

---

## EXPLANATORY NOTE

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

These Regulations amend the Deposit and Return Scheme for Scotland Regulations 2020 (“the 2020 Regulations”) which make provision for the operation of a deposit and return scheme. These Regulations come into force on the day after the day on which they are made.

Regulation 3 amends the date in regulation 1(5) of the 2020 Regulations (the date on which parts 2, 7 and 8, and certain provisions in Part 5, of the 2020 Regulations come into force).

Regulation 4 amends the definition of scheme article in the 2020 Regulations.

Regulation 5 amends regulation 5 of the 2020 Regulations so that the obligations there take effect from 1 October 2025. Regulation 6 amends the dates by which a producer must apply for registration under regulation 7(2) of the 2020 Regulations. Regulation 7 amends the dates from which such registration takes effect under regulation 8 of the 2020 Regulations.

Regulation 8 amends the date by which the 2020 Regulations must be reviewed.

Regulation 9 amends paragraph 1 of schedule 3 so that the collection target of the first full year of the scheme is 80% and the target for subsequent years is 90%.

Regulation 10 amends the date by which a producer must first apply to be listed as a producer of a low volume drink product under schedule 5 of the 2020 Regulations as well as the date from which such listing takes effect in 2025.

Regulation 11 amends the Deposit and Return Scheme for Scotland Amendment Regulations 2023 to omit the transitional provision.

An update to the Business Regulatory Impact Assessment will be published by the Scottish Government online at [gov.scot](https://www.gov.scot).