Draft Regulations laid before the Assembly under section 2(14) of the Period Products (Free Provision) Act (Northern Ireland) 2022 for approval by resolution of the Assembly.

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2024 No.

PERIOD PRODUCTS (FREE PROVISION)

The Period Products (Department of Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs Specified Public Service Bodies) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2024

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Coming into operation XXXX 2024

The Department of Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs(a) makes the following Regulations in exercise of the powers conferred by section 2(1) and (13) of the Period Products (Free Provision) Act (Northern Ireland) 2022(b). In accordance with section 2(8)(a) of that Act, the Department of Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs has consulted with the public service bodies specified by these Regulations and such other bodies or persons as it thinks appropriate.

Citation and Commencement

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Period Products (Department of Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs Specified Public Service Bodies) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2024 and shall come into operation on XXXX 2024.

Specified public service bodies

2. The bodies listed in the Schedule to these Regulation are specified as public service bodies to which the duty in section 2(3) of the Period Products (Free Provision) Act (Northern Ireland) 2022 applies.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs on xxth February 2024.

Senior Official
A senior officer of the
Department of Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs

⁽a) See 2016 c.5 (N.I.), see section 1 and Schedule 1

⁽**b**) 2022 c.25 (N.I.)

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Specified Public Service Bodies

The Agri-Food and Biosciences Institute, as established by the Agriculture (Northern Ireland) Order 2004(a);

The Livestock and Meat Commission for Northern Ireland, as established by the Livestock Marketing Commission Act (Northern Ireland) 1967(**b**); and

The Northern Ireland Fishery Harbour Authority, as established by the Northern Ireland Fishery Harbour Authority Order (Northern Ireland) 1973(c).

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations specify the public service bodies within the functions of the Department of Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs that are subject to the duty to ensure that period products are obtainable free of charge by persons on their premises who need to use them from a date specified in the Period Products (Free Provision) Act (Northern Ireland) 2022. The following bodies are designated specified public service bodies: the Agri-Food and Biosciences Institute; the Livestock and Meat Commission for Northern Ireland; and the Northern Ireland Fishery Harbour Authority.

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⁽a) S.I. 2004/3327 (N.I. 23) to which there are amendments not relevant to these Regulations

⁽b) 1967 c. 21 (N.I.) to which there are amendments not relevant to these Regulations

⁽c) S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1973 No. 35 to which there are amendments not relevant to these Regulations

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