STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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ANIMALS, ENGLAND

ANIMAL WELFARE

The Code of Practice for the Welfare of Meat Chickens and Meat Breeding Chickens (Appointed Day and Revocation) (England) Order 2018

Made - - - - 5th March 2018

The Secretary of State makes this Order in exercise of the powers conferred by sections 15(5) and (7) and 17(1) and (2) of the Animal Welfare Act 2006 ("the Act")(**1**).

In accordance with section 15(1) of the Act, the Secretary of State published a draft code of practice, consulted on the draft such persons appearing to the Secretary of State to represent any interests concerned as the Secretary of State considered appropriate and considered any representations made by them.

In accordance with section 15(2) of the Act, the Secretary of State laid a draft of the code of practice referred to in article 2 of this instrument before Parliament on 9th January 2018.

In accordance with section 15(4) of the Act, within a period of forty days(**2**) neither House resolved not to approve the draft and the Secretary of State issued the code in the form of the draft.

Citation

1. This Order may be cited as the Code of Practice for the Welfare of Meat Chickens and Meat Breeding Chickens (Appointed Day and Revocation) (England) Order 2018.

Appointed day

2. The day appointed for the coming into force of the Code of Practice for the Welfare of Meat Chickens and Meat Breeding Chickens is 26th March 2018.

(**1**) 2006 c. 45. For the purpose of issuing and revising codes of practice under section 14, the Secretary of State is the "appropriate national authority" in relation to England, as defined in section 62(1).
(**2**) The "40-day period" is defined in section 15(8) of the Animal Welfare Act 2006.