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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**1991 No. 1476**

**The Food Safety (Exports) Regulations 1991**

**Title and commencement**

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Food Safety (Exports) Regulations 1991 and shall come into force on 26th July 1991.

**Amendment of existing food related Regulations**

2.—(1) After the last regulation in each of the Regulations specified in columns 1 and 2 of Schedules 1 and 2 to these Regulations there shall be inserted the following regulation numbered sequentially—

**“Defences in relation to exports**

In any proceedings for an offence under these Regulations it shall be a defence for the person charged to prove that the food in respect of which the offence is alleged to have been committed—

- (a) was intended for export and complied with the importing country’s domestic legislation relevant to the alleged offence ; or
- (b) was intended for export and was prepared and labelled for sale before 26th July 1991.”.

(2) The provisions of the Regulations, if any, specified in column 3 of Schedules 1 and 2 to these Regulations shall be revoked.

**Amendment of the Materials and Articles in Contact with Food Regulations 1987**

3.—(1) After the last regulation in the Materials and Articles in Contact with Food Regulations 1987(1) there shall be inserted the following regulation numbered sequentially—

**“Defences in relation to exports**

In any proceedings under these Regulations it shall be a defence for the person charged to prove that the material or article in respect of which the offence is alleged to have been committed—

- (a) was intended for export and complied with the importing country’s domestic legislation relevant to the alleged offence ; or
- (b) was intended for export and was prepared and labelled for sale before 26th July 1991.”.

(2) Regulation 3(c) of those Regulations shall be revoked.

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In witness thereof the Official Sela of the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food is hereunto affixed on 20th June 1991.

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Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Health

18th June 1991

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