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The Food Hygiene (England) (Amendment) Regulations 2008

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No abre el plazo - Nezahtuje odklady - Fristerne indledes ikke - Kein Fristbeginn - Viivituste perioodi ei avata - Καμμία έναρξη προθεσμίας - Does not open the delays - N'ouvre pas de délais - Non fa decorrere la mora - Neietekmē atlikšanu - Atidėjimai nepradedami - Nem nyitja meg a késések - Ma' jiftaħ il-perijodi ta' dawmien - Geen termijnbegin - Nie otwiera opóźnień - Nao inicia o prazo - Neotvorí oneskorenia - Ne uvaja zamud - Määräaika ei ala tästä - Inleder ingen frist - Не се предвижда период на прекъсване - Nu deschide perioadele de stagnare - Nu deschide perioadele de stagnare.

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4. Notification Number

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5. Title

The Food Hygiene (England) (Amendment) Regulations 2008

6. Products Concerned

The formatting of health and identification marking for meat.

7. Notification Under Another Act

Regulation (EC) No 853/2004 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 29 April 2004 laying down specific hygiene rules for food of animal origin.

8. Main Content

The Regulations update definitions of the Community hygiene legislation and thus provide for their enforcement.

The Regulations set down the format of the health mark to be applied to carcasses of animals slaughtered outside a slaughterhouse and the identification mark to be used on packages of meat produced from such carcasses.

The Regulations also provide for the approval of slaughterhouses without cleansing and disinfection facilities and facilities to detain meat as fully meeting the legal requirements relating to equipment and structures in Regulation (EC) 853/2004. Former low throughput slaughterhouses were not previously required to have these facilities and some of them cannot meet these requirements because of their location, lack of physical space or because they occupy buildings of historical significance.

9. Brief Statement of Grounds

It is a requirement of Regulation (EC) 853/2004 that the carcasses of animals slaughtered outside a slaughterhouse must be marked in a way that distinguishes them from the carcasses of animals slaughtered in a slaughterhouse in the usual way so that the meat may only be sold on the national market. This is partly because such meat can be seen as being of a lower quality. Without a derogation from the requirement for all slaughterhouses to have cleansing and disinfection facilities and facilities to detain meat, these slaughterhouses could not receive approval to continue to operate and would go out of business. This will ensure that jobs and the service they provide to the rural economy, often in remote rural areas, are maintained.

10. Reference Documents - Basic Texts

e) No Basic Text

11. Invocation of the Emergency Procedure

No

12. Grounds for the Emergency

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13. Confidentiality



No

14. Fiscal measures

No

15. Impact assessment

Impact assessment not available

16. TBT and SPS aspects

TBT Aspect

No

The draft does not have a significant effect on international trade.

SPS Aspect

No

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