
EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

The Director General of Fair Trading (“DGFT”) is excluded under Part II of Schedule 7 to the Fair Trading Act 1973 from making monopoly references in respect of the supply of liquid cows' milk (except supply in containers for retail sale). This Order amends that exclusion so that the DGFT is excluded from making monopoly references in respect of the supply of liquid cows' milk under the milk marketing schemes having effect under the Agricultural Marketing Act 1958 or the Agricultural Marketing (Northern Ireland) Order 1982. Section 1 of the Agriculture Act 1993 provides for the schemes made under the Agricultural Marketing Act 1958 to be revoked. Article 4 of the Agriculture (Northern Ireland) Order 1993 provides for the scheme having effect under the Agricultural Marketing (Northern Ireland) Order 1982 to be revoked. The DGFT will therefore be able to make monopoly references in relation to the supply of liquid cows' milk to the extent that such supply is no longer taking place under such a scheme. The position with respect to supply of milk in containers for retail sale is unaffected.