

STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

2020 No. 272

The Organic Products Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2020

PART 2

Designations and exemptions

Designation of competent authority etc.

3.—(1) The Secretary of State is the competent authority for the purposes of the Council Regulation, Commission Regulation 889/2008, Commission Regulation 1235/2008 and these Regulations.

(2) Each control body is an authority responsible for the purposes of Article 28(3) of the Council Regulation for the receipt of notification of the information specified in Article 63(3) of Commission Regulation 889/2008 made by an operator under Article 28(1)(a) of the Council Regulation.

(3) The Soil Association is the manager of the database for the purposes of Article 48(2) of Commission Regulation 889/2008.

Commencement Information

11 [Reg. 3](#) in operation at 31.12.2020, see [reg. 1](#)

Exemption from requirement to adhere to control system

4. Article 28 of the Council Regulation (requirements to notify activities and submit undertakings to the control system) does not apply to an operator who sells an organic product directly to the final consumer or user, provided that the operator does not produce, prepare, store other than in connection with the point of sale, or import such a product from a third country, or has not contracted out such activities to a third party.

Commencement Information

12 [Reg. 4](#) in operation at 31.12.2020, see [reg. 1](#)

Permitted exceptions to the organic production rules

5. A control body may permit the use of non-organic seed and seed potatoes for the purposes of Article 45(1)(b) and in accordance with Article 45 of the Commission Regulation 889/2008.

Commencement Information

13 [Reg. 5](#) in operation at 31.12.2020, see [reg. 1](#)

Changes to legislation:

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the The Organic Products Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2020, PART 2.