



Food Safety Act 1990

1990 CHAPTER 16

PART III

ADMINISTRATION AND ENFORCEMENT

Offences

36 Offences by bodies corporate.

- (1) Where an offence under this Act which has been committed by a body corporate is proved to have been committed with the consent or connivance of, or to be attributable to any neglect on the part of—
- (a) any director, manager, secretary or other similar officer of the body corporate; or
 - (b) any person who was purporting to act in any such capacity,
- he as well as the body corporate shall be deemed to be guilty of that offence and shall be liable to be proceeded against and punished accordingly.
- (2) In subsection (1) above “director”, in relation to any body corporate established by or under any enactment for the purpose of carrying on under national ownership any industry or part of an industry or undertaking, being a body corporate whose affairs are managed by its members, means a member of that body corporate.

Modifications etc. (not altering text)

- C1** S. 36 applied by [S.I. 1991/370, reg. 3 \(1\)](#)
S. 36 applied: (9.4.1992) by [S.I. 1992/496, reg. 7\(1\)\(f\)](#); (29.5.1992) by [S.I. 1992/1122, reg. 4](#) (which S.I. was revoked (24.7.1992) by [S.I. 1992/1601, reg. 6](#)); (24.7.1992) by [S.I. 1992/1601, reg. 4](#); (13.9.1992) by [S.I. 1992/1971, reg. 9\(g\)](#); (14.9.1992) by [S.I. 1992/1978, reg. 7\(g\)](#); (1.10.1992) by [S.I. 1992/2037, reg. 23\(e\)](#) (which S.I. was revoked (1.4.1995) by [S.I. 1995/539, reg. 25, Sch. 22](#) (with [regs. 3\(2\), 25, Sch. 22](#)))
S. 36 applied: (14.7.1993) by [S.I. 1993/1520, reg. 2\(2\)\(h\)](#); (29.7.1993) by [S.I. 1993/1658, reg. 7\(g\)](#)
S. 36 applied (W.) (1.4.2001) by [S.I. 2001/1360, reg. 7\(1\)\(f\)](#)

