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STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

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**2020 No. 56**

**ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION**

**The Single Use Carrier Bags Charge (Coronavirus Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2020**

*Made - - - - 31st March 2020*

*Coming into operation 1st April 2020*

The Department of Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs makes these Regulations in exercise of the powers conferred by sections 77(2), 90(2)(b) and 90(3)(a) and (b) of, and paragraphs 1 and 2(b) of Schedule 6 to, the Climate Change Act 2008<sup>(1)</sup> and now exercisable by it<sup>(2)</sup>.

**Citation and commencement**

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Single Use Carrier Bags Charge (Coronavirus Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2020 and shall come into operation on 1st April 2020.

**Amendment to the Single Use Carrier Bags Charge Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2013**

2. The Single Use Carrier Bags Charge Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2013<sup>(3)</sup> are amended in accordance with regulation 3.

**Amendment of Schedule 1**

3. In Schedule 1, after paragraph 1(1)(m) insert—

“(n) bags used solely to carry goods supplied by a seller for home delivery as part of a grocery service from 1<sup>st</sup> April to 30<sup>th</sup> September 2020 only.”.

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(1) 2008 c.27; relevant amendments were made by the Carrier Bags Act (Northern Ireland) 2014 (2014 c.7 (N.I.))

(2) S.R.2016 No.76; see Article 8(1)(c) of the Departments (Transfer of Functions) Order (Northern Ireland) 2016

(3) S.R.2013 No.4; relevant amendments were made by the Carrier Bags Act (Northern Ireland) 2014 (2014 c.7 (N.I.))

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Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs on 31st March 2020.



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Department of Agriculture, Environment and  
Rural Affairs

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## EXPLANATORY NOTE

*(This note is not part of the Order)*

These Regulations amend the Single Use Carrier Bags Charge Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2013 so that the requirement to charge for a carrier bag does not apply to bags used solely to carry goods supplied by a seller for home delivery as part of a grocery delivery service. Such bags are exempt from the requirement to charge from 1st April to 30th September 2020

An impact assessment has not been prepared for these Regulations as no, or no significant, impact on the private or voluntary sector is foreseen.