The Welsh Ministers make the following Regulations in exercise of the powers conferred by sections 16(1) and (3), 17(1), 26(1) and (3) and 48(1)(c) and (4) of the Food Safety Act 1990(1) and now vested in them(2).

In accordance with section 48(4A) of that Act, they have had regard to relevant advice given by the Food Standards Agency.

As required by Article 9 of Regulation (EC) No. 178/2002 of the European Parliament and of the Council laying down the general principles and requirements of food law, establishing the European Food Safety Authority and laying down procedures in matters of food safety(3) there has been open and transparent public consultation during the preparation and evaluation of these Regulations.

Title application and commencement

1. The title of these Regulations is the Food (Miscellaneous Amendment and Revocation) (Wales) Regulations 2013, they apply in relation to Wales and come into force on 6 April 2013.

Amendment of the Food Labelling Regulations 1996

2.—(1) The Food Labelling Regulations 1996(4) are amended in accordance with paragraph (2).

(1) 1990 c. 16.

(2) Functions of “the Ministers” so far as exercisable in relation to Wales were transferred to the National Assembly for Wales by the National Assembly for Wales (Transfer of Functions) Order 1999 (S.I. 1999/672) as read with section 40(3) of the Food Standards Act 1999 (1999 c. 28), and subsequently transferred to the Welsh Ministers by paragraph 30 of Schedule 11 to the Government of Wales Act 2006 (2006 c. 32).


(4) S.I. 1996/1499, to which the relevant amending instruments are S.I.2008/1268 (W.128); S.I. 2009/2880 (W. 253) and S.I. 2011/465 (W.70).
(2) In regulation 50 (transitional provision), for subparagraph (b) of paragraph (15) substitute the following —

“(b) the matters constituting the alleged offence would not have constituted an offence under these Regulations if the amendments made by paragraphs (1) to (5) and (7) of regulation 2 of the Food Labelling (Declaration of Allergens) (Wales) Regulations 2008(5) had not been in operation when the food was sold.”.

Revocation

3. The following Regulations are revoked —
   (a) The Arsenic In Food Regulations 1959(6);
   (b) The Arsenic In Food (Amendment) Regulations 1960(7);
   (c) The Arsenic In Food (Amendment) Regulations 1973(8);
   (d) The Chloroform in Food Regulations 1980(9); and
   (e) The Ungraded Eggs (Hygiene) Regulations 1990(10).

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(5)  S.I. 2008/1268 (W.128).
(6)  S.I. 1959/831.
(7)  S.I. 1960/2261.
(8)  S.I. 1973/1052.
(9)  S.I. 1980/36.
(10) S.I. 1990/1323.
EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

1. These Regulations make a further amendment to regulation 50(15) of the Food Labelling Regulations 1996 (S.I. 1996/1499), in so far as they apply in relation to Wales, in order to correct an error in a previous amending instrument (S.I. 2011/465 (W.70)).

2. In addition, these Regulations revoke, in so far as they apply in relation to Wales —
   (a) the Arsenic In Food Regulations 1959 (S.I. 1959/831) and their amending instruments;
   (b) the Chloroform in Food Regulations 1980 (S.I. 1980/36); and
   (c) the Ungraded Eggs (Hygiene) Regulations 1990 (S.I. 1990/1323).

3. The Welsh Ministers' Code of Practice on the carrying out of Regulatory Impact Assessments was considered in relation to these Regulations. As a result, it was not considered necessary to carry out a regulatory impact assessment as to the likely costs and benefits of complying with these Regulations.