
EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations amend the Seed Potatoes Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2016 ([S.R. 2016 No. 190](#)) (“the principal Regulations”).

Regulation 4 implements Article 5 of Commission Implementing Directive (EU) 2016/317 (OJ L 60, 5.3.16, p 72), which amends Section (A) of Annex III to [Directive 2002/56/EC](#), to add an “Officially assigned serial number” to the label particulars required for the official label on a package or container of basic seed potatoes under Schedule 2 to the principal Regulations.

Regulation 3 makes a minor amendment to regulation 11(3)(a) of the principal Regulations to correct an erroneous reference.