FACTORIES (FIRST-AID) REGULATIONS

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Title.

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Factories (First-Aid) Regulations.

First-aid boxes to be marked.

2. Each first-aid box or cupboard shall be distinctively marked and if newly provided after the date of these Regulations it shall also be marked plainly “First-Aid” in English and Spanish.

Requirements for first-aid boxes.

3. The first-aid boxes and cupboards required by section 51 of the Act to be provided and maintained in factories shall comply with the following standards:

A. For factories in which the number of persons employed does not exceed ten or (in the case of factories in which mechanical power is not used) does not exceed fifty persons. Each first-aid box or cupboard shall contain at least:

   (i) a copy of the first-aid leaflet issued by the Department of Labour and Social Security;
   
(ii) a sufficient number (not less than six) of small sterilized dressings for injured fingers;
   
(iii) a sufficient number (not less than three) of medium size sterilized dressings for injured hands or feet;
   
(iv) a sufficient number (not less than three) of large sterilized dressings for other injured parts;
   
(v) a sufficient number of sterilized burn dressings (small and large);
   
(vi) a two per cent, alcoholic solution of iodine or a one per cent aqueous solution of gentian violet, in blue fluted bottles marked “Poison, not to be taken” in English and Spanish; and
   
(vii) a bottle of sal volatile, having the dose and mode of administration indicated on the label.

B. For factories in which mechanical power is used and in which the number of persons employed exceeds ten but does not exceed fifty. Each first-aid box or cupboard shall contain at least—
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(i) a copy of the first-aid leaflet issued by the Department of Labour and Social Security;

(ii) a sufficient number (not less than a dozen) of small sterilized dressings for injured fingers;

(iii) a sufficient number (not less than six) of medium size sterilized dressings for injured hands or feet;

(iv) a sufficient number (not less than six) of large sterilized dressings for other injured parts;

(v) a sufficient number of sterilized burn dressings (small and large);

(vi) a sufficient supply of sterilized cotton wool, in \( \frac{1}{2} \) oz. packets;

(vii) a two per cent alcoholic solution of iodine or a one per cent aqueous solution of gentian violet in blue fluted bottles marked “Poison, not to be taken,” in English and Spanish;

(viii) a bottle of sal volatile, having the dose and mode of administration indicated on the label; and

(ix) eye drops as described in the first-aid leaflet.

C. For factories employing more than fifty persons.— Each first-aid box or cupboard shall contain at least—

(i) a copy of the first-aid leaflet issued by the Department of Labour and Social Security;

(ii) a sufficient number (not less than two dozen) of small sterilized dressings for injured fingers;

(iii) a sufficient number (not less than one dozen) of medium size sterilized dressings for injured hands or feet;

(iv) a sufficient number (not less than one dozen) of large sterilized dressings for other injured parts;

(v) a sufficient number of sterilized burn dressings (small and large);

(vi) a sufficient supply of sterilized cotton wool, in \( \frac{1}{2} \) oz. packets;
(vii) a two per cent alcoholic solution of iodine or a one per cent aqueous solution of gentian violet in blue fluted bottles marked “Poison, not to be taken,” in English and Spanish;

(viii) a bottle of sal volatile, having the dose and mode of administration indicated on the label;

(ix) eye drops as described in the first-aid leaflet;

(x) a supply of suitable splints and cotton wool or other material for padding;

(xi) a supply of adhesive plaster;

(xii) a tourniquet;

(xiii) one dozen roller bandages;

(xiv) half-a-dozen triangular bandages;

(xv) safety pins:

Provided that items (x) to (xv) inclusive need not be included in the standard first-aid box or cupboard—

(a) where there is a properly equipped ambulance room; or

(b) if at least one box containing such items and placed and maintained in accordance with the requirements of section 51 of the Act is separately provided.

D. In lieu of the dressings required under items (ii) and (iii), there may be substituted adhesive wound dressings approved by certificate of the Director of Labour and Social Security.

**Qualification of responsible person.**

4. The “responsible person” referred to in section 51(3) of the Act shall be trained up to the standard of the first examination of the St. John’s Ambulance Association.