

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations, which apply to Wales only, amend the Miscellaneous Food Additives Regulations 1995, as amended (“the principal Regulations”).

The Regulations implement Commission Directive [2000/63/EC](#) amending Directive [96/77/EC](#) laying down specific purity criteria on food additives other than colours and sweeteners (OJNo. L277, 30.10.2000, p.1).

Subject to a transitional provision, the Regulations amend the existing requirements in the principal Regulations as regards the purity criteria for butylated hydroxyanisole (BHA) and specify new purity criteria in relation to the additives specified in Annex II to Commission Directive [2000/63/EC](#) (regulations 3 to 5).

The Regulations also make consequential amendments to the instruments specified in regulation 4, as regards references in those instruments to the principal Regulations (regulation 6).

No regulatory impact assessment has been prepared in respect of these Regulations.