#### STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

### 2018 No. 16

# The Animal Feed (Basic Safety Standards) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2018

#### Citation and commencement

**1.** These Regulations may be cited as the Animal Feed (Basic Safety Standards) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2018 and come into operation on 6th February 2018.

#### Interpretation

2.—(1) In these Regulations—

"DAERA" means the Department of Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs(1);

"feed" has the same meaning given in Article 3 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;

"radioactive substance" means any substance that contains one or more radionuclides the activity or activity concentration of which cannot be disregarded from a radiation protection point of view.

For the purpose of these Regulations, "import" and "export" are to be construed in accordance with the meanings that "importation" and "exportation" bear for the purposes of the Customs and Excise Management Act 1979(2).

(2) The Interpretation Act (Northern Ireland) 1954(3) shall apply to these Regulations as it applies to an Act of the Northern Ireland Assembly.

#### **Prohibition of practices**

- **3.** A person must not intentionally add a radioactive substance in the production of animal feed.
- **4.** A person must not import or export any animal feed in respect of which a radioactive substance has been intentionally added in the production of that feed.

#### Offences and penalties

**5.** Any person who contravenes regulation 3 or 4 is guilty of an offence and liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding level 5 on the standard scale or to imprisonment for a term not exceeding three months, or both.

#### **Enforcement**

**6.** It is the duty of DAERA to enforce these Regulations.

<sup>(1)</sup> Formerly the Department of Agriculture and Rural Development see 2016 c. 5 (N.I.), section 1

<sup>(</sup>**2**) 1979 c. 2

<sup>(3) 1954</sup> c.33 (NI)

## Amendment of the Animal Feed (Hygiene, Sampling etc. and Enforcement) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2016

- 7.—(1) The Animal Feed (Hygiene, Sampling etc. and Enforcement) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2016(4) are amended in accordance with paragraph (2).
- (2) In Schedule 1 (specified feed law), after the entry for "The Animal Feed (Hygiene, Sampling etc. and Enforcement) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2016", insert—

"The Animal Feed (Basic Safety Standards) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2018".

#### Amendment of the Official Feed and Food Controls Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2009.

- **8.**—(1) The Official Feed and Food Controls Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2009(5) are amended in accordance with paragraph (2).
- (2) In Schedule 2 (definition of relevant feed law), after paragraph (f), insert the following paragraph—
  - "(g) the Animal Feed (Basic Safety Standards) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2018.".

Sealed with the official seal of the Department of Health on 15th January 2018.



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<sup>(4)</sup> S.R. 2016 No. 5

<sup>(5)</sup> S.R. 2009 No. 427, amended by S.R. 2011 No. 48 and S.R 2014 No. 286