

**2021 No. 1413**

**FOOD, ENGLAND**

**The Eggs (England) Regulations 2021**

*Made* - - - - *13th December 2021*

*Coming into force* - - *1st January 2022*

The Secretary of State makes these Regulations in exercise of the powers conferred by sections 37 and 50(3) of the Agriculture Act 2020(a).

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(b) there has been open and transparent public consultation during the preparation of these Regulations.

In accordance with sections 37(6) and 50(6)(a) of the Agriculture Act 2020, a draft of this instrument has been laid before Parliament and approved by a resolution of each House of Parliament.

**Citation, commencement, extent and application**

**1.**—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the Eggs (England) Regulations 2021 and come into force on 1st January 2022.

(2) These Regulations extend to England and Wales, and apply to England only.

**Amendment of Commission Regulation (EC) No 589/2008**

**2.**—(1) Commission Regulation (EC) No 589/2008 laying down detailed rules for implementing Council Regulation (EC) No 1234/2007 as regards marketing standards for eggs(c) is amended as follows.

(2) In Article 24(3), in the first sub-paragraph, for the words from “at the time” to “free circulation” substitute “before being offered for sale to the final consumer or to mass caterers.”.

*Victoria Prentis*  
Minister of State

13th December 2021

Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs

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(a) 2020 c. 21.

(b) EUR 2002/178, to which there are amendments not relevant to these Regulations.

(c) EUR 2008/589, amended by S.I. 2019/1422; there are other amending instruments, but none is relevant.

## EXPLANATORY NOTE

*(This note is not part of the Regulations)*

These Regulations amend the retained European regulation that establishes marketing standards for eggs. They have effect in England only.

They amend retained Commission Regulation (EC) No 589/2008 (EUR 2008/589) on marketing standards for eggs, by permitting marketing standards checks on Class A eggs to take place at locations such as packing centres and wholesalers' premises, but before sale to the final consumer or to mass caterers, rather than requiring the checks to be carried out before customs clearance.

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