STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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HEALTH CARE AND ASSOCIATED PROFESSIONS PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS

The European Qualifications (Health and Social Care Professions) Regulations 2016

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The Secretary of State is designated(1) for the purposes of section 2(2) of the European Communities Act 1972(2) in relation to measures relating to access to, the training for, the pursuit of, and the award of qualifications in the professions of medicine, pharmacy, dentistry, nursing and midwifery, and their specialities, in certain other health care professions and in the profession of social worker, and in relation to the recognition of higher education diplomas, formal qualifications, or experience in the occupation, required for the pursuit of professions or occupations.

These Regulations make provision for a purpose mentioned in section 2(2) of the European Communities Act 1972 and it appears expedient to the Secretary of State for certain references to provisions of European Union instruments to be construed as references to those provisions as amended from time to time.

The Secretary of State makes the following Regulations in exercise of the powers conferred by section 2(2) of the European Communities Act 1972, as read with paragraph 1A of Schedule 2 to that Act(3).

⁽¹⁾ S.I. 1995/3207; 2002/248; and 2003/2901. There are amendments to S.I. 2002/248 and 2003/2901, but these are not relevant to these Regulations. Under section 57(1) of the Scotland Act 1998 (c.46), despite the transfer to Scotlish Ministers of functions in relation to implementing obligations under European Union law in relation to certain matters by virtue of section 53 of that Act, these functions continue to be exercisable by the Secretary of State as regards Scotland for the purposes specified in section 2(2) of the European Communities Act 1972 (c.68).

⁽²⁾ Section 2(2) was amended by section 27(1)(a) of the Legislative and Regulatory Reform Act 2006 (c.51) and by section 3(3) of, and Part 1 of the Schedule to, the European Union (Amendment) Act 2008 (c.7).

⁽³⁾ Paragraph 1A was inserted by section 28 of the Legislative and Regulatory Reform Act 2006 and was amended by section 3(3) of, and Part 1 of the Schedule to, the European Union (Amendment) Act 2008 and by S.I. 2007/1388.