

Explanatory Memorandum to The Products of Animal Origin (Disease Control) (Wales) (Amendment) (No 2) Regulations 2009

This Explanatory Memorandum has been prepared by the Office of the Chief Veterinary Officer and is laid before the National Assembly for Wales in accordance with Standing Order 24.1.

(i) Description

The Products of Animal Origin (Disease Control) (Wales) (Amendment) Regulations 2009 implemented paragraph 4(d) of Annex II to Council Directive 92/119/EC. Amendments were also made to regulations 9, 12, 14 and 15 of the 2008 regulations in respect of restricted meat from restricted poultry intended for supply only on the domestic market.

The Products of Animal Origin (Disease Control) (Wales) (Amendment) (No 2) Regulations 2009 make a minor amendment to these regulations and correct an anomaly in regulation 3, paragraph 8(a) by substituting 'protection zone' for 'protected zone' for clarity.

(ii) Matters of special interest to the Subordinate Legislation Committee

These regulations correct an error reported by the Subordinate Legislation Committee on 15 June 2009.

(iii) Legislative Background

The Regulations are made under section 2(2) of the European Communities Act 1972. This power is exercisable by Welsh Ministers by virtue of paragraph 30 of Schedule 11 to the Government of Wales Act 2006. The Regulations follow the negative resolution procedure.

(iv) Purpose and intended effect of the legislation

The objective of the amendment Regulations is to correct a discrepancy so that there is no doubt about the meaning of paragraph 8(a), as outlined above.

(v) Implementation

It is intended that the Statutory Instrument will come into force on 10 August 2009.

(vi) Consultation

A consultation exercise was not undertaken in respect of this minor amendment.

(vii) **Regulatory Impact Assessment**

As the Products of Animal Origin (Disease Control) (Wales) (Amendment) (No 2) Regulations 2009 only amends an anomaly a Regulatory Impact Assessment has not been prepared. There are no known financial implications for businesses, charities or voluntary bodies resulting from these amendment regulations.