

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 there should be made at Our Mint a new series of coins of the denominations of one thousand pounds, five hundred pounds, one hundred pounds and twenty-five pounds in gold, a new series of coins of the denominations of five hundred pounds, ten pounds and two pounds in standard silver, ten pounds in silver piedfort and a new coin of the denomination of five pounds 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:

ONE THOUSAND POUND GOLD COIN

1. (1) A new coin of gold of the denomination of one thousand pounds shall be made, being a coin of a standard weight of 1005 grammes, a standard diameter of 100 millimetres, a millesimal fineness of not less than 999, 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 5 grammes; and

(b) a variation from the said standard diameter of 0.25 millimetres per coin.

(3) The least current weight of the said gold coin shall be 995 grammes.

(4) The variation from the standard weight will be measured by weighing each coin separately.

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

‘For the obverse impression Our effigy with the inscription “· ELIZABETH II · D · G · REG · F · D · 1000 POUNDS”, and for the reverse a depiction of a griffin with the heraldic badge of the Royal House of Windsor accompanied by the inscription “· GRIFFIN OF EDWARD III ·” and the date of the year. The coin shall have a grained edge.’

FIVE HUNDRED POUND GOLD COIN

2. (1) A new coin of gold of the denomination of five hundred pounds shall be made, being a coin of a standard weight of 156.295 grammes, a standard diameter of 50 millimetres, a millesimal fineness of not less 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 0.8 grammes; and

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

(3) The least current weight of the said gold coin shall be 154.5 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.

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

‘For the obverse impression Our effigy with the inscription “· ELIZABETH II · D · G · REG · F · D · 500 POUNDS”, and for the reverse a depiction of a griffin with the heraldic badge of the Royal House of Windsor accompanied by the inscription “· GRIFFIN OF EDWARD III ·” and the date of the year. The coin shall have a grained edge.’

ONE HUNDRED POUND GOLD COIN

3. (1) A new coin of gold of the denomination of one hundred pounds shall be made, being a coin of a standard weight of 31.21 grammes, a standard diameter of 32.69 millimetres, a millesimal fineness of not less than 999.9, and being circular in shape.

(2) In the making of the said gold coin a remedy (that is, a variation from 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 0.15 grammes; and

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

(3) The least current weight of the said gold coin shall be 31.01 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.

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

‘For the obverse impression Our effigy with the inscription “· ELIZABETH II · D · G · REG · F · D · 100 POUNDS”, and for the reverse a depiction of a griffin with the heraldic badge of the Royal House of Windsor accompanied by the inscription “· GRIFFIN OF EDWARD III ·” and the date of the year. The coin shall have a grained edge.’

TWENTY-FIVE POUND GOLD COIN

4. (1) A new coin of gold of the denomination of twenty-five pounds shall be made, being a coin of a standard weight of 7.8 grammes, a standard diameter of 22 millimetres, a millesimal fineness of not less 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 0.025 grammes; and

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

(3) The least current weight of the said gold coin shall be 7.75 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.

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

‘For the obverse impression Our effigy with the inscription “· ELIZABETH II · D · G · REG · F · D · 25 POUNDS”, and for the reverse a depiction of a griffin with the heraldic badge of the Royal House of Windsor accompanied by the inscription “· GRIFFIN OF EDWARD III ·” and the date of the year. The coin shall have a grained edge.’

FIVE HUNDRED POUND STANDARD SILVER COIN

5. (1) A new coin of silver of the denomination of five hundred pounds shall be made, being a coin of a standard weight of 1005 grammes, a standard diameter of 100 millimetres, a standard composition of not less than 999 parts per thousand fine silver, and being circular in shape.

(2) In the making of the said silver 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 5 grammes; and

(b) a variation from the said standard diameter of 0.25 millimetres per coin.

(3) The variation from the standard weight will be measured by weighing each coin separately.

(4) The design of the said silver coin shall be as follows:

‘For the obverse impression Our effigy with the inscription “· ELIZABETH II · D · G · REG · F · D · 500 POUNDS”, and for the reverse a depiction of a griffin with the heraldic badge of the Royal House of Windsor accompanied by the inscription “· GRIFFIN OF EDWARD III ·” and the date of the year. The coin shall have a grained edge.’

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

TEN POUND STANDARD SILVER COIN

6. (1) A new coin of silver of the denomination of ten pounds shall be made, being a coin of a standard weight of 156.295 grammes, a standard diameter of 65 millimetres, a standard composition of not less than 999 parts per thousand fine silver, and being circular in shape.

(2) In the making of the said silver 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 0.85 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 design of the said silver coin shall be as follows: