## **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These regulations amend the prescribed fees in the Police Act 1997 (Criminal Records) Regulations 2002. The fees for standard criminal conviction certificates (also known as basic certificates) are reduced from £25 to £23. The fees for criminal records certificates (also known as standard certificates) are reduced from £26 to £23, and enhanced criminal records certificates are reduced from £44 to £40.

The amended fees apply to applications for criminal conviction certificates, criminal records certificates and enhanced criminal records certificates in England and Wales.

A full impact assessment of the effect that this instrument will have on the costs of business, the voluntary sector and the public sector is available from www.legislation.gov.uk. Hard copies can be obtained by writing to the Home Office Sponsorship Unit, Home Office, 2 Marsham Street, London SW1P 4DF.