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## EXPLANATORY NOTE

*(This note is not part of the Regulations)*

These Regulations amend the Common Agricultural Policy Single Payment and Support Schemes (Cross Compliance) (Wales) Regulations 2004, S.I.2004/3280. The purpose of the amendments is to:

- make provision in Wales for the administration and enforcement of cross compliance under Council Regulation (EC) No 73/2009: OJ No L 30, 31.1.09, p. 16 (“the Council Regulation”) and Commission Regulation (EC) No 1122/2009: OJ No L 316, 2.12.09, p. 65 (“the Commission Regulation”) in relation to payment schemes under the common agricultural policy.
- introduce additional standards of good agricultural and environmental condition relating to the abstraction of water for irrigation and the protection of landscape features. The Council Regulation requires the introduction of these additional standards.