

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations amend the National Minimum Wage Regulations 1999 (“the 1999 Regulations”). These Regulations come into force on the day after the day on which these Regulations are made.

Regulation 3 amends the 1999 Regulations so that a worker engaged under a Trailblazer Apprenticeship is to be treated as employed under a contract of apprenticeship for the purpose of qualifying for the hourly rate specified in regulation 13(3) of the 1999 Regulations. Trailblazer Apprenticeships are arrangements made under section 2 of the Employment and Training Act 1973. The relevant apprenticeship standards are published on the National Apprenticeship Service website on www.apprenticeships.org.uk/standards.

An impact assessment has not been produced for this instrument as no additional cost on the private, public or voluntary sectors is foreseen. The Explanatory Memorandum is published alongside the Regulations on www.legislation.gov.uk.