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- C2** S. 36 applied (with modifications) (5.11.1991) by S.I. 1991/2486, **reg. 7(1)**
- S. 36 applied (with modifications): (1.1.1993 for certain purposes and 15.1.1993 otherwise) by S.I. 1992/3163, **regs. 1, 18(1)** (which S.I. was revoked (29.4.1998) by S.I. 1998/994, **reg. 59(1), Sch. 5**); (1.1.1993 for certain purposes and 15.1.1993 otherwise) by S.I. 1992/3164, **regs. 1, 19(1)** (which S.I. was revoked (29.4.1998) by S.I. 1998/994, **reg. 59(1), Sch. 5**); (18.12.1992 for certain purposes and 1.1.1993 otherwise) by S.I. 1992/3165, **regs. 1, 7(2)** (which S.I. was revoked (29.4.1998) by S.I. 1998/994, **reg. 59(1), Sch. 5**); (31.12.1992) by S.I. 1992/3236, **reg. 11(1)**
- S. 36 applied (with modifications): (1.4.1994) by S.I. 1994/743, **reg. 8(1)(g)**; (1.5.1994) by S.I. 1994/1029, **reg. 25(e)** (which S.I. was revoked (1.4.1995) by S.I. 1995/540, **reg. 26** (with **reg. 3(5)**)); (2.9.1994) by S.I. 1994/2127, **reg. 5**; (1.1.1995) by S.I. 1994/3082, **reg. 21**
- S. 36 applied (with modifications): (1.3.1995) by S.I. 1995/77, **reg. 23**; (1.4.1995) by S.I. 1995/539, **reg. 22** and S.I. 1995/540, **reg. 24**; (1.4.1995) by S.I. 1995/614, **reg. 11**; (9.5.1995) by S.I. 1995/1086, **reg. 20(1)(g)**; (15.6.1995) by S.I. 1995/1372, **reg. 20(1)(g)**; (10.7.1995) by S.I. 1995/1544, **reg. 10**; (15.9.1995) by S.I. 1995/1763, **reg. 7(h)**; (15.9.1995) by S.I. 1995/2200, **reg. 18**; (20.9.1995) by S.I. 1995/2148, **reg. 17**
- S. 36 applied (with modifications): (1.1.1996) by S.I. 1995/3116, **reg. 8**; (1.1.1996) by S.I. 1995/3123, **reg. 9(h)** and S.I. 1995/3124, **reg. 11(h)**; (1.1.1996) by S.I. 1995/3240, **reg. 10(g)** (which S.I. was revoked (1.7.1996) by S.I. 1996/1499, **reg. 49, Sch. 9**); (1.1.1996) by S.I. 1995/3187, **reg. 9**; (1.1.1996) by S.I. 1995/3202, **reg. 11**; (1.1.1996) by S.I. 1995/3205, **reg. 14**; (29.3.1996) by S.I. 1996/961, **art. 4(a)**; (1.7.1996) by S.I. 1996/1499, **reg. 48** and S.I. 1996/1502, **reg. 6**; (5.7.1996) by S.I. 1996/1743, **reg. 5**; (1.9.1996) by S.I. 1996/2097, **reg. 6**
- S. 36 applied (with modifications): (16.6.1997) by S.I. 1997/1335, **reg. 6(g)**; (30.6.1997) by S.I. 1995/1544, **reg. 10(1)** (as substituted (30.6.1997) by S.I. 1997/1414, **reg. 3**); (4.7.1997) by S.I. 1997/1499, **reg. 6(1)** (which S.I. was revoked (18.6.2002 (E.), 1.7.2002 (S.), 2.8.2002 (W.)) by S.I. 2002/890, **reg. 11, Sch.**; S.S.I. 2002/267, **reg. 11, Sch.**; S.I. 2002/1886, **reg. 11, Sch.**); (11.8.1997) by S.I. 1997/1729, **reg. 34(1)(h)**; (31.3.1999) by S.I. 1997/2042, **reg. 9** and S.I. 1997/2182, **reg. 9**; (17.11.1997) by S.I. 1997/2537, **reg. 9**; (16.12.1997) by S.I. 1997/2959, **reg. 11**; (1.1.1998) by S.I. 1997/2965, **reg. 30**
