STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

2000 No. 188

FOOD

Colours in Food (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2000

Made	-	-	-	-	22nd May 2000
Coming into operation					3rd July 2000

The Department of Health, Social Services and Public Safety(1) in exercise of the powers conferred on it by Articles 15(1)(a), 16(1), 25(1) and (3), 26(3) and 47(2) of, and paragraph 1 of Schedule 1 to,the Food Safety (Northern Ireland) Order 1991(2) and of all other powers enabling it in that behalf, and after consultation in accordance with Article 47(3) of that Order with such organisations as appear to it to be representative of interests likely to be substantially affected by these Regulations, hereby makes the following Regulations:

Citation, commencement and interpretation

1.—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the Colours in Food (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2000 and shall come into operation on 3rd July 2000.

(2) In these Regulations "the principal Regulations" means the Colours in Food Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1996(**3**).

Amendment of the principal Regulations

2. In the principal Regulations, at the end of the definition of "Directive 95/45/EC" in regulation 2(1) there shall be added "as amended by Directive 99/75/EC(4).".

Consequential provision

3.—(1) Reference to the principal Regulations in the provisions listed in paragraph (2) shall be taken to be references to the principal Regulations as amended by these Regulations.

(2) The provisions to which paragraph (1) refers are—

⁽¹⁾ Formerly the Department of Health and Social Services; seeS.I.1999/283 (N.I. 1), Article 3

⁽²⁾ S.I. 1991/762 (N.I. 7) as amended by S.I. 1996/1633 (N.I. 12) and paragraphs 26 to 42 of Schedule 5 and Schedule 6 to the Food Standards Act 1999 c. 28

⁽**3**) S.R. 1996 No. 49

⁽⁴⁾ O.J. No. L206, 5.8.99, p. 14

- (a) the definition of "permitted colour" in regulation 2(1) (interpretation) of the Jam and Similar Products Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1982(5);
- (b) the definition of "additive" in regulation 2(1) (interpretation) of the Meat Products and Spreadable Fish Products Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1984(6);
- (c) the definition of "colour" in Part II of Schedule 1 (categories of food additives) to the Food Additives Labelling Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1992(7);
- (d) the definition of "colour" in regulation 2(1) (interpretation) of the Miscellaneous Food Additives Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1996(8); and
- (e) the definition of "the additives Regulations" in regulation 2(1) (interpretation) of the Food Labelling Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1996(9).

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of Health, Social Services and Public Safety on 22nd May 2000.

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⁽⁵⁾ S.R. 1982 No. 105; relevant amending Regulations are S.R. 1996 No. 49

⁽⁶⁾ S.R. 1984 No. 408; relevant amending Regulations are S.R. 1996 Nos. 48, 49 and 50

⁽⁷⁾ S.R. 1992 No. 417; relevant amending Regulations are S.R. 1996 No. 49

⁽⁸⁾ S.R. 1996 No. 50, to which there are amendments not relevant to these Regulations

⁽⁹⁾ S.R. 1996 No. 383, to which there are amendments not relevant to these Regulations

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations.)

These Regulations amend the Colours in Food Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1996 by bringing up to date a reference to Commission Directive 95/45/EC laying down specific criteria concerning colours for use in foodstuffs (O.J. No. L226, 22.9.95, p. 1) so as to cover its amendment by Commission Directive 1999/75/EC (O.J. No. L206, 5.8.99, p. 19), which changed the specification for "E160a(i) Mixed Carotenes", and by bringing up to date references to the 1996 Regulations in other Regulations.