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 under section 8(2)(a), (c) and (e)) arising from the withdrawal of the United Kingdom from the European Union.

These Regulations make amendments to legislation relating to-

- (a) agricultural products and foodstuffs;
- (b) aromatised wines
- (c) spirit drinks;
- (d) wine.

Part 2 and the Schedules amend retained direct EU legislation relating to those products.

Part 3 amends domestic legislation relating to those products and to trade marks and organic products, amending provisions in subordinate legislation that were included to address failures of retained EU law to operate effectively and other deficiencies arising from the withdrawal of the United Kingdom from the European Union, including amendments which update previous amendments to take account of the transition period.

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