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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**1997 No. 2073**

**FOOD**

**The Animal By-Products (Identification)  
(Amendment) Regulations 1997**

*Made* - - - - 27th August 1997  
*Laid before Parliament* 28th August 1997  
*Coming into force* - - 21st September 1997

The Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food, the Secretary of State for Health and the Secretary of State for Wales, acting jointly, in relation to England and Wales, and the Secretary of State for Scotland in relation to Scotland, in exercise of the powers conferred on them by sections 16(1)(c), (d), and (f) and 48(1) of, and paragraph 3 of Schedule 1 to, the Food Safety Act 1990(1) and of all other powers enabling them in that behalf, after consultation in accordance with section 48(4) of the Food Safety Act 1990 with such organisations as appear to them to be representative of interests likely to be substantially affected by the Regulations, hereby make the following Regulations:—

**Title and commencement**

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Animal By-Products (Identification) (Amendment) Regulations 1997 and shall come into force on 21st September 1997.

**Amendment to the Animal By-Products (Identification) Regulations 1995**

2.—(1) The Animal By-Products (Identification) Regulations 1995(2) shall be amended in accordance with paragraph (2) below.

(2) In regulation 3—

(a) in paragraph (1), after the words “paragraph (2)” there shall be inserted the words “and paragraph (3)”; and

(b) after paragraph (2) there shall be added the following paragraph—

“(3) In these Regulations, the definition of “animal by-product” shall also include any carcase or part of a carcase which is derived from a bovine animal which has been slaughtered for human consumption and has been shown to be more than two years and six

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(1) 1990 c. 16; “the Ministers” is defined in section 4(1) of the Act; section 6(4)(a) of the Act was amended by the Deregulation and Contracting Out Act 1994 (c. 40), section 31 and Schedule 9, paragraph 6.  
(2) S.I.1995/614, to which there is an amendment not relevant to these Regulations.

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months old at the time of slaughter but was not accompanied, at the time of slaughter, by a slaughter certificate issued under the Beef Assurance Scheme or any other scheme made by the Minister or any Secretary of State which provides an exception to the prohibition of sale of meat from bovine animals which are older than that age at slaughter.”.

19th August 1997

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Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Health

21st August 1997

*Tessa Jowell*  
Minister of State for Public Health,  
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Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Scotland

21st August 1997

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Parliamentary Under Secretary of State, Scottish  
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Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Wales

27th August 1997

*Win Griffiths*  
Parliamentary Under Secretary of State, Welsh  
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## **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

*(This note is not part of the Regulations)*

These Regulations amend regulation 3 of the Animal By-Products (Identification) Regulations 1995. The amendment adds to the definition of animal by-product to which the sterilisation and staining requirements of those Regulations apply. The definition now includes carcasses or parts of carcasses derived from bovine animals which are slaughtered for human consumption and were more than two years and six months old at the time of slaughter, but which were not slaughtered under the Beef Assurance Scheme or any other scheme which provides an exception to the prohibition of sale of meat from older bovine animals.