



CURRENCY ACT 1992

**CURRENCY (DECIMAL COINS) ORDER 1997**

*Laid before Tynwald on* 19 March 1997

*Coming into operation on* 5th February 1997

In exercise of the powers conferred upon the Treasury by section 5(1) of the Currency Act 1992(a) and of all other powers enabling it in that behalf, the following Order is hereby made:-

**Citation and commencement**

1. This Order may be cited as the Currency (Decimal Coins) Order 1997 and shall come into operation on 5th February 1997.

**Interpretation**

2. In this Order "the coins" means coins issued by the Treasury which are of the denominations of fifty pence and five pounds.

**Composition, diameter and weight of the coins**

3. The coins shall be of the specifications set out in columns (ii) to (vii) of the Schedule.

**Design of the coins**

4. (1) On the obverse of the coins there shall be an effigy of Her Majesty the Queen by Raphael Maklouf with the inscription "ISLE OF MAN ELIZABETH II" and the year of the issue.

(2) On the reverse of the fifty pence coins there shall be -

- and
- (a) a design of a Manx Christmas scene and the inscriptions "CHRISTMAS" and "50";
  - (b) a design of a Tourist Trophy motorcycling theme and the inscriptions "TT" and "50".

(3) On the reverse of the five pounds coins there shall be -

- (a) a portrait of Queen Elizabeth II and Prince Philip and the inscriptions "50th ANNIVERSARY OF QUEEN ELIZABETH II AND PRINCE PHILIP" and "FIVE POUNDS"; and
- (b) a design of a Tyne class lifeboat with the Tower of Refuge in the background and the inscriptions "175th ANNIVERSARY OF THE RNLI", "TYNE CLASS LIFEBOAT" and "FIVE POUNDS".

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(a) 1992 c.14  
price 20 pence

## SCHEDULE

## STANDARD METAL COMPOSITION OR FINENESS, DIAMETER AND WEIGHT OF ISLE OF MAN COINS

(i) Denomination	(ii) Standard Diameter mm	(iii) Type of Metal	(iv) Millesimal Composition or Fineness	(v) Standard Weight gms	(vi) Weight Remedy gms	(vii) Rim/Shape Description
50 pence	27.30	Platinum	950	8.00	0.12	Plain *
		Gold	916	8.00	0.12	Plain *
		Silver	925	8.00	0.12	Plain *
		Cupro-nickel	750 Cu/250 Ni	8.00	0.10	Plain *
5 Pounds	36.10	Platinum	950	45.50	0.22	Interrupted mill/round
		Gold	916	39.90	0.22	Interrupted mill/round
		Silver	925	23.50	0.22	Interrupted mill/round
		Mixed Metal	810 Cu/100 Sn/90 Ni	20.00	0.24	Interrupted mill/round

Notes -

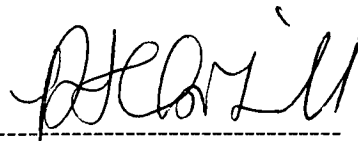
\* Apex to base 7 sided curved equilateral heptagon

Cu Copper

Ni Nickel

Sn Tin

Made this 5th day of February 1997



Minister for the Treasury

## Explanatory Note

(This note is not part of the order)

The Currency (Decimal Coins) Order 1997 authorises the Treasury to issue -

(a) new size fifty pence coins carrying designs of a Manx Christmas scene and a Tourist Trophy motor cycling theme, and

(b) five pounds coins to celebrate the golden wedding anniversary of Her Majesty the Queen and Prince Philip in 1997 and the 175th anniversary of the foundation of the Royal National Lifeboat Institution in 1999.