- S. 36 applied (with modifications): (19.2.1998) by S.I. 1998/141, **reg. 10(i)**; (1.4.1998) by S.I. 1998/616, **reg. 6(1)(f)**; (29.4.1998) by S.I. 1998/994, **reg. 55(1)(g)**; (31.10.1998) by S.I. 1998/2424, **reg. 8(h)**
- S. 36 applied (with modifications): (1.10.1999) by S.S.I. 1999/34, **reg. 8(1)**; (17.12.1999) by S.S.I. 1999/186, **art. 9**; (19.3.1999) by S.I. 1996/1499, **reg. 48** (as inserted by S.I. 1999/747, **reg. 11**); (30.6.1999) by S.I. 1999/1540, **reg. 19(1)(i)**; (1.10.1999) by S.I. 1999/2457, **reg. 8(1)**
- S. 36 applied (with modifications): (E.) (10.4.2000) by S.I. 2000/768, **reg. 10(1)**; (S.) (10.4.2000) by S.S.I. 2000/83, **reg. 10(1)**; (W.) (25.7.2000) by S.I. 2000/1925, **reg. 10(1)**; (E.) (15.1.2001) by S.I. 2000/3323, **reg. 10(i)**; (W.) (1.11.2001) by S.I. 2000/1866, **reg. 7(i)**; (S.) (1.11.2001) by S.S.I. 2000/130, **reg. 7(i)**; (E.) (1.11.2001) by S.I. 2000/845, **reg. 7(i)**
- S. 36 applied (with modifications): (S.) (17.3.2001) by S.S.I. 2001/38, **reg. 10**; (W.) (1.5.2001) by S.I. 2001/1361, **reg. 8(1)** and S.I. 2001/1440, **reg. 10(i)**
- S. 36 applied (with modifications): (E.W.) (8.3.2002) by S.I. 2002/333, **reg. 6(i)**; (S.) (8.3.2002) by S.S.I. 2002/50, **reg. 6(i)**; (E.) (20.3.2002) by S.I. 2002/334, **art. 5(1)(e)** (as substituted (20.3.2002) by S.I. 2002/602, **art. 4**); (E.) (23.3.2002) by S.I. 2002/773, **reg. 5(1)(f)** (which S.I. was revoked (13.9.2002) by S.I. 2002/2351, **reg. 7**); (E.) (23.3.2002) by S.I. 2002/774, **reg. 5(1)(f)** (which S.I. was revoked (13.9.2002) by S.I. 2002/2350, **reg. 7**); (S.) (25.3.2002 at 1700 hours) by S.S.I. 2002/148, **regs. 1(1), 5(1)(f)** (which S.S.I. was revoked (13.9.2002) by S.S.I. 2002/424, **reg. 7**); (S.) (25.3.2002 at 1700 hours) by S.S.I. 2002/149, **regs. 1(1), 5(1)(f)** (which S.S.I. was revoked (13.9.2002) by S.S.I. 2002/425, **reg. 7**); (W.) (26.3.2002) by S.I. 2002/820, **reg. 5(1)(f)** (which S.I. was revoked (9.9.2002) by S.I. 2002/2295, **reg. 7**); (W.) (26.3.2002) by S.I. 2002/821, **reg. 5(1)(f)** (which S.I. was revoked (9.9.2002) by S.I. 2002/2296, **reg. 7**); (E.) (4.4.2002) by S.I. 2002/931, **reg. 5(1)(h)**; (S.) (4.4.2002) by S.S.I. 2002/179, **reg. 6(1)(g)**; (W.) (16.4.2002) by S.I. 2002/1090, **reg. 5(1)(h)**; (E.) (18.6.2002) by S.I. 2002/890, **reg. 7(1)(i)**; (E.) (20.6.2002) by S.I. 2002/1614, **reg. 5(1)(f)**; (S.) (24.6.2002) by S.S.I. 2002/300, **reg. 5(1)(e)**; (S.) (1.7.2002) by S.I. 2002/267, **reg. 7(1)(g)**; (W.) (12.7.2002)

