EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations impose requirements on persons ("operators") operating commercial services for international passengers travelling to Scotland by sea and air from outside the open borders area comprising the United Kingdom, the Channel Islands, the Isle of Man and the Republic of Ireland (the "common travel area" by virtue of section 1(3) of the Immigration Act 1971 (c.77)).

Regulations 3, 4 and 5 require operators to ensure that passengers on such services who arrive in Scotland have been provided with certain public health information ("required information") on three separate occasions.

Regulation 6 provides that breach of the requirements to provide required information in regulation 3(1), regulation 4(1) or 5 is an offence.

Regulation 9 provides that these Regulations expire 12 months after they come into force.

A full impact assessment has not been completed due to the urgent nature of this instrument.