

**2006 No. 118**

**AGRICULTURE**

**The Beef Carcase (Classification) (Scotland) Amendment  
Regulations 2006**

<i>Made</i> - - - -	<i>7th March 2006</i>
<i>Laid before the Scottish Parliament</i>	<i>9th March 2006</i>
<i>Coming into force</i> - -	<i>31st March 2006</i>

The Scottish Ministers, in exercise of the powers conferred by section 2(2) of the European Communities Act 1972(a), hereby make the following Regulations:

**Citation and commencement**

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Beef Carcase (Classification) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2006 and shall come into force on 31st March 2006.

**Amendment of the Beef Carcase (Classification) (Scotland) Regulations 2004**

2. In regulation 2(1) (interpretation) of the Beef Carcase (Classification) (Scotland) Regulations 2004(b)–

- (a) for the definition of “1995 Regulations” substitute–  
““2006 Regulations” means the Food Hygiene (Scotland) Regulations 2006(c);”;
- (b) for the definition of “approval number” substitute–  
““approval number” means (in relation to a regulated slaughterhouse) the unique number given to that regulated slaughterhouse in accordance with Article 3(3) of Regulation 854/2004;”;
- (c) for the definition of “regulated carcase” substitute–  
““regulated carcase” means the carcase or half-carcase of an adult bovine animal which has been marked in accordance with section 1, Chapter III of Annex I of Regulation 854/2004;”;
- (d) for the definition of “regulated slaughterhouse” substitute–  
““regulated slaughterhouse” means a slaughterhouse as defined in regulation 5(7) of the 2006 Regulations.”; and

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(a) 1972 c. 68; section 2(2) was amended by the Scotland Act 1998 (c.46), Schedule 8, paragraph 15(3). The function conferred on the Minister of the Crown under section 2(2) of the European Communities Act 1972, so far as exercisable within devolved competence, was transferred to the Scottish Ministers by virtue of section 53 of the Scotland Act 1998.  
(b) S.S.I. 2004/280.  
(c) S.S.I. 2006/3.

- (e) after the definition of “regulated slaughterhouse” insert–  
““Regulation 854/2004” has the same meaning as in Schedule 1 to the 2006 Regulations;”.

St Andrew’s House,  
Edinburgh  
7th March 2006

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## **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.

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