SCOTTISH STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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ANIMALS

The Registration of Establishments Keeping Laying Hens (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2004

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The Scottish Ministers, in exercise of the powers conferred by section 2(2) of the European Communities Act 1972(**1**) and of all other powers enabling them in that behalf, hereby make the following Regulations:

Citation and commencement

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Registration of Establishments Keeping Laying Hens (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2004 and shall come into force on 1st March 2004.

Amendment of the Registration of Establishments Keeping Laying Hens (Scotland) Regulations 2003

2.—(1) The Registration of Establishments Keeping Laying Hens (Scotland) Regulations 2003(**2**) are amended in accordance with the following paragraphs.

(2) In regulation 2(1) (interpretation), after the definition of "laying hens" insert–

""local authority" means a council constituted under section 2 of the Local Government etc. (Scotland) Act 1994(**3**);".

(3) In regulation 4 (register of establishments and provision of distinguishing number)–

(a) for paragraph (2), substitute–

"(2) The Scottish Ministers shall, within 21 days of receipt of an application which complies with regulation 5(1) below, record the establishment to which the application refers on the register, allocate to that establishment a distinguishing number

(**1**) 1972 c. 68. Section 2(2) was amended by the Scotland Act 1998 (c. 46), Schedule 8, paragraph 15(3). The function conferred upon the Minister of the Crown under section 2(2) of the European Communities Act 1972, insofar as within devolved competence, was transferred to the Scottish Ministers by virtue of section 53 of the Scotland Act 1998.

(**2**) S.S.I. 2003/576.

(**3**) 1994 c. 39.