

No. 375.

THE FACTORIES LAW, 1956.

ORDER MADE UNDER SECTION 54 (1).

In exercise of the powers vested in me by section 54 (1) of the Factories Law, 1956, I, the Commissioner of Labour, hereby order as follows :— 38 of 1956.

1. This Order may be cited as the Factories (First-Aid) Order, 1957.
2. It is hereby prescribed that the first-aid boxes or cupboards required by section 54 (1) of the Factories Law, 1956, to be provided and maintained in factories shall comply with the standards specified in the Schedule hereto.
3. This Order shall come into force on the 8th day of April, 1957.

SCHEDULE.

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 (Lab/F/32) issued by the Labour Department.
- (ii) A sufficient number (not less than six) of small sterilised dressings for injured fingers.
- (iii) A sufficient number (not less than three) of medium size sterilised dressings for injured hands or feet.
- (iv) A sufficient number (not less than three) of large sterilised dressings for other injured parts.
- (v) A sufficient number of sterilised burn dressings (small and large).
- (vi) A two per cent alcoholic solution of iodine or a one per cent aqueous solution of gentian violet.
- (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 :—

- (i) A copy of the first-aid leaflet (Lab/F/32) issued by the Labour Department.
- (ii) A sufficient number (not less than a dozen) of small sterilised dressings for injured fingers.

- (iii) A sufficient number (not less than six) of medium size sterilised dressings for injured hands or feet.
  - (iv) A sufficient number (not less than six) of large sterilised dressings for other injured parts.
  - (v) A sufficient number of sterilised burn dressings (small and large).
  - (vi) A sufficient supply of sterilised 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.
  - (viii) A bottle of sal volatile, having the dose and mode of administration indicated in the label.
  - (ix) Eye drops prepared as described in the first-aid leaflet (Lab/F/32).
- 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 (Lab/F/32) issued by the Labour Department.
  - (ii) A sufficient number (not less than two dozen) of small sterilised dressings for injured fingers.
  - (iii) A sufficient number (not less than one dozen) of medium size sterilised dressings for injured hands or feet.
  - (iv) A sufficient number (not less than one dozen) of large sterilised dressings for other injured parts.
  - (v) A sufficient number of sterilised burn dressings (small and large).
  - (vi) A sufficient supply of sterilised 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.
  - (viii) A bottle of sal volatile, having the dose and mode of administration indicated on the label.
  - (ix) Eye drops prepared as described in the first-aid leaflet (Lab/F/32).
  - (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 54 of the said Law 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 Chief Inspector of Factories.

E.—In all cases, all materials for dressings contained in the first-aid boxes or cupboards shall be those designated in, and of a grade or quality not lower than the standards prescribed by, the British Pharmaceutical Codex or any supplement thereto.

F.—Each first-aid box or cupboard shall be distinctively marked. If newly provided after the date of this Order it shall be marked plainly "FIRST AID" and in Greek and Turkish.

Dated this 3rd day of April, 1957.

(M.P. 1182/49.)

H. E. CHUDLEIGH,  
*Commissioner of Labour.*