EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations make provision to enforce, in Scotland, certain provisions of Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) No 1337/2013 laying down rules for the application of Regulation (EU) No 1169/2011 of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards the indication of the country of origin or place of provenance for fresh, chilled and frozen meat of swine, sheep, goats and poultry (OJ L 335, 14.12.2013, p.19) ("the Commission Regulation").

Regulation 3 sets out that each food authority in its area is the competent authority for the purposes of Article 5(1) and (2) of the Commission Regulation. Regulation 4 makes local authorities and Food Standards Scotland inspectors responsible for enforcement of these Regulations.

Regulation 5 requires food business operators to keep records for 12 months from the end of the calendar year to which each record relates.

Regulation 6 makes it an offence to fail to comply with the provisions of the Commission Regulation and the records requirement of regulation 5.

Regulation 7 and the Schedule apply certain provisions of the Food Safety Act 1990 with modifications.

A full business and regulatory impact assessment of the effect these Regulations will have on the costs of business, the voluntary sector and the public sector has been prepared and placed in the Scottish Parliament Information Centre. Copies may be obtained from Food Standards Scotland, Pilgrim House, Old Ford Road, Aberdeen, AB11 5RL.