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STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

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**AGRICULTURE**  
**FOOD**

**The Official Feed and Food Controls  
Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2009**

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The Department of Health, Social Services and Public Safety<sup>(1)</sup> makes the following Regulations in exercise of the powers conferred on it by section 2(2) of and paragraph 1A of Schedule 2 to the European Communities Act 1972<sup>(2)</sup>.

The Department of Health, Social Services and Public Safety, has been designated for the purposes of section 2(2) of the European Communities Act 1972 in relation to measures relating to food (including drink) including the primary production of food and measures relating to feed produced for or fed to food-producing animals<sup>(3)</sup>, the common agricultural policy of the European Community<sup>(4)</sup> and measures in the veterinary and phytosanitary fields for the protection of public health<sup>(5)</sup>.

These Regulations make provision for a purpose mentioned in section 2(2) of the European Communities Act 1972 and it appears to the Department of Health, Social Services and Public Safety that it is expedient for any reference to an EU instrument defined in Schedule 1 to be construed as a reference to that instrument as amended from time to time.

As required by Article 9 of Regulation (EC) No. 178/2002 of the European Parliament and of the Council laying down the general principles and requirements of food law, establishing the European Food Safety Authority and laying down procedures in matters of food safety<sup>(6)</sup> there has been open and transparent public consultation during the preparation and evaluation of the following Regulations.

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(1) Formerly the Department of Health and Social Services; see [S.I. 1999/283 \(N.I.1\)](#) Article 3(6) p.14

(2) [1972 c.68](#). Paragraph 1A of Schedule 2 was inserted by section 28 of the Legislative and Regulatory Reform Act 2006 ([2006 c.51](#))

(3) [S.I. 2003/2901](#)

(4) [S.I. 2000/2812](#)

(5) [S.I. 1999/2027](#)

(6) OJ No. L31, 1.2.2002, p.1, as last amended by Regulation (EC) No. 596/2009 (OJ No. L188, 18.7.2009 p.14)