STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

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The Food Hygiene (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2012

Made - - - -	*16th March 2012*
Coming into operation	*10th April 2012*

The Department of Health, Social Services and Public Safety(**1**) makes the following Regulations in exercise of the powers conferred on it by section 2(2) of the European Communities Act 1972(**2**).

The Department of Health, Social Services and Public Safety has been designated for the purposes of that section in relation to measures relating to food (including drink) including the primary production of food(**3**).

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(**4**) there has been open and transparent public consultation during the preparation of the following Regulations.

Citation, commencement and interpretation

1.—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the Food Hygiene (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2012 and come into operation on 10th April 2012.

(2) The Interpretation Act (Northern Ireland) 1954(**5**) applies to these Regulations as it applies to an Act of the Northern Ireland Assembly.

Amendments to the Food Hygiene Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2006

2.—(1) The Food Hygiene Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2006(**6**) are amended in accordance with the following paragraphs.

(**1**) Formerly the Department of Health and Social Services; see S.I. 1999/283 (N.I.1) Article 3(6)
(**2**) 1972 c.68
(**3**) S.I. 2003/2901
(**4**) OJ No. L31, 1.2.2002, p.1, as last amended by Regulation (EC) No. 596/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council adapting a number of instruments subject to the procedure referred to in Article 251 of the Treaty to Council Decision 1999/468/EC with regard to the regulatory procedure with scrutiny: Adaptation to the regulatory procedure with scrutiny-Part Four (OJ No. L188, 18.7.2009, p.14)
(**5**) 1954 c.33 (N.I.)
(**6**) S.R. 2006 No. 3, as amended by S.R. 2007 No. 16 and S.R. 2010 No. 83