

STATE

PROCLAMATIONS

BY THE QUEEN A PROCLAMATION DETERMINING THE SPECIFICATIONS AND DESIGNS FOR A NEW TWENTY-FIVE POUND GOLD COIN ELIZABETH R.

Whereas under section 3(1)(a), (b), (c), (cd), and (d) of the Coinage Act 1971 We have power, with the advice of Our Privy Council, by Proclamation to determine the denomination, the design and dimensions of coins to be made at Our Mint, to determine the weight and fineness of certain gold coins, the remedy to be allowed in the making of such coins and their least current weight, and to provide for the manner of measurement of the variation from the standard weight of coins:

And Whereas it appears to Us desirable to order that there should be made at Our Mint a new series of coins of the denomination of twenty-five pounds in gold:

We, therefore, in pursuance of the said section 3(1)(a), (b), (c), (cd), and (d) and of all other powers enabling Us in that behalf, do hereby, by and with the advice of Our Privy Council, proclaim, direct and ordain as follows:

TWENTY-FIVE POUND COIN

1. (1) A new coin of gold of the denomination of twenty-five pounds shall be made, being a coin of a standard weight of 7.800 grammes, a standard diameter of 22 millimetres, a millesimal fineness of not more than 999.9, and being circular in shape.

(2) In the making of the said gold coin a remedy (that is, a variation from the standard weight or diameter specified above) shall be allowed of an amount not exceeding the following, that is to say:

(a) a variation from the said standard weight of an amount per coin of 0.020 grammes; and

(b) a variation from the said standard diameter of 0.125 millimetres per coin.

(3) The variation from the standard weight will be measured as the average of a sample of not more than one kilogram of the coin.

(4) The least current weight of the said gold coin shall be 7.750 grammes.

(5) The design of the said gold coin shall be as follows: 'Either;

(a) For the obverse impression Our effigy with the inscription " · ELIZABETH · II · D · G · REG · FID · DEF · POUNDS · 25 " and for the reverse two Swaledale sheep, with the inscription "YEAR OF THE SHEEP · (the date of the year) · 1/4 OZ FINE GOLD 999.9" and the Chinese lunar symbol for sheep; or

(b) For the obverse impression Our effigy with the inscription " · ELIZABETH II · D · G · REG · F · D · 25 POUNDS" and a monkey leaping through the trees with the inscription "YEAR OF THE MONKEY · (the date of the year) · 1/4 OZ FINE GOLD 999.9" and the Chinese lunar symbol for monkeys.

The coins will have a graining upon the edge.'

2. This Proclamation shall come into force on the sixteenth day of March Two thousand and sixteen.

Given at Our Court at Buckingham Palace, this fifteenth day of March in the year of Our Lord Two thousand and sixteen and in the sixty-fifth year of Our Reign.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN

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BY THE QUEEN A PROCLAMATION DETERMINING THE SPECIFICATIONS AND DESIGN FOR FIFTY PENCE COINS CELEBRATING TEAM GB AT THE 2016 OLYMPIC AND PARALYMPIC GAMES ELIZABETH R.

Whereas under section 3(1)(a), (b), (c), (cc), (cd), (d) and (dd) of the Coinage Act 1971 We have power, with the advice of Our Privy Council, by Proclamation to determine the denomination, the design and dimensions of coins to be made at Our Mint, to determine the weight and fineness of certain gold coins, the remedy to be allowed in the making of such coins and their least current weight, to determine

the weight and composition of coins other than gold coins or coins of silver of Our Maundy money and the remedy to be allowed in the making of such coins, to provide for the manner of measurement of the variation from the standard weight of coins and to determine the percentage of impurities which such coins may contain:

And Whereas under section 3(1)(ff) of the Coinage Act 1971 We have power, with the advice of Our Privy Council, by Proclamation to direct that any coin shall be legal tender for the payment of any amount:

And Whereas it appears to Us desirable to order that, to celebrate Team GB at the 2016 Olympic and Paralympic Games should be made at Our Mint coins of the denomination of fifty pence in gold, in silver and in cupro-nickel:

We, therefore, in pursuance of the said section 3(1)(a), (b), (c), (cc), (cd), (d), (dd) and (ff), and of all other powers enabling Us in that behalf, do hereby, by and with the advice of Our Privy Council, proclaim, direct and ordain as follows:

GOLD COIN

1. (1) A new coin of gold of the denomination of fifty pence shall be made, being a coin of a standard weight of 15.5 grammes, a standard diameter of 27.3 millimetres a millesimal fineness of 916.66, and being in the shape of an equilateral curve heptagon.

(2) In the making of the said gold coin a remedy (that is, a variation from the standard weight, diameter or fineness specified above) shall be allowed of an amount not exceeding the following, that is to say:

(a) a variation from the said standard weight of an amount per coin of 0.070 grammes;

(b) a variation from the said standard diameter of 0.125 millimetres per coin; and

(c) a variation from the said millesimal fineness of two per mille.

(3) The least current weight of the said gold coin shall be 15.4 grammes.

(4) The variation from the standard weight will be measured as the average of a sample of not more than one kilogram of the coin.

STANDARD SILVER COIN

2. (1) A new coin of silver of the denomination of fifty pence shall be made, being a coin of a standard weight of 8 grammes, a standard diameter of 27.3 millimetres, a standard composition of 925 parts per thousand fine silver, and being in the shape of an equilateral curve heptagon.

(2) In the making of the said silver coin a remedy (that is, a variation from the standard weight, diameter or composition specified above) shall be allowed of an amount not exceeding the following, that is to say:

(a) a variation from the said standard weight of an amount per coin of 0.17 grammes;

(b) a variation from the said standard diameter of 0.125 millimetres per coin; and

(c) a variation from the said standard composition of five parts per thousand fine silver.

(3) The variation from the standard weight will be measured as the average of a sample of not more than one kilogram of the coin.

(4) The said silver coin shall be legal tender for the payment of any amount in any part of Our United Kingdom.

SILVER PIEDFORT COIN

3. (1) A new coin of silver of the denomination of fifty pence shall be made, being a coin of a standard weight of 16 grammes, a standard diameter of 27.3 millimetres, a standard composition of 925 parts per thousand fine silver, and being in the shape of an equilateral curve heptagon.

(2) In the making of the said silver coin a remedy (that is, a variation from the standard weight, diameter or composition specified above) shall be allowed of an amount not exceeding the following, that is to say:

(a) a variation from the said standard weight of an amount per coin of 0.25 grammes;

(b) a variation from the said standard diameter of 0.125 millimetres per coin; and

(c) a variation from the said standard composition of five parts per thousand fine silver.

(3) The variation from the standard weight will be measured as the average of a sample of not more than one kilogram of the coin.

(4) The said silver coin shall be legal tender for the payment of any amount in any part of Our United Kingdom.

CUPRO-NICKEL COIN