

**2011 No. 53**

**FOOD**

**The Natural Mineral Water, Spring Water and Bottled Drinking Water (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2011**

*Made* - - - - - *25th February 2011*

*Coming into operation* - *25th March 2011*

The Department of Health, Social Services and Public Safety (**a**) makes the following Regulations in exercise of the powers conferred on it by Articles 15(1)(e), 16(1), 25(1)(a) and (3), and 47(2) of the Food Safety (Northern Ireland) Order 1991(**b**).

In accordance with Article 47(3A) of that Order, it has had regard to relevant advice given by the Food Standards Agency.

As required by Article 9 of Regulation (EC) No. 178/2002 of the European Parliament and of the Council laying down the general principles and requirements of food law, establishing the European Food Safety Authority and laying down procedures in matters of food safety(**c**) there has been open and transparent public consultation during the preparation and evaluation of these Regulations.

**Citation and commencement**

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Natural Mineral Water, Spring Water and Bottled Drinking Water (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2011 and come into operation on 25th March 2011.

**Amendment of the Natural Mineral Water, Spring Water and Bottled Drinking Water Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2007**

2.—(1) The Natural Mineral Water, Spring Water and Bottled Drinking Water Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2007(**d**) (“the 2007 Regulations”) are amended in accordance with paragraphs (2) and (3).

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(a) Formerly the Department of Health and Social Services; see S.I. 1999/283 (N.I.1) Article 3(6)  
(b) S.I. 1991/762 (N.I.7) as amended by S.I. 1996/1663 (N.I.12), paragraphs 26 to 42 of Schedule 5 and Schedule 6 to the Food Standards Act 1999 c.28 and S.R. 2004 Nos. 482 and 505  
(c) OJ No. L31, 1.2.2002, p.1, as last amended by Regulation (EC) No. 596/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council adapting a number of instruments subject to the procedure referred to in Article 251 of the Treaty to Council Decision 1999/468/EC with regard to the regulatory procedure with scrutiny: Adaptation to the regulatory procedure with scrutiny – Part Four (OJ No. L188, 18.7.2009, p.14)  
(d) S.R. 2007 No.420, amended by S.R. 2009 No.260, S.R. 2010 No.68 and S.R 2010 No. 127

(2) In regulation 3(1)(a), for “the Veterinary Medicines Regulations 2005<sup>(a)</sup>” substitute “the Veterinary Medicines Regulations 2009<sup>(b)</sup>”.

(3) After regulation 3 insert—

**“Additional language**

**3A.** Nothing in these Regulations prevents a bottle being marked or labelled with any other language in addition to English.”.

Sealed with the official seal of the Department of Health, Social Services and Public Safety on 25th February 2011.



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(a) S.I. 2005/2745  
(b) S.I. 2009/2297

## **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

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

These Regulations amend the Natural Mineral Water, Spring Water and Bottled Drinking Water Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2007 (S.R. 2007 No. 420) by:

- (a) updating a reference in regulation 3(1)(a) to the Veterinary Medicines Regulations 2009 (regulation 2(2); and
- (b) providing that languages in addition to English may be marked or labelled on a bottle (regulation 2(3)).

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