

FOOD HYGIENE RATING (WALES) ACT 2013

EXPLANATORY NOTES

COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS

Section 7 – Requirement to display food hygiene rating stickers

19. **Section 7** provides that when the operator of a food business establishment has received notification of its rating from the food authority, the operator has 21 days within which they must display the sticker at the food establishment. This 21-day period provides the operator with the opportunity to appeal against the rating. If the operator appeals, the obligation to display the rating does not apply until the operator receives notification of the outcome of the appeal.
20. The Welsh Ministers will prescribe, in regulations, the location and manner in which the sticker must be displayed; regulations may also prescribe the proper location and manner for displaying a sticker at different types of establishment.
21. The sticker ceases to be valid when the rating to which it relates ceases to be valid (see paragraph 8 above). When a sticker ceases to be valid the operator must remove the sticker from display and destroy it, unless instructed not to destroy it by a food authority.