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- by S.I. 2002/1798, **reg. 5(1)(f)**; (W.) (2.8.2002) by S.I. 2002/1886, **reg. 7(1)(i)**; (E.) (5.8.2002 for certain purposes and otherwise 1.4.2004) by S.I. 2002/1817, **regs. 1(2)(3), 9(k)**; (W.) (9.9.2002) by S.I. 2002/2295, **reg. 5(1)(f)** and S.I. 2002/2296, **reg. 5(1)(f)**; (E.) (13.9.2002) by S.I. 2002/2350, **reg. 5(1)(f)** and S.I. 2002/2351, **reg. 5(1)(f)**; (S.) (13.9.2002) by S.S.I. 2002/424, **reg. 5(1)(d)** and S.S.I. 2002/425, **reg. 5(1)(d)**; (S.) (23.9.2002 for certain purposes and otherwise 1.4.2004) by S.S.I. 2002/397, **regs. 1(2)(3), 8(i)**; (W.) (31.12.2002 for certain purposes and otherwise 1.4.2004) by S.I. 2002/2939, **regs. 1(2)(3), 9(k)**; (S.) (1.1.2003) by S.S.I. 2002/523, **reg. 5(1)(i)**; (W.) (9.1.2003) by S.I. 2002/3157, **reg. 5(1)(k)**; (E.) (13.1.2003) by S.I. 2002/3169, **reg. 5(1)(k)**
- C3** S. 36 extended (with modifications) (8.1.1992) by S.I. 1991/2843, **reg. 22(1)(d)**
- C4** S. 36 applied (with modifications) (E.) (28.3.2003) by Fish Labelling (England) Regulations 2003 (S.I. 2003/461), **regs. 1, 10(j)**
- C5** S. 36 applied (with modifications) (S.) (28.3.2003) by The Fish Labelling (Scotland) Regulations 2003 (S.S.I. 2003/145), **regs. 1(1), 10(h)**
- C6** S. 36 applied (with modifications) (W.) (17.4.2003) by Food (Pistachios from Iran) (Emergency Control) (Wales) Regulations 2003 (S.I. 2003/1119), **regs. 1(1), 5(1)(f)**
- C7** S. 36 applied (with modifications) (30.6.2003) by Contaminants in Food (England) Regulations 2003 (S.I. 2003/1478), **regs. 1, 7(1)(i)**
- C8** S. 36 applied (with modifications) (30.6.2003) by Fish Labelling (Wales) Regulations 2003 (S.I. 2003/1635), **regs. 1, 10**
- C9** S. 36 applied (with modifications) (1.7.2003) by Contaminants in Food (Scotland) Regulations 2003 (S.S.I. 2003/289), **regs. 1(1), 7(1)(g)**
- C10** S. 36 applied (with modifications) (11.7.2003) by Food (Brazil Nuts) (Emergency Control) (England) Regulations 2003 (S.I. 2003/1722), **regs. 1(1), 5(1)(f)**
- C11** S. 36 applied (with modifications) (12.7.2003) by Specified Sugar Products (England) Regulations 2003 (S.I. 2003/1563), **regs. 1, 9(k)**
- C12** S. 36 applied (with modifications) (12.7.2003) by Fruit Juices and Fruit Nectars (Scotland) Regulations 2003 (S.S.I. 2003/293), **regs. 1(1), 10(i)**
- C13** S. 36 applied (with modifications) (12.7.2003) by Fruit Juices and Fruit Nectars (England) Regulations 2003 (S.I. 2003/1564), **regs. 1(b), 9(k)**
- C14** S. 36 applied (with modifications) (17.7.2003) by Condensed Milk and Dried Milk (England) Regulations 2003 (S.I. 2003/1596), **regs. 1, 9(1)(k)** (with reg. 11)
- C15** S. 36 applied (with modifications) (17.7.2003) by Condensed Milk and Dried Milk (Scotland) Regulations 2003 (S.S.I. 2003/311), **regs. 1(1), 10(1)(i)** (with reg. 3)
- C16** S. 36 applied (with modifications) (30.7.2003) by Food (Hot Chilli and Hot Chilli Products) (Emergency Control) (England) Regulations 2003 (S.I. 2003/1940), **regs. 1(1), 5(1)(f)**
- C17** S. 36 applied (with modifications) (31.7.2003) by Food (Pistachios from Iran) (Emergency Control) (England) Regulations 2003 (S.I. 2003/1956), **regs. 1(1), 5(1)(f)**
- C18** S. 36 applied (with modifications) (31.7.2003) by The Contaminants in Food (Wales) Regulations 2003 (S.I. 2003/1721), **regs. 1, 7(1)(i)**
- C19** S. 36 applied (with modifications) (3.8.2003) by The Cocoa and Chocolate Products (Scotland) Regulations 2003 (S.S.I. 2003/291), **regs. 1, 11(i)** (with reg. 4)
- C20** S. 36 applied (with modifications) (3.8.2003) by The Cocoa and Chocolate Products (England) Regulations 2003 (S.I. 2003/1659), **regs. 1, 10(k)**
- C21** S. 36 applied (with modifications) (9.8.2003) by Food (Hot Chilli and Hot Chilli Products) (Emergency Control) (Scotland) Regulations 2003 (S.S.I. 2003/382), **regs. 1(1), 6(1)(d)**
- C22** S. 36 applied (with modifications) (14.8.2003) by Food (Peanuts from Egypt) (Emergency Control) (England) Regulations 2003 (S.I. 2003/2074), **regs. 1(1), 5(1)(f)**
- C23** S. 36 applied (with modifications) (27.8.2003) by Food (Brazil Nuts) (Emergency Control) (Scotland) Regulations 2003 (S.S.I. 2003/396), **regs. 1(1), 5(1)(d)**
- C24** S. 36 applied (with modifications) (2.9.2003) by Meat Products (England) Regulations 2003 (S.I. 2003/2075), **regs. 1(c), 8(k)** (with reg. 3)
- C25** S. 36 applied (with modifications) (5.9.2003) by Food (Brazil Nuts) (Emergency Control) (Wales) Regulations 2003 (S.I. 2003/2254), **regs. 1(1), 5(1)(f)**

