

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations are made in exercise of powers conferred by sections 11 and 22 of, Parts 1 and 1C of Schedule 2 and paragraph 21(b) of Schedule 7 to, the European Union (Withdrawal) Act 2018. They ensure that Northern Ireland primary legislation relating to plant health and animal diseases can continue to operate effectively after the EU exit transition period and remain aligned with the EU law in accordance with the Protocol on Ireland/Northern Ireland.

These Regulations also revoke certain provisions contained in EU Exit Statutory Instruments that are no longer relevant.

An impact assessment has not been produced for this instrument as no, or no significant, impact on the private or voluntary sector is foreseen.