

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations bring into force section 17 (Advertising and brandsharing), section 18 (Free distribution and nominal pricing) and section 19 (Sponsorship) of the Health (Tobacco, Nicotine etc. and Care (Scotland) Act 2016 (“the Act”), being the remaining provisions of the Act to be commenced.

Regulation 2 provides that the day appointed for these sections to come into force is 31 January 2024.

The Bill for the Act received Royal Assent on 6th April 2016. Sections 34, 35, 36 and 37 of the Act came into force the following day.