in such authority shall be deemed to authorise such person to receive more than five litres at one

time from a retailer of methylated spirits, and any quantity greater than five litres at one time must be obtained either by importing the same or from an authorised methylator.

**10.** Every authorised methylator, retailer of methylated spirits or person authorised by the Comptroller to receive methylated spirits shall keep the whole of his stock together in one place easily accessible for inspection, unless in any special circumstances the previous consent of the Comptroller shall have been obtained for keeping the methylated spirits otherwise, in which case the keeping of the methylated spirits shall be in accordance with the written directions of the Comptroller. Any such directions shall be kept exhibited conspicuously near to the place where the methylated spirits are kept.

Directions for keeping stock of methylated spirits.

**11.** Every person to whom these Regulations apply shall keep a copy of these Regulations and a copy of Part XI of the Act exhibited conspicuously near to the stock of methylated spirits.

Copy of Regulations and Act to be exhibited.

**12.** All methylated spirits shall be kept in a secure vessel of metal or glass securely stoppered, and the full content of every such vessel shall be shown clearly on a label securely attached to each such vessel. If any methylated spirits are sold otherwise than in such full vessel at one time, the quantity sold shall be ascertained by a standard measure to be kept for the purpose, and such measure shall be produced to any officer of Customs and Excise on demand.

Vessels in which methylated spirits may be kept.

**13.** Every authorised methylator, and every person authorised by the Comptroller to receive methylated spirits shall keep a stock account in the form set out in Schedule A.

Stock account.  
Schedule A.

**14.** Every entry in the stock account referred to in regulation 13 and every entry made by a retailer of methylated spirits in the stock account required to be kept by him by section 120 of the Act shall be made legibly in ink immediately on the receipt of any methylated spirits, or prior to the removal of the same from stock, as the case may be, and no entry once made shall be altered, erased or interfered with in any way; provided that if any such entry is incorrect in any particular, a note shall be made in any convenient space in the same page, setting out in what particular any such entry may be incorrect.

How stock account to be kept.

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**Bonds.** **15.** Every authorised methylator and every person authorised to receive methylated spirits shall enter into a bond in the form set out in Schedule B in a sum approved by the Comptroller as security for any penalties that may be imposed or any duties that may become due under the Act or these Regulations.

**Schedule B.** **16.** No methylated spirits may be removed from the stock of any authorised methylator or person authorised to receive methylated spirits save between the hours of six in the morning and six in the evening, nor upon any Sunday or public holiday.

**Hours for removal.** **17.** All requisitions must be kept by the authorised methylator who sends out any methylated spirits, and all permits must be kept by the licensed retailer (or person authorised to receive methylated spirits) who receives any methylated spirits for a period of at least one year after the date of issue of the same, unless such requisitions or permits are, upon demand, delivered up to an officer of Customs and Excise, in which case the officer shall give a receipt for the same in the stock book.

**Permits and certificates to be kept for one year.** **18.** No person to whom these Regulations apply shall water or otherwise diminish in strength any methylated spirits in his stock possession, and any spirits found by any officer to be below the strength at which the same ought to be found shall be forfeited.

**PART III**  
**PENALTY FOR OFFENCES**

**Penalties.** **19.** Any person committing any breach of these Regulations shall incur a penalty of four hundred dollars.

Regulation 13. [239/1990].

**SCHEDULE A**

**FORM OF STOCK ACCOUNT TO BE KEPT BY  
AUTHORISED METHYLATOR**

Methylated Spirits Made			Delivery Account				
Date	Marks and Nos. of each package	Litres of Alcohol	No. and date of requisition	No. and date of permit	Quantity sent out		Remarks
					Litres of Alcohol	Litres	

**FORM OF STOCK ACCOUNT TO BE KEPT BY PERSON  
 AUTHORISED BY THE COMPTROLLER TO RECEIVE  
 METHYLATED SPIRITS**

No. and date of requisition	No. and date of permit	Marks and Nos. of packages received	Quantity received (Litres)	Date used	Quantity used (Litres)	Remarks

**SCHEDULE B**

Regulation 15.

**BOND TO BE GIVEN BY AUTHORISED METHYLATOR  
 OR PERSON AUTHORISED BY THE COMPTROLLER TO  
 RECEIVE METHYLATED SPIRITS**

Know All Men by these Presents that We ....., of ....., and ....., of ....., are held and firmly bound unto the State in the sum of ..... dollars to be paid to the State, for which payment well and truly to be made we bind ourselves and each of us, our heirs, executors, administrators, and assigns, for and in the whole, and each of them, jointly and severally, by these presents.

Dated this ..... day of .....in the year of Our Lord two thousand and .....

Whereas the above bounden ..... is authorised to ..... methylated spirits in accordance with the provisions of the Spirits and Spirit Compounds Act.

Now the condition of this obligation is such that if the said ..... shall pay all penalties incurred and all duties due to be paid by him in accordance with the provisions of the Act, and of any Regulations made thereunder, and shall duly observe each and every provision of the Act or of the Regulations made thereunder which is required to be observed by him, then this obligation shall be void, but otherwise shall be and remain in full force and virtue.

Signed and delivered in the presence of .....

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