
STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

1996 No. 385

FOOD

**Bread and Flour (Amendment)
Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1996**

Made - - - - *15th August 1996*

Coming into operation *1st October 1996*

The Department of Health and Social Services in exercise of the powers conferred on it by Articles 15(1)(a), (e) and (f), 16(1), 25(1)(a) and (3), 26(3) and 47(2) of the Food Safety (Northern Ireland) Order 1991(1) and of all other powers enabling it in that behalf and after consultation in accordance with Article 47(3) of the said 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 Bread and Flour (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1996 and shall come into operation on 1st October 1996.

(2) In these Regulations “the principal Regulations” means the Bread and Flour Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1996(2).

Amendment of the principal Regulations

2. The principal Regulations shall be amended as follows—

(a) in regulation 2 (interpretation)—

(i) after the definition of “EEA State” there shall be inserted—

““enzyme preparation” means any food additive which consists of one or more enzymes with or without the addition of supplementary material to facilitate the storage, sale, standardisation, dilution or dissolution of the enzyme or enzymes;”;

(ii) in the definition of “flour treatment agent”, after “food additive” there shall be inserted “, other than an enzyme preparation,”;

(b) in regulation 3 (exemptions)—

(1) S.I.1991/762 (N.I. 7). See Article 2(2) for the definitions of “the Department concerned” and “regulations”
(2) S.R. 1996 No. 51; the relevant amending Regulations are S.R. 1996 No. 383

- (i) for paragraph (2) there shall be substituted—
 - “(2) These Regulations shall not apply in respect of—
 - (a) any bread brought into Northern Ireland from an EEA State in which it was lawfully produced and sold;
 - (b) any flour brought into Northern Ireland from a member State in which it was lawfully produced and sold;
 - (c) any bread or flour lawfully produced in another member State and brought into Northern Ireland from a member State in which it was lawfully sold;
 - (d) any bread or flour lawfully produced outside the European Community and brought into Northern Ireland from a member State in which it was in free circulation and lawfully sold,
which is suitably labelled to give the nature of the bread or flour.”;
 - (ii) for “shall be construed in accordance with” in paragraph (3) there shall be substituted “has the same meaning as in”;
- (c) in regulation 5 (additional ingredients)—
 - (i) “enzyme preparation,” where it first occurs in paragraph (1) shall be deleted, and for “an enzyme preparation,” in that paragraph there shall be substituted “a”;
 - (ii) “enzyme preparation,” in each place where it occurs in paragraph (2) shall be deleted;
- (d) in regulation 10 (transitional provisions), for “against” in each place where it occurs there shall be substituted “under”;
- (e) in Schedule 3 (ingredients permitted in flour and bread) the entry in column 1 “*alpha*-Amylases Proteinases Hemicellulases” and the entry “All flour All bread” specified in column 2 in relation thereto shall be deleted.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of Health and Social Services on 15th August 1996.

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EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations.)

These Regulations amend the Bread and Flour Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1996 (“the principal Regulations”).

The Regulations—

- (a) in regulation 2 of the principal Regulations, insert a definition of “enzyme preparation” and amend the definition of “flour treatment agent” to exclude enzyme preparations (regulation 2(a));
- (b) amend regulation 3 of the principal Regulations to more clearly provide that bread and flour lawfully produced in one member State and brought into Northern Ireland from another member State in which it was lawfully sold is exempt from the principal Regulations (regulation 2(b));
- (c) amend regulation 5 of the principal Regulations to remove the prohibition and restrictions on the use of enzyme preparations as ingredients of flour and bread and make a corresponding amendment to Schedule 3 (regulation 2(c) and (e) respectively).