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FOOD, ENGLAND

The Country of Origin of Certain Meats (England) Regulations 2015

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The Secretary of State makes the following Regulations in exercise of the powers conferred by sections 6(4), 16(1), 17(1), 26(1), (2) and (3), 31(1) and 48(1) of the Food Safety Act 1990(1) and now vested in the Secretary of State(2), and by section 2(2) of, and paragraph 1A of Schedule 2 to, the European Communities Act 1972(3).

The Secretary of State is a Minister designated for the purposes of section 2(2) of the European Communities Act 1972 in relation to the common agricultural policy(4) and in relation to food and drink intended for sale for human consumption, including the presentation, packaging, labelling, marketing and advertising of such food and drink(5).

The following Regulations make provision for a purpose mentioned in section 2(2) of the European Communities Act 1972(6) and it appears to the Secretary of State that it is expedient for any reference to Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) No 1337/2013 laying down rules for the application of Regulation (EU) No 1169/2011 of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards the indication of the country of origin or place of provenance for fresh, chilled and frozen meat of swine, sheep, goats and poultry(7) to be construed as a reference to that Regulation as amended from time to time.

^{(1) 1990} c. 16; section 6(4) was amended by the Deregulation and Contracting Out Act 1994 (c. 40), Schedule 9, paragraph 6, the Food Standards Act 1999 (c. 28) ("the 1999 Act"), Schedule 5, paragraph 10(1) and (3) and Schedule 6, and S.I. 2002/794. Section 16(1) was amended by the 1999 Act, Schedule 5, paragraph 8. Section 17(1) was amended by the 1999 Act, Schedule 5, paragraph 8 and 12(a), and S.I. 2011/1043. Section 26(3) was partially repealed by the 1999 Act, Schedule 6. Sections 31(1) and 48(1) were amended by the 1999 Act, Schedule 5, paragraph 8.

⁽²⁾ Functions formerly exercisable by "the Ministers" (being, in relation to England and Wales and acting jointly, the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food and the Secretaries of State respectively concerned with health in England and food and health in Wales and, in relation to Scotland, the Secretary of State) are now exercisable in relation to England by the Secretary of State pursuant to the Food Standards Act 1999, Schedule 5, paragraph 8.

^{(3) 1972} c. 68; section 2(2) was amended by the Legislative and Regulatory Reform Act 2006 (c. 51), section 27(1)(a) and the European Union (Amendment) Act 2008 (c. 7), Schedule, Part 1. Paragraph 1A of Schedule 2 was inserted by the Legislative and Regulatory Reform Act 2006, section 28 and was amended by the European Union (Amendment) Act 2008, Schedule, Part 1 and S.I. 2007/1388.

⁽⁴⁾ S.I. 1972/1811, to which there are amendments not relevant to these Regulations.

⁽⁵⁾ S.I. 2005/2766, to which there are amendments not relevant to these Regulations.

⁽⁶⁾ Section 2(2) was amended by the Legislative and Regulatory Reform Act 2006, section 27(1)(a) and the European Union (Amendment) Act 2008, Schedule, Part 1.

⁽⁷⁾ OJ No L 335, 14.12.13, p 19.

So far as the following Regulations are made in exercise of powers under the Food Safety Act 1990, the Secretary of State has had regard to relevant advice given by the Food Standards Agency in accordance with section 48(4A) of that Act(8).

There has been consultation, as required by Article 9 of Regulation (EC) No 178/2002 of the European Parliament and of the Council laying down the general principles and requirements of food law, establishing the European Food Safety Authority and laying down procedures in matters of food safety(9), during the preparation and evaluation of the following Regulations.

⁽⁸⁾ Section 48(4A) was inserted by the Food Standards Act 1999, Schedule 5, paragraph 21.

⁽⁹⁾ OJ No L 31, 1.2.02, p 1, last amended by Regulation (EC) No 596/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council (OJ No L 188, 18.7.09, p 14).