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STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

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**2006 No. 3**

**The Food Hygiene Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2006**

**PART 1**

**PRELIMINARY**

**Enforcement**

**5.—(1)** In respect of any food business operator to whose operations Regulation 852/2004 applies but Regulation 853/2004 does not apply—

- (a) the Agency or the district council in whose district the food business operator carries out his operation shall execute and enforce the Hygiene Regulations in so far as the operator concerned is carrying out primary production and those associated operations listed in paragraph 1 of Part AI of Annex I to Regulation 852/2004 other than the associated operations described in sub-paragraphs (a) and (c) of that paragraph to the extent that they concern wild game; and
- (b) the district council in whose district the food business operator carries out his operations shall execute and enforce the Hygiene Regulations in so far as the operator concerned is carrying out operations which are not executed and enforced by the Agency or the district council as provided for in sub-paragraph (a).

**(2)** In respect of any food business operator to whose operations both Regulation 852/2004 and Regulation 853/2004 apply—

- (a) the Agency shall execute and enforce the Hygiene Regulations in so far as the operator concerned is carrying out operations in relation to—
    - (i) a slaughterhouse,
    - (ii) a game-handling establishment,
    - (iii) a cutting plant, and
    - (iv) the activities in respect of eggs as set out in Chapter I of Section X of Annex III to Regulation 853/2004;
  - (b) the Agency or the district council in whose district the food business operator carries out his operations shall execute and enforce the Hygiene Regulations in so far as the operator concerned is carrying out operations in relation to any establishment that is not specified in sub-paragraph (a).
- (3)** In respect of—
- (a) collection centres and tanneries supplying raw material for the production of gelatine intended for human consumption pursuant to paragraph 5 of Chapter I of Section XIV of Annex III to Regulation 853/2004; and
  - (b) collection centres and tanneries supplying raw material for the production of collagen intended for human consumption pursuant to paragraph 5 of Chapter I of Section XV of Annex III to Regulation 853/2004,

the Agency shall execute and enforce the Hygiene Regulations.

(4) Each district council shall execute and enforce these Regulations in its district in relation to the matters regulated by Schedules 3 to 5.

(5) The Agency shall execute and enforce these Regulations in relation to the matters regulated by Schedule 6.

(6) In this regulation—

“cutting plant” means an establishment which is used for boning and/or cutting up fresh meat for placing on the market and which—

- (a) is approved or conditionally approved under Article 31(2) of Regulation 882/2004; or
- (b) (although lacking the approval or conditional approval that it requires under Article 4(3) of Regulation 853/2004) was, on 31st December 2005, operating as licensed cutting premises under the Fresh Meat (Hygiene and Inspection) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1997<sup>(1)</sup> or the Poultry Meat, Farmed Game Bird Meat and Rabbit Meat (Hygiene and Inspection) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1995<sup>(2)</sup>;

“game-handling establishment” means any establishment in which game and game meat obtained after hunting are prepared for placing on the market and which—

- (a) is approved or conditionally approved under Article 31(2) of Regulation 882/2004; or
- (b) (although lacking the approval or conditional approval that it requires under Article 4(3) of Regulation 853/2004) was, on 31st December 2005, operating as a licensed wild game processing facility under the Wild Game (Hygiene and Inspection) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1997<sup>(3)</sup>; and

“slaughterhouse” means an establishment used for slaughtering and dressing animals, the meat of which is intended for human consumption and which—

- (a) is approved or conditionally approved under Article 31(2) of Regulation 882/2004; or
- (b) (although lacking the approval or conditional approval that it requires under Article 4(3) of Regulation 853/2004) was, on 31st December 2005, operating as a licensed slaughterhouse under the Fresh Meat (Hygiene and Inspection) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1997 or the Poultry Meat, Farmed Game Bird Meat and Rabbit Meat (Hygiene and Inspection) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1995.

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(1) [S.R. 1997 No. 493](#), revoked by [S.R. 2005 No. 356](#)  
(2) [S.R. 1995 No. 396](#), revoked by these Regulations  
(3) [S.R. 1997 No. 496](#), revoked by [S.R. 2005 No. 356](#)