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WHEREAS it appears to the Minister for Industry and Commerce that in particular classes and descriptions of factories and parts thereof the provisions of paragraph (c) of subsection (1) of section 10 of the Factories Act, 1955 (No. 10 of 1955), are not required for the purpose of keeping such factories or parts thereof in a clean state or are inappropriate for such purpose :

NOW, I, WILLIAM NORTON, Minister for Industry and Commerce, in exercise of the power conferred on me by subsection (4) of section 10 of the said Act, after consultation with the Minister for Health, hereby order as follows :

1.—(1) This Order may be cited as the Factories (Cleanliness of Walls and Ceilings) Order, 1956.

(2) This Order shall come into operation on the 1st day of October, 1956.

2. In this Order " the Act " means the Factories Act, 1955 (No. 10 of 1955).

3. Paragraph (c) of subsection (1) of section 10 of the act shall not apply to any factory or part of a factory specified in the First Schedule to this Order, other than the following parts :

(a) any workroom in any factory or part of a factory specified in Part I of that Schedule in which the amount of cubic space allowed for every person employed in the workroom is less than five hundred cubic feet ;

(b) any workroom in any factory or part of a factory specified in Part II of that Schedule in which the amount of cubic space allowed for every person employed in the workroom is less than two thousand five hundred cubic feet ;

(c) engine houses, fitting shops, messrooms, cloakrooms, lavatories and sanitary conveniences ;

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(d) such parts of all inside walls and partitions, and of all ceilings and tops of rooms, and of all walls, sides and tops of passages and staircases as are less than twenty feet above the floor or stair.

4.—(1) Subparagraph (iii) of paragraph (c) of subsection (1) of section 10 of the act shall not apply to any inside walls or partitions, or any ceilings or tops of rooms, or any walls, sides or tops of passages or staircases which have been painted with at least two coats of a washable water paint and which are repainted with at least one coat of such paint at least once in every period of three years and washed at least once in every period of fourteen months, provided that the name of the paint used and the name and address of the makers of the paint together with a certificate in the form prescribed in the Second Schedule to this Order, from the makers of the paint, and the dates of the original painting and of each washing and repainting shall be entered in or attached to the general register.

(2) A paint shall not be a washable water paint for the purposes of this Article unless it contains—

(a) at least half its weight of solid pigment containing not less than twenty-five parts by weight of zinc sulphide as zinc white (lithopone) in each hundred parts by weight of solid pigment ; and

(b) at least ten parts by weight of oil and varnish to each hundred parts by weight of solid pigment.

5. If it appears to the Minister for Industry and Commerce that any part of a factory to which, by virtue of this Order, any of the provisions of paragraph (c) of subsection (1) of section 10 of the act do not apply or apply as varied by this Order is not being kept in a clean state, he may by written notice require the occupier of the factory to whitewash or colourwash, wash or paint or varnish such part and, if the occupier fails to comply with such requisition within two months from the date of the notice, this Order shall cease to apply in relation to such part.

6. Nothing in this Order shall affect the operation of any provision of the Food Hygiene Regulations, 1950 ( S.I. No. 205 of 1950 ).

7. The Orders made on the 2nd day of November, 1903, the 1st day of July, 1911, and the 19th day of April, 1912, under Section 1 of the Factory and Workshop Act, 1901, are hereby revoked.

#### FIRST SCHEDULE.

##### PART I.

Blast furnaces.

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Iron mills.

Copper mills.

Stone, slate and marble works.

Brick and tile works in which unglazed bricks or tiles are made.

Cement works.

Chemical works.

Gas Works.

The following parts of factories :

Rooms used for the storage of articles in which no process is regularly carried on.

Parts in which dense steam is continuously evolved in the process.

Parts in which pitch, tar or like material is manufactured or is used to a substantial extent, except in a brush works.

The part of a glass factory known as the glass house.

Rooms in which graphite is manufactured or is used to a substantial extent in any process.

Parts in which coal, coke, oxide of iron, ochre, lime or stone is crushed or ground.

Parts of walls, partitions, ceilings or tops of rooms which are at least 20 feet above the floor.

Ceilings or tops of rooms in print works, bleach works or dye works, with the exception of finishing rooms or warehouses.

## PART II.

Shipbuilding works.

Gun factories.

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Engineering works.

Electric generating or transforming stations.

Frame dressing rooms of lace factories.

Factories in which sugar is refined or manufactured.

Foundries, not being iron foundries or foundries in which brass casting is carried on.

Coach and motor body works.

Those parts of factories where unpainted or unvarnished wood is manufactured.

SECOND SCHEDULE.

It is hereby certified that the washable water paint made by <sup>me</sup>/<sub>us</sub> and known as ..... will when finished for use in accordance with the directions given (below ) (on the label attached to each tin) comply with the definition of washable water paint in the Factories (Cleanliness of Walls and Ceilings) Order, 1956.

Name and address of Firm.....  
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Date..... Signature.....

GIVEN under my Official Seal, this 4th day of July, 1956.

WILLIAM NORTON, Minister for Industry and Commerce.

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