STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

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FOOD

The Eggs and Chicks Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2010

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The Department of Agriculture and Rural Development is designated(1) for the purposes of section 2(2) of the European Communities Act 1972(2) in relation to the common agricultural policy of the European Community.

These Regulations make provision for a purpose mentioned in section 2(2) of the European Communities Act 1972, and it appears to the Department that it is expedient for any reference to the following Regulations to be construed as a reference to those Regulations as amended from time to time—

- (a) Council Regulation (EC) No. 1234/2007(3) establishing a common organisation of agricultural markets and on specific provisions for certain agricultural products (Single CMO Regulation);
- (b) Commission Regulation (EC) No. 589/2008(4) laying down detailed rules for implementing Regulation (EC) No. 1234/2007 as regards marketing standards for eggs; and
- (c) Commission Regulation (EC) No. 617/2008(5) laying down detailed rules for implementing Regulation (EC) No. 1234/2007 as regards marketing standards for eggs for hatching and farmyard poultry chicks.

Insofar as these Regulations are made in exercise of powers under the Food Safety (Northern Ireland) Order 1991(6), the Department has had regard to relevant advice given by the Food Standards Agency as required by Article 47(3A)(7) of that Order.

There has been open and transparent public consultation during the preparation of the following Regulations as required by Article 9 of Regulation (EC) No. 178/2002 of the European Parliament and of the Council(8) 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.

⁽¹⁾ S.I. 2000/2812

⁽**2**) 1972 c. 68

⁽³⁾ O.J. No. L 299, 16.11.2007, p. 1, last amended by Council Regulation (EC) No. 1140/2009 (O.J. No. L 312, 27.11.2009, p. 4)

 ⁽⁴⁾ O.J. No. L 163, 24.6.2008, p. 6, last amended by Commission Regulation (EC) No. 598/2008 (O.J. No. L 164, 25.6.2008, p. 14)
 (5) O.J. No. L 168, 28.6.2008, p. 5

⁽⁶⁾ S.I. 1991/762 (N.I. 7) as amended by S.I. 1996/1633 (N.I. 12) and 1999 c. 28

⁽⁷⁾ Article 47(3A) was inserted by paragraphs 26 and 40 of Schedule 5 to the Food Standards Act 1999 (c. 28)

⁽⁸⁾ O.J. No. L 31, 1.2.2002, p. 1, last amended by Regulation (EC) No. 596/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council (O.J. No. L 188, 18.7.2009, p. 14)

Accordingly, the Department makes the following Regulations in exercise of the powers conferred by section 2(2) of, and paragraph 1A(9) of Schedule 2 to, the European Communities Act 1972; and Articles 15(1)(10), 16(11), 25(12), 26(3)(13) and 47(2)(14) of the Food Safety (Northern Ireland) Order 1991.

⁽⁹⁾ Paragraph 1A of Schedule 2 was inserted by section 28 of the Legislative and Regulatory Reform Act 2006 (c. 51)

⁽¹⁰⁾ Article 15(1) was amended by paragraphs 26 and 27 of Schedule 5 to the Food Standards Act 1999

⁽¹¹⁾ Article 16 was amended by paragraphs 26 and 27 of Schedule 5 to the Food Standards Act 1999

⁽¹²⁾ Article 25 was amended by Schedule 6 to the Food Standards Act 1999

⁽¹³⁾ Article 26(3) was amended by paragraphs 26, 33(1) and (5) of Schedule 5 to the Food Standards Act 1999
(14) Article 47(2) was amended by paragraphs 26 and 27 of Schedule 5 to the Food Standards Act 1999