

## EXPLANATORY NOTE

*(This note is not part of the Regulations.)*

These Regulations implement as respects Northern Ireland Commission Directive [96/18/EC](#) (O.J. No. L76, 26.3.96, p. 21) amending Annex III to Council Directive [69/208/EEC](#) (O.J. No. L169, 10.7.69, p. 3) on the marketing of seed of oil and fibre plants as amended.

These Regulations, which come into operation on 23rd August 1996, amend the Oil and Fibre Plant Seeds Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1994 to increase the maximum seed lot weight for seeds of sunflower and soya bean to 25 tonnes.