## **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations amend the Seed Potatoes (England) Regulations 2006 (S.I. 2006/1161) to implement, in England, Commission Directive 2008/62/EC providing for certain derogations for acceptance of agricultural landraces and varieties which are naturally adapted to the local and regional conditions and threatened by genetic erosion and for marketing of seed and seed potatoes of those landraces and varieties, in so far as it relates to seed production and marketing (OJ No L 162, 21.6.08, p 13).

Regulation 4 inserts a new provision specifying certain requirements in relation to the marketing of seed potatoes of a conservation variety (as defined in regulation 3) and regulation 5 makes provision for the labelling requirements in Article 18 of Commission Directive 2008/62/EC.

Contravention of any of the provisions introduced by these Regulations is an offence under section 16(7)(b) of the Plant Varieties and Seeds Act 1964 (c. 14).

A transposition note is available from the Food and Environment Agency, Plant Health Policy Office, Sand Hutton, York, YO41 1LZ and is annexed to the Explanatory Memorandum which is available alongside the instrument on the Office of Public Sector Information website.

A full impact assessment has not been produced for this instrument as no impact on the private or voluntary sectors is foreseen.

## **Textual Amendments**

F1 Regulations revoked (1.1.2016) by The Seed Potatoes (England) Regulations 2015 (S.I. 2015/1953), regs. 1(1), 25(2)(c) (with reg. 1(3))

Changes to legislation:
There are currently no known outstanding effects for the The Seed Potatoes (England) (Amendment) Regulations 2009 (revoked).