
STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

2018 No. 204

**The Zootechnical Standards
Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2018**

Interpretation

2.—(1) The Interpretation Act (Northern Ireland) 1954⁽¹⁾ applies to these Regulations as it applies to an Act of the Assembly.

(2) In these Regulations—

“the Animal Breeding Regulation” means Regulation (EU) 2016/1012 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 8 June 2016 on zootechnical and genealogical conditions for the breeding, trade in and entry into the Union of purebred breeding animals, hybrid breeding pigs and the germinal products thereof and amending Regulation (EU) No 652/2014, Council Directives [89/608/EEC](#) and [90/425/EEC](#) and repealing certain acts in the area of animal breeding as amended from time to time⁽²⁾;

“the Department” means the Department of Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs;

(3) Expressions used in the Animal Breeding Regulation have the same meaning in these Regulations as in that Regulation.

⁽¹⁾ [1954 c. 33 \(N.I.\)](#).

⁽²⁾ is OJL 171, 29.6.2016, p. 66–143. See also Commission Implementing Regulations (EU) 2017/716, which makes provision in respect of the model forms to be used for the information to be included in the lists of recognised breed societies and breeding operations; Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2017/717 laying down rules for the application of Regulation (EU) 2016/1012 with regard to the model forms of zootechnical certificates for breeding animals and their germinal products and Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2017/1940 as regards the content and format of zootechnical certificates issued for purebred breeding animals of the equine species contained in a single lifetime identification document for equidae