

OWEN TAYLOR AND SONS LIMITED

ABBREVIATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

YEAR ENDED 31 OCTOBER 1998

RICHARDSON NUTT

CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS

DERBY



OWEN TAYLOR AND SONS LIMITED

**AUDITORS REPORT TO OWEN TAYLOR AND SONS LIMITED
UNDER SECTION 247B OF THE COMPANIES ACT 1985**

We have examined the abbreviated accounts set out on pages 2 to 4 together with the full statutory accounts of the company for the year ended 31 October 1998 prepared under section 226 of the Companies Act 1985.

Respective Responsibilities of Directors and Auditors

The Directors are responsible for preparing the abbreviated accounts in accordance with Section 246 of the Companies Act 1985. It is our responsibility to form an independent opinion as to whether the company is entitled to deliver abbreviated accounts prepared in accordance with Section 246(5) and (6) of the Act to the Registrar of Companies and whether the accounts to be delivered are properly prepared in accordance with those provisions and to report our opinion to you.

Basis of Opinion

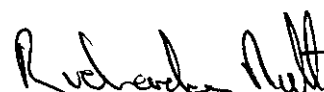
We have carried out the procedures we considered necessary to confirm, by reference to the accounts, that the company is entitled to deliver abbreviated accounts and that the abbreviated accounts to be delivered are properly prepared. The scope of our work for the purpose of this report did not include examining or dealing with events after the date of our report on the full statutory accounts.

Opinion

In our opinion the company is entitled to deliver abbreviated accounts prepared in accordance with sections 246(5) and (6) of the Companies Act 1985, and the abbreviated accounts on pages 2 to 4 are properly prepared in accordance with those provisions.

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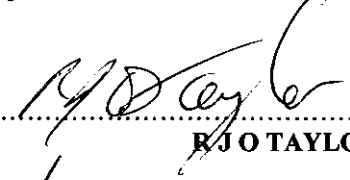
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CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS
REGISTERED AUDITORS**

OWEN TAYLOR & SONS LIMITED

ABBREVIATED BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 OCTOBER 1998

	NOTE NO	1998 £	1997 £
FIXED ASSETS			
Tangible Assets	4	460570	400481
CURRENT ASSETS			
Stocks	1	173345	164171
Debtors		423819	429641
Investments		106668	105047
Cash at Bank and in Hand		150	1015
		703982	699874
CREDITORS			
Amounts falling due within one year	2	405974	395601
NET CURRENT ASSETS		298008	304273
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		758578	704754
CREDITORS			
Amounts falling due after more than one year	2	26913	14612
		731665	690142
PROVISION FOR LIABILITIES AND CHARGES	1	17547	8464
		714118	681678
CAPITAL AND RESERVES			
Called Up Share Capital	3	80674	80674
Revaluation Reserve		3090	3090
Profit and Loss Account		630354	597914
		714118	681678

The abbreviated accounts have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part VII of the Companies Act 1985 relating to small companies and with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective March 1999).

Signed on behalf of the Board of Directors  Director

R J O TAYLOR

Approved by the Board on  Date

OWEN TAYLOR AND SONS LIMITED

NOTES TO THE ABBREVIATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS – YEAR ENDED 31 OCTOBER 1998

1 ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Convention

The financial statements have been prepared under the Historical Cost Convention (as modified by the revaluation of certain assets).

Depreciation

Depreciation is provided on all fixed assets other than freehold land and buildings and investment property at rates calculated to write off the cost over their estimated useful lives as follows:-

Plant and Machinery	-	15% p.a. reducing balance
Motor Vehicles	-	25% p.a. reducing balance
Computers	-	33 1/3% p.a. straight line

Freehold buildings are depreciated on the straight line basis at 2% p.a. No depreciation is provided on freehold land. No depreciation is provided on investment property in accordance with the requirements of S S A P 19. If depreciation had been provided this would have amounted to £500 (1997 - £500).

Stocks

Stocks are valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value.

Deferred Taxation

Deferred taxation is provided for under the liability method for timing differences between the treatment of certain items for taxation and accounting purposes to the extent that it is probable that a liability will crystallise in the foreseeable future.

Turnover

Turnover represents net sales from ordinary activities excluding Value Added Tax.

Pension Contributions

Contributions in respect of the company's defined contribution scheme are charged to the profit and loss account for the year in which they are payable to the scheme.

Leased Assets

Where assets are financed by lease purchase agreements that give rights approximating to ownership the assets are treated as if they had been purchased outright. The amount capitalised is the cost of the asset to the lease purchase company. The corresponding liability to the lease purchase company is included as an obligation under lease purchase agreements. Depreciation on these assets is charged to the profit and loss account on the same basis as shown above. Lease purchase payments are treated as consisting of capital and interest elements, and interest is charged to the profit and loss account on a straight line basis.

All other leases are treated as "operating leases" and the relevant annual rentals are charged to the profit and loss account.

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NOTES TO THE ABBREVIATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
YEAR ENDED 31 OCTOBER 1998
(CONTINUED)**2 CREDITORS**

Creditors includes the following:-

	Due within one year		Due after more than one year	
	1998	1997	1998	1997
	£	£	£	£
Secured lease purchase liabilities	24806	16635	26913	14612
Bank Overdraft (secured)	35821	78046	-	-

3 CALLED UP SHARE CAPITAL

	1998	1997
Authorised		
Ordinary Shares of £1 each	200000	200000
Allotted, Issued and Fully Paid		
Ordinary Shares of £1 each	80674	80674

4 FIXED ASSETS

	Tangible £
Cost or Valuation	
At 1 November 1997	634074
Additions	141094
Disposals	40697
At 31 October 1998	734471
Depreciation	
At 1 November 1997	233593
Charge for the Year	68127
On Disposals	27819
At 31 October 1998	273901
Net Book Value	
At 31 October 1998	460570
At 31 October 1997	400481