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## EXPLANATORY NOTE

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

These Regulations make provision to enforce, in Wales, certain provisions of Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) No 1337/2013 laying down rules for the application of Regulation (EU) No 1169/2011 of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards the indication of the country of origin or place of provenance for fresh, chilled and frozen meat of swine, sheep, goats and poultry (OJ No L 335, 14.12.13, p 19) (“the Commission Regulation”).

Regulation 3 sets out that each food authority in its area is the competent authority for the purposes of Article 5(1) and (2) of the Commission Regulation. Regulation 4 makes food authorities and port health authorities responsible for enforcement of the Regulations.

Regulation 5 requires food business operators to keep records for 12 months from the end of the calendar year to which each record relates.

Regulation 6 and the Schedule apply certain provisions of the Food Safety Act 1990 (1990 c. 16) with modifications. This includes the application (with modifications) of section 10(1), enabling an improvement notice to be served requiring compliance with specified provisions of the Commission Regulation or with regulation 5. The provisions, as applied, make the failure to comply with an improvement notice an offence.

The Welsh Ministers’ Code of Practice on the carrying out of Regulatory Impact Assessments was considered in relation to these Regulations. As a result, a regulatory impact assessment has been prepared as to the likely costs and benefits of complying with these Regulations. A copy can be obtained from the Food Standards Agency at Food Standards Agency Wales, 11<sup>th</sup> Floor, Southgate House, Wood Street, Cardiff, CF10 1EW or from the Agency’s website at [www.food.gov.uk/wales](http://www.food.gov.uk/wales).