WELSH STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2022 No. 209 (W. 67)

FOOD, WALES

The Eggs (Wales) Regulations 2022

Made	-	-	-	-		2 March 2022
Coming i	nto f	orce		-	-	4 March 2022

The Welsh Ministers make these Regulations in exercise of the powers conferred by section 50(3) and paragraph 16(1) of Schedule 5 to, the Agriculture Act 2020(1).

As required by Article 9 of Regulation (EC) No 178/2002 of the European Parliament and of the Council 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(2) there has been open and transparent public consultation during the preparation of these Regulations.

In accordance with section 50(6)(c) of, and paragraph 16(5) of Schedule 5 to, the Agriculture Act 2020, a draft of this instrument has been laid before and approved by a resolution of Senedd Cymru.

Title, commencement and application

1.—(1) The title of these Regulations is the Eggs (Wales) Regulations 2022 and they come into force on 4 March 2022.

(2) These Regulations apply in relation to Wales.

Amendment of Commission Regulation (EC) No 589/2008

2.—(1) Commission Regulation (EC) No 589/2008 laying down detailed rules for implementing Council Regulation (EC) No 1234/2007 as regards marketing standards for eggs(**3**) is amended in accordance with paragraph (2).

(2) In Article 24(3), in the first sub-paragraph, for the words from "at the time" to "free circulation" substitute "before being offered for sale to the final consumer or to mass caterers".

⁽**1**) 2020 c. 21.

⁽²⁾ EUR 2002/178, to which there are amendments not relevant to these Regulations.

⁽³⁾ EUR 2008/589, amended by S.I. 2019/1422; there are other amending instruments, but none is relevant.

Lesley Griffiths Minister for Rural Affairs and North Wales, and Trefnydd, one of the Welsh Ministers

2 March 2022

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations amend the retained EU law that establishes marketing standards for eggs. They apply in relation to Wales.

They amend retained Commission Regulation (EC) No 589/2008 (EUR 2008/589) on marketing standards for eggs, by permitting marketing standards checks on Class A eggs to take place at locations such as packing centres and wholesalers' premises, but before sale to the final consumer or to mass caterers, rather than requiring the checks to be carried out before customs clearance.

The Welsh Minister's Code of Practice on the carrying out of Regulatory Impact Assessments was considered in relation to these Regulations. As a result, it was not considered necessary to carry out a regulatory impact assessment as to the likely cost and benefits of complying with these Regulations.