## **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations are made in exercise of the powers conferred by the European Union (Withdrawal) Act 2018 (c. 16) in order to address failures of retained EU law to operate effectively and other deficiencies (in particular the deficiency referred to in paragraph (f) of section 8(2)) arising from the withdrawal of the United Kingdom from the European Union.

Part 2 makes provision for certain functions of the European Commission of a legislative character under Council Directive 2006/88/EC on animal health requirements for aquaculture animals and products thereof, and on the prevention and control of certain diseases in aquatic animals (OJNo. L 328, 24.11.2006, p.14) to be exercisable instead by the Secretary of State, Welsh Ministers, Scottish Ministers or the Department of Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs.

Part 3 makes provision for certain functions of the European Commission of a legislative character under Council Directive 2000/29/EC on protective measures against the introduction into the Community of organisms harmful to plants or plant products and against their spread within the Community (OJ No. L 169, 10.7.2000, p.1) to be exercisable instead by the Secretary of State, Welsh Ministers or the Department of Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs.

An impact assessment has not been produced for this instrument as no, or no significant, impact on the private or voluntary sector is foreseen.