
EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations revoke and replace the Meat Products (Wales) Regulations 2004 (S.I. 2004/1396 (W. 141)). They apply in relation to Wales (regulation 1).

The Regulations prohibit the use of specified names in the sale and advertising of regulated products if the products do not satisfy specific compositional requirements (regulation 4 and Schedule 1).

The Regulations prohibit, subject to an exception, the sale of uncooked regulated products which include among their ingredients specified parts of the carcass of any mammalian species of animal (regulation 5).

The Regulations impose an obligation on food authorities and port health authorities to enforce the Regulations (regulation 6).

Regulation 7 applies certain provisions of the Food Safety Act 1990 (1990 c. 16) with modifications. This includes the application (with modifications) of section 10(1) and (2), enabling an improvement notice to be served to require compliance with regulations 4(1) or (2) or 5(1). The provisions, as applied, make the failure to comply with an improvement notice an offence. In addition, the Regulations apply sections 37(1) and (6) and 39 of the Food Safety Act 1990 with modifications, enabling a decision to serve an improvement notice to be appealed (regulation 7).

The Regulations also apply certain other provisions of the Food Safety Act 1990, with modifications (regulation 7 and Schedule 2).

As well as revoking the Meat Products (Wales) Regulations 2004, the Regulations revoke the Meat Products (Wales) (Amendment) Regulations 2008 (S.I. 2008/713 (W. 74)) (regulation 8).

Regulation 9 and Schedule 3 make consequential amendments to the Healthy Eating in Schools (Nutritional Standards and Requirements) (Wales) Regulations 2013.

The Welsh Ministers' Code of Practice on the carrying out of Regulatory Impact Assessments was considered in relation to these Regulations. As a result, a regulatory assessment has been prepared as to the likely costs and benefits of complying with these Regulations. A copy can be obtained from the Food Standards Agency at Food Standards Agency Wales, 11th Floor, Southgate House, Wood Street, Cardiff, CF10 1EW.