

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations re-enact the Medicines (Hormone Growth Promoters) (Prohibition of Use) Regulations 1986 which were made to implement in part Council Directive [85/649/EEC](#) which was declared void by the Court of Justice of the European Communities in Case 68/86 on 23 February 1988.

The Regulations prohibit the administration of hormone growth promoters to animals except for therapeutic treatment or for certain other purposes concerning fertility or reproduction (regulation 3).

The Regulations implement in part Council Directives [81/602/EEC](#) (OJNo. L222, 7.8.81, p.32) and [88/146/EEC](#) (OJ No. L70, 16.3.88, p.16) concerning the use in livestock farming of certain substances having a hormonal action. The latter Directive was adopted by the Council to reinstate the provisions of Directive [85/649/EEC](#).