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## EXPLANATORY NOTE

*(This note is not part of the Regulations.)*

These Regulations implement Commission Directive [96/5/EC](#) (O.J. No. L49, 28.2.96, p. 17) on processed cereal-based foods and baby foods for infants and young children.

The Regulations—

- (a) exempt from their application any baby food which is a milk intended for young children (regulation 2);
- (b) prohibit the sale of any cereal-based food or baby food unless it complies with the labelling requirements in regulation 4 and the manufacturing and compositional requirements in regulation 5 (regulation 3);
- (c) prescribe labelling requirements (regulation 4 and Schedule 5);
- (d) prescribe manufacturing and compositional requirements (regulation 5 and Schedules 1, 2, 3 and 4);
- (e) create offences and prescribe penalties (regulation 6);
- (f) specify the enforcement authority (regulation 7);
- (g) provide a defence in relation to exports in accordance with Articles 2 and 3 of, as read with the ninth recital to, Council Directive [89/397/EEC](#) (O.J. No. L186, 30.6.89, p. 23) on the official control of foodstuffs (regulation 8);
- (h) apply various provisions of the Food Safety (Northern Ireland) Order 1991 including those relating to enforcement and defences (regulation 9).