
EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations replace the Beef and Veal Labelling Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2009. The changes are that they enforce Articles 5a, 5b and 5c of [Commission Regulation \(EC\) No. 1825/2000](#) (regulation 5(1) (b)) and provide rules for the provision of information for non-pre-packaged meat of bovine animals aged 12 months or less at the point of sale (regulation 5(2)).

They continue to enforce Title II of Regulation [\(EC\) No. 1760/2000](#) of the European Parliament and of the Council establishing a system for the identification and registration of bovine animals and regarding the labelling of beef and beef products and subsidiary Commission Regulations. They also enforce the provisions relating to bovine animals aged 12 months or less contained in Council Regulation [\(EC\) No. 1234/2007](#) establishing a common organisation of agricultural markets and on specific provisions for certain agricultural products as well as the provisions of [Commission Regulation \(EC\) No. 566/2008](#) laying down detailed rules for the application of Council Regulation [\(EC\) No. 1234/2007](#) as regards the marketing of the meat of bovine animals aged 12 months or less.

The Regulations are enforced by the Department of Agriculture or any district council or the Department and any district council acting jointly (regulation 4).

Breach of the Regulations is an offence punishable on summary conviction with a fine not exceeding level 5 on the standard scale (regulation 10).