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The Materials and Articles in Contact with Food Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2007

PART 1

Preliminary

Citation and commencement

1.—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the Materials and Articles in Contact with Food Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2007.

(2) Subject to paragraph (3), these Regulations shall come into operation on 5th November 2007.

(3) Regulations 5,7 and 14(3) shall come into operation on 1st August 2008.

Commencement Information

II Reg. 1 in operation at 5.11.2007, see [reg. 1\(2\)](#)

Interpretation

2.—(1) In these Regulations —

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“Directive 2002/72/EC” means Commission Directive [2002/72/EC](#) relating to plastic materials and articles intended to come into contact with foodstuffs⁽¹⁾ as corrected by a corrigendum published on 13th February 2003⁽²⁾ and as amended by Commission Directive [2004/1/EC](#)⁽³⁾, Commission Directive [2004/19/EC](#)⁽⁴⁾, Commission Directive [2005/79/EC](#)⁽⁵⁾ and Commission Directive [2007/19/EC](#)⁽⁶⁾;

“Directive 2007/42/EC” means Commission Directive [2007/42/EC](#) relating to materials and articles made of regenerated cellulose film intended to come into contact with foodstuffs⁽⁷⁾;

(1) OJ No. L220, 15.8.2002, p.18. This Directive was corrected by a corrigendum (OJ No. L39, 13.2.2003, p.1), and has been amended as at the date these Regulations were made by Commission Directives [2004/1/EC](#) (OJ No. L7, 13.1.2004, p.45), [2004/19/EC](#) (OJ No. L71, 10.3.2004, p.8), [2005/79/EC](#) (OJ No. L302, 19.11.2005, p.35) and Commission Directive [2007/19/EC](#) (OJ No.L97, 12.4.2007, p.50)

(2) OJ No. L38, 13.2.2003, p.44

(3) OJ No. L7, 13.1.2004, p.45

(4) OJ No. L71, 10.3.2004, p.8

(5) OJ No. L302, 19.11.2005, p.35

(6) OJ No. L97, 12.4.2007, p.50

(7) OJ No. L172, 30.6.2007, p.71. This Directive repealed and consolidated without further amendment Commission Directive [93/10/EEC](#) as last amended by Commission Directive [2004/14/EC](#).

Status: Point in time view as at 05/05/2008.

Changes to legislation: There are currently no known outstanding effects for the The Materials and Articles in Contact with Food Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2007, PART 1. (See end of Document for details)

“Regulation 1935/2004” means Regulation (EC) No. 1935/2004 of the European Parliament and of the Council on materials and articles intended to come into contact with food and repealing Directives [80/590/EEC](#) and [89/109/EEC](#)(**8**);

“Regulation 2023/2006” means [Commission Regulation \(EC\) No. 2023/2006](#) on good manufacturing practice for materials and articles intended to come into contact with food(**9**);

“authorised officer” means any person, whether or not an officer of the district council having responsibility for execution and enforcement under regulation 14(1), who is authorised by that district council in writing to act in matters arising under these Regulations;

“import” means import in the course of a business from a place other than a Member State;

“the Order” means the Food Safety (Northern Ireland) Order 1991;

“plastics” means those materials and articles to which Directive 2002/72/EC applies;

“preparation” in relation to food includes manufacture and any form of treatment or process;

“regenerated cellulose film” means a thin sheet material obtained from refined cellulose derived from unrecycled wood or cotton, with or without the addition of suitable substances, either in the mass or on one or both surfaces, but does not include synthetic casings of regenerated cellulose;

“sell” includes offer or expose for sale or have in possession for sale;

[^{F2}“the 2008 Regulations” means the Plastic Materials and Articles in Contact with Food Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2008]

(2) Any reference in these Regulations to a numbered Article is a reference to the Article bearing that number in Regulation 1935/2004.

(3) Expressions used in these Regulations and in Regulation 1935/2004 or Regulation 2023/2006 bear the same meaning in these Regulations as they bear in those Regulations.

(4) Any reference to Regulation 2023/2006 or to an Annex of Directive 2002/72/EC or of Directive 2007/42/EC is a reference to that Regulation or that Annex as amended from time to time.

(5) The Interpretation Act (Northern Ireland) 1954(**10**) shall apply to these Regulations as it applies to an Act of the Assembly.

Textual Amendments

F1 Words in [reg. 2\(1\)](#) omitted (5.5.2008) by virtue of [The Plastic Materials and Articles in Contact with Food Regulations \(Northern Ireland\) 2008](#) (S.R. 2008/167), regs. 1(b), [26\(2\)\(a\)](#)

F2 Words in [reg. 2\(1\)](#) inserted (5.5.2008) by [The Plastic Materials and Articles in Contact with Food Regulations \(Northern Ireland\) 2008](#) (S.R. 2008/167), regs. 1(b), [26\(2\)\(b\)](#)

Commencement Information

I2 Reg. 2 in operation at 5.11.2007, see [reg. 1\(2\)](#)

Scope

3. The provisions of these Regulations do not apply to those materials and articles specified in sub-paragraphs (a), (b) and (c) of Article 1(3).

(8) OJ No. L338, 13.11.2004, p.4

(9) OJ No. L384, 29.12.2006, p.75

(10) [1954 c.33](#) (N.I.)

Commencement Information

I3 Reg. 3 in operation at 5.11.2007, see **reg. 1(2)**

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