EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations, which apply to Scotland only, make provision for the execution and enforcement of directly applicable Community provisions relating to the marketing of preserved sardines in the Community set out in Council Regulation (EEC) No. 2136/89 (OJ No. L212, 22.7.89, p.79).

The Regulations-

- (a) provide a power to authorised officers to require the production of books and documents, and to take copies of books and documents (regulation 3);
- (b) prescribe offences and penalties and designate enforcement authorities (regulation 4);
- (c) apply various provisions of the Food and Drugs (Scotland) Act 1956 to prosecutions or proceedings under regulation 4 of the Regulations as if they were prosecutions or proceedings under the Act (regulation 5).