
EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations are made in exercise of the powers conferred by sections 8(1) and 8C of the European Union (Withdrawal) Act 2018 (c. 16) in order to address failures of retained EU law to operate effectively and other deficiencies and to deal with matters arising out of, or related to, the Protocol on Ireland/Northern Ireland in the EU withdrawal agreement.

These Regulations make amendments to legislation in the field of plant health. Part 2 amends domestic legislation relating to plant health as it applies in England. Part 3 amends Regulation (EU) 2016/2031 of the European Parliament and of the Council on protective measures against pests of plants and Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2017/2313 setting out the format specifications of the plant passport for movement within the Union territory and the plant passport for introduction into, and movement within, a protected zone, as they apply in Great Britain.

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