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The Imported Food (Bivalve Molluscs and Marine Gastropods from Japan) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1992

Made	*28th July 1992*
Coming into operation . .	*28th August 1992*

The Department of Health and Social Services in exercise of the powers conferred on it by Articles 15(1)(*f*), 16(1), 25(3), 26(3) and 47(2) of the Food Safety (Northern Ireland) Order 1991(**a**) and of all other powers enabling it in that behalf and after consultation in accordance with Article 47(3) of that Order with such organisations as appear to it to be representative of interests likely to be substantially affected by these Regulations, hereby makes the following Regulations:

Citation, commencement and interpretation

1.—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the Imported Food (Bivalve Molluscs and Marine Gastropods from Japan) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1992 and shall come into operation on 28th August 1992.

(2) In these Regulations—

"the Order" means the Food Safety (Northern Ireland) Order 1991;

"relevant bivalve mollusc or marine gastropod" means any bivalve mollusc or marine gastropod which has been—

(*a*) harvested in Japan;

(*b*) landed in Japan;

(*c*) subjected to any process or preparation in Japan; or

(*d*) consigned from Japan by way of export.

Prohibition of imports of relevant bivalve molluscs and marine gastropods

2. No person shall import into Northern Ireland any food or food source comprising or containing a relevant bivalve mollusc or marine gastropod or any food comprising or containing anything derived from a relevant bivalve mollusc or marine gastropod by means of any process or preparation.

Offences

3. Any person who contravenes regulation 2 shall be guilty of an offence, triable only summarily, and liable on conviction to imprisonment for a period not exceeding three months, or to a fine not exceeding £2,000, or to both.

(a) S.I. 1991/762 (N.I. 7). *See* Article 2(2) for the definitions of "regulations" and "the Department concerned"