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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**1991 No. 762**

**The Food Safety(Northern Ireland) Order 1991**

**PART II**

**GENERAL PROVISIONS AS TO FOOD**

*Food safety*

**Improvement notices**

**9.**—(1) If an authorised officer has reasonable grounds for believing that the proprietor of a food business is failing to comply with any regulations to which this Article applies, he may, by a notice served on that proprietor (an “improvement notice”)—

- (a) state the officer’s grounds for believing that the proprietor is failing to comply with the regulations;
  - (b) specify the matters which constitute the proprietor’s failure so to comply;
  - (c) specify the measures which, in the officer’s opinion, the proprietor must take in order to secure compliance; and
  - (d) require the proprietor to take those measures, or measures which are at least equivalent to them, within such period (not being less than 14 days) as may be specified in the notice.
- (2) Any person who fails to comply with an improvement notice shall be guilty of an offence.
- (3) This Article and Article 10 apply to any regulations under this Part which make provision—
- (a) for requiring, prohibiting or regulating the use of any process or treatment in the preparation of food; or
  - (b) for securing the observance of hygienic conditions and practices in connection with the carrying out of commercial operations with respect to food or food sources.