

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order implements Council Directive [98/57/EC](#), on the control of *Ralstonia solanacearum* (Smith) Yabuuchi et al. (O.J. No. L235, 21.8.98, p. 1), by amending the Plant Health (Great Britain) Order 1993 in its application to England. This Order—

- (a) introduces further controls on planting seed potatoes (article 2(2));
- (b) inserts a new Schedule into the principal Order containing special measures for controlling the spread of *Ralstonia solanacearum* (Smith) Yabuuchi et al. (article 2(2) and 2(5));
- (c) provides for the demarcation of zones to prevent the spread of *Ralstonia solanacearum* (Smith) Yabuuchi et al. (article 2(3));
- (d) substitutes all references to “*Pseudomonas solanacearum* (Smith) Smith” in the principal Order with the term “*Ralstonia solanacearum* (Smith) Yabuuchi et al.” (article 2(4)).