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## EXPLANATORY NOTE

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

These Regulations amend the Trade in Animals and Related Products Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2011.

Regulation 10 (Importation) is revoked.

Regulation 17 has been amended to require that the district council is also notified of the arrival of a product.

Regulation 19(2)(a) (Unchecked consignments) has been amended to make provision for the detention, as well as seizure, of a suspect consignment pending investigation.

Regulation 27(3)(b) (Re-importation of products) has been amended to clarify that disposal of products under this Regulation must be carried out in accordance with Regulation (EC) No 1069/2009 laying down health rules as regards animal by-products and derived products not intended for human consumption.

Regulation 32(7) and (8) (Enforcement) has been amended to make provision for the detention, as well as seizure, of any consignment or product, pending investigation, by an authorised officer at any place other than a border inspection post and for any costs incurred to be met by the person responsible for the consignment or product.

Regulation 34A (Protection of officials acting in good faith) has been inserted so that no authorised officer is personally liable in respect of any act done by that person if he believes that his duties require or entitle him to act in that way.

Regulation 35(1) and (2) (Consignments from another member State constituting a risk to health) has been amended to be consistent with the meaning of “authorised officer” given in Regulation 2.

In Schedule 1 (Offences) and Schedule 3 (Specific requirements for individual cases), an adjustment has been made relating to the description of paragraph 6(2) of Part 1.

In Schedule 3 (Specific requirements for individual cases), paragraph 9(1) has been amended to take account of the repeal of Commission Regulation (EC) No 318/2007 and its replacement by Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) No 139/2013.

Schedule 5 (Consequential amendment) makes an amendment to the Official Feed and Food Control Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2009.