
EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations amend the provisions of the Beef Carcase (Classification) (Scotland) Regulations 2004 (“the 2004 Regulations”). The 2004 Regulations provide for the administration and enforcement of the Community system of classification of beef carcasses as required by Commission Regulation (EEC) 344/91 laying down detailed rules for applying Council Regulation (EEC) No. 1186/90 to extend the scope of the Community scale for the classification of carcasses of adult bovine animals (O.J. No. L 41, 14.2.91, p.15).

The 2004 Regulations are amended in consequence of the Food Hygiene (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (S.S.I. 2006/3) which provide for the execution and enforcement of certain Community instruments, in particular, Regulation 854/2004 of the European Parliament and of the Council laying down specific rules for the organisation of official controls on products of animal origin intended for human consumption (O.J. No. L 155, 30.4.04, p.206); the revised text of this Regulation is now set out in a corrigendum (O.J. No. L 226, 25.6.05, p.83).

The Food Hygiene (Scotland) Regulations 2006 revoke the Fresh Meat (Hygiene and Inspection) Regulations 1995 (S.I.1995/539). Regulation 2 (interpretation) of the 2004 Regulations is therefore amended to replace definitions which refer, or are relevant, to the Fresh Meat (Hygiene and Inspection) Regulations 1995.

A Regulatory Impact Assessment has not been produced for this instrument as it has no impact on the costs of business, charities or voluntary bodies.