

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations revoke (at *regulation 12*) and remake with amendments provisions of the Food Safety (Sampling and Qualifications) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1991 (S.R. 1991 No. 198).

These Regulations —

- (a) specify the qualifications necessary to be a public analyst or food analyst (*regulation 4*) or food examiner (*regulation 5 and Schedule 2*) for the purposes of the Food Safety (Northern Ireland) Order 1991;
- (b) prohibit specified persons from carrying out analyses or examinations (*regulation 6*);
- (c) specify the procedures to be followed when a sample has been procured under that Order for analysis or examination (*regulations 7, 8 and 9*), and exclude from these procedures samples taken under Regulations which have their own procedures (*regulation 3 and Schedule 1*); and
- (d) prescribe the form of certificate to be used by analysts and examiners in making their reports (*regulation 10 and Schedule 3*).

The Regulations also make consequential amendments to other Regulations (*regulation 11*).

Changes to legislation:

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the The Food Safety (Sampling and Qualifications) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2013.