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1981 No. 1168

## FOOD AND DRUGS

## FOOD HYGIENE

**The Poultry Meat (Hygiene) (Amendment) Regulations 1981**

<i>Made</i> - - - -	5th August 1981
<i>Laid before Parliament</i>	13th August 1981
<i>Coming into Operation</i>	15th August 1981

The Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food and the Secretary of State, being Ministers designated (a) for the purposes of section 2(2) of the European Communities Act 1972 (b) in relation to the common agricultural policy of the European Economic Community, acting jointly, in exercise of the powers conferred upon them by the said section 2(2), and of all other powers enabling them in that behalf, and the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food, the Secretary of State for Social Services and the Secretary of State for Wales, acting jointly, in exercise of the powers conferred by sections 13 and 123 of the Food and Drugs Act 1955 (c) and now vested in them (d), and of all other powers enabling them in that behalf, after consultation with such organisations as appear to them to be representative of interests substantially affected by the regulations and after reference to the Food Hygiene Advisory Council under section 82 of the said Act of 1955, hereby make the following regulations:—

*Citation and commencement*

1. These regulations may be cited as the Poultry Meat (Hygiene) (Amendment) Regulations 1981 and shall come into operation on 15th August 1981.

*Amendment of Poultry Meat (Hygiene) Regulations 1976*

2. The Poultry Meat (Hygiene) Regulations 1976 (e) shall be further amended by deleting from regulation 4(1)(c) thereof the words "until the 15th August 1981".

In Witness whereof the Official Seal of the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food is hereunto affixed on 5th August 1981.

(L.S.)

*Peter Walker,*  
Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food.

30th July 1981. *Patrick Jenkin,*  
Secretary of State for Social Services.

31st July 1981. *Nicholas Edwards,*  
Secretary of State for Wales.

(a) S.I. 1972/1811.

(b) 1972 c. 68.

(c) 1955 c. 16 (4 &amp; 5 Eliz. 2).

(d) S.I. 1968/1699, 1978 /272.

(e) S.I. 1976/1209, amended by S.I. 1979/693.

## EXPLANATORY NOTE

*(This Note is not part of the Regulations.)*

These Regulations come into operation on 15th August 1981 and apply to England and Wales. The Regulations further amend the Poultry Meat (Hygiene) Regulations 1976 by the deletion from regulation 4(1)(c) thereof of the expiration date of 15th August 1981 for the period within which local authorities may grant exemptions from the provisions of items 1, 2, 3, 4 and 8 of Part I of Schedule 4 thereto (relating to slaughter and evisceration). Regulation 4(1)(c) of the 1976 Regulations was made pursuant to Article 16 a(a) of Council Directive No. 71/118/EEC (OJ No L55, 8.3.71, p.23; OJ/SE 1971 (I), p.106) on health problems affecting trade in fresh poultry meat (as amended by Council Directive No. 75/431/EEC (OJ No L192, 24.7.1975, p.6)), which provided that Member States may grant to slaughterhouses or cutting premises an additional period up to 15 August 1981 to comply with provisions laid down in Annex I, Chapter V of Council Directive 71/118/EEC relating to slaughter and evisceration. The additional period has been extended until 15th August 1982 by Council Directive 81/578/EEC (OJ No L209, 29.7.81, p.35) amending Directive 71/118/EEC on health problems affecting trade in fresh poultry meat.

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