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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**FOOD**

**The Plastic Materials and Articles in  
Contact with Food Regulations 1998**

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**THE PLASTIC MATERIALS AND ARTICLES IN  
CONTACT WITH FOOD REGULATIONS 1998**

1. Title, commencement and extent
  2. Interpretation
  3. Restriction on the use, sale or importation of plastic materials and articles
  4. Restriction on manufacture with monomers
  5. Restriction on manufacture with additives
  6. Method of testing capability of transferring constituents
  7. Transfer of constituents
  8. Labelling
  9. Enforcement
  10. Offences
  11. Presumption as to food with which a plastic material or article is to come into contact
  12. Application of other provisions
  13. Amendment of existing Regulations
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SCHEDULE 1 —  
PART I — Authorised Monomers

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## SECTION A

*Monomers authorised without time limit*

## SECTION B

*Monomers authorised up to the end of 2001*

## SECTION C

*Monomers authorised up to the end of 1998*

### PART II — Supplementary

1. In regulation 4 and Part I of this Schedule—
2. If a substance appearing in Part I of this Schedule...
  3. (1) The items identified in Part I of this Schedule...
- (2) If a substance identified in Part I of this Schedule...
- (3) If, as indicated in paragraph 2 of Annex II to...

### SCHEDULE 2 —

#### PART I — Additives

#### PART II — SUPPLEMENTARY

1. In regulation 5 and Part I of this Schedule—
2. If a substance identified in Part I of this Schedule...
3. If, as indicated in paragraph 2 of Annex III to...

### SCHEDULE 3 — PROVISIONS APPLICABLE WHEN TESTING COMPLIANCE WITH THE MIGRATION LIMITS

1. A. General provisions
2. Where any migration test specified in this Schedule and, where...
3. (1) Subject to sub-paragraph (2) below, any testing of migration...
4. (1) Any sample of a plastic material or article shall...
5. Where a plastic material or article is intended to come...
6. B. Special provisions relating to overall migration
7. (1) Where a plastic material or article is intended to...
8. (1) Any plastic material or article which exceeds its overall...

### SCHEDULE 4 — OVERALL AND SPECIFIC MIGRATION TESTING USING FOOD SIMULANTS

#### PART I — Basic Rules

1. Subject to paragraphs 2, 3 and 4 of this Part...
2. Subject to paragraphs 3 and 4 of this Part of...
3. Subject to paragraph 4 of this Part of this Schedule,...

#### PART II — Food Simulants to be used in Migration Testing

1. Subject to Parts III, IV, V, VI and VII of...
2. For the purposes of this Schedule a reference to an...
3. The characteristics of rectified olive oil referred to in the...
4. The fatty food simulants referred to in the Table are—...
5. Where a fatty food simulant specified in paragraph 4 of...

#### PART III — Selection of Food Simulants

1. A. Testing, reduction factors and definition of food types
2. (1) Where a test is carried out on a plastic...
3. Food types are defined in the Table to this paragraph...

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4. B. Selection of simulants for testing materials and articles intended for contact with all food types
5. C. Selection of simulants for testing materials and articles which are already in contact with a known food
6. D. Selection of simulants for testing materials and articles which are accompanied by a specific indication
7. The simulant or simulants to be used in testing a...
8. A specific indication referred to in paragraph 7 of this...
  - PART IV — Simulants to be used in relation to a specific food or a specific group of foods
    1. For the purposes of this Part of this Schedule a...
    2. For the purposes of this Part of this Schedule—
    3. Where, in the Table to this Part of this Schedule,...
    4. Where, in the Table to this Part of this Schedule,...
    5. Where a food is listed in the Table to this...
      - PART V — Migration Test Conditions (Times and Temperatures)
        1. A. General criteria
        2. Where the plastic material or article being tested is intended...
        3. For the purposes of this Part of this Schedule the...
        4. B. Volatile migrants
        5. C. Special cases
        6. Where the carrying out of a migration test under contact...
        7. Where, in actual use, the plastic material or article being...
        8. The Table to this Part of this Schedule shall be...
          - PART VI — Substitute Fat Test for Overall and Specific Migration
            1. Subject to paragraphs 2, 4 and 5 below, all the...
            2. Test conditions other than those specified in the Table to...
            3. For each test— (a) a new test specimen shall be...
            4. Where carrying out a migration test causes any physical or...
            5. Any test conditions in the Table to this Part of...
            6. The Table to this Part of this Schedule shall be...
              - PART VII — Alternative Fat Tests for Overall and Specific Migration
                1. Subject to paragraph 2 of this Part of this Schedule...
                2. The condition in sub-paragraph (a) of paragraph 1 of this...
                3. The migration tests referred to in paragraphs 2 and 3...

Explanatory Note