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- C26** S. 36 applied (with modifications) (6.9.2003) by [The Food \(Pistachios from Iran\) \(Emergency Control\) \(Wales\) \(No.2\) Regulations 2003 \(S.I. 2003/2288\)](#), regs. 1(1), **5(1)(f)**
- C27** S. 36 applied (with modifications) (25.9.2003) by [Food \(Hot Chilli And Hot Chilli Products\) \(Emergency Control\) \(Wales\) Regulations 2003 \(S.I. 2003/2455\)](#), regs. 1(1), **5(1)(f)**
- C28** S. 36 applied (with modifications) (25.9.2003) by [Honey \(England\) Regulations 2003 \(S.I. 2003/2243\)](#), regs. 1, **9(k)**
- C29** S. 36 applied (with modifications) (30.9.2003) by [Food \(Peanuts from Egypt\) \(Emergency Control\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2003 \(S.S.I. 2003/418\)](#), regs. 1(1), **5(1)(d)**
- C30** S. 36 applied (with modifications) (30.9.2003) by [Food \(Pistachios from Iran\) \(Emergency Control\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2003 \(S.S.I. 2003/414\)](#), regs. 1(1), **5(1)(d)**
- C31** S. 36 applied (with modifications) (14.11.2003) by [Food \(Peanuts from Egypt\) \(Emergency Control\) \(Wales\) Regulations 2003 \(S.I. 2003/2910\)](#), regs. 1(1), **5(1)(f)**
- C32** S. 36 applied (with modifications) (28.11.2003) by [Honey \(Wales\) Regulations 2003 \(S.I. 2003/3044\)](#), regs. 1, **9(k)**
- C33** S. 36 applied (with modifications) (28.11.2003) by [Condensed Milk and Dried Milk \(Wales\) Regulations 2003 \(S.I. 2003/3053\)](#), regs. 1, **9(1)(k)** (with reg. 3)
- C34** S. 36 applied (with modifications) (28.11.2003) by [Specified Sugar Products \(Scotland\) Regulations 2003 \(S.S.I. 2003/527\)](#), regs. 1(1), **9** (with reg. 10)
- C35** S. 36 applied (with modifications) (28.11.2003) by [Cocoa and Chocolate Products \(Wales\) Regulations 2003 \(S.I. 2003/3037\)](#), regs. 1, **10(k)**
- C36** S. 36 applied (with modifications) (28.11.2003) by [The Fruit Juices and Fruit Nectars \(Wales\) Regulations 2003 \(S.I. 2003/3041\)](#), regs. 1, **9(k)**
- C37** S. 36 applied (with modifications) (28.11.2003) by [The Specified Sugar Products \(Wales\) Regulations 2003 \(S.I. 2003/3047\)](#), regs. 1, **9(k)**
- C38** S. 36 applied (with modifications) (18.12.2003) by [Honey \(Scotland\) Regulations 2003 \(S.S.I. 2003/569\)](#), regs. 1(1), **10(i)** (with regs. 3, 11)
- C39** S. 36 applied (with modifications) (31.12.2003) by [Jam and Similar Products \(England\) Regulations 2003 \(S.I. 2003/3120\)](#), regs. 1, **9(k)** (with reg. 3)
- C40** S. 36 applied (with modifications) (4.2.2004) by [Meat Products \(Scotland\) Regulations 2004 \(S.S.I. 2004/6\)](#), regs. 1(1), **9(1)(i)**
- C41** S. 36 applied (with modifications) (14.2.2004) by [Food \(Chilli and Chilli Products\) \(Emergency Control\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2004 \(S.S.I. 2004/56\)](#), regs. 1(1), **6(1)(d)**
- C42** S. 36 applied (with modifications) (16.4.2004) by [Food \(Jelly Mimi-Cups\) \(Emergency Control\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2004 \(S.S.I. 2004/187\)](#), regs. 1(1), **6(g)**
- C43** S. 36 applied (with modifications) (28.4.2004) by [Jam and Similar Products \(Scotland\) Regulations 2004 \(S.S.I. 2004/133\)](#), regs. 1(1), **10(i)**
- C44** S. 36 applied (with modifications) (31.5.2004) by [Meat Products \(Wales\) Regulations 2004 \(S.I. 2004/1396\)](#), regs. 1(c), **8(k)** (with reg. 3)
- C45** S. 36 applied (4.10.2004) by [Genetically Modified Food \(England\) Regulations 2004 \(S.I. 2004/2335\)](#), regs. 1(b), **6(1)(j)**
- C46** S. 36 applied (with modifications) (15.11.2004) by [Genetically Modified Food \(Scotland\) Regulations 2004 \(S.S.I. 2004/432\)](#), regs. 1(1), **6(1)(j)**

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