## STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

# 2012 No. 947

# The Quality Standards for Green Bananas (England and Wales) Regulations 2012

# PART 1

### Introduction

#### Title, commencement and application

- 1. These Regulations—
  - (a) may be cited as the Quality Standards for Green Bananas (England and Wales) Regulations 2012;
  - (b) come into force on 11th May 2012;
  - (c) apply in England and Wales only.

#### **Commencement Information**

II Reg. 1 in force at 11.5.2012, see reg. 1(b)

#### Interpretation

2. In these Regulations—

"authorised officer" means any person appointed by the Secretary of State in accordance with regulation 3(3);

"bananas" means bananas of the varieties detailed in point I of Annex I of the Commission Regulation;

"Commission Regulation" means Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) No 1333/2011 laying down marketing standards for bananas, rules on the verification of compliance with those marketing standards and requirements for notifications in the banana sector, as amended from time to time;

"container" includes any basket, tray, package or receptacle of any kind, whether open or closed;

"label" includes any device for conveying information by written characters or other symbols, and any characters or symbols stamped or otherwise placed directly on to any bananas or container of bananas, and references to the affixing of a label are to be construed accordingly;

"lot" has the same meaning as in paragraph 1.5 of Annex V of Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 543/2011 laying down detailed rules for the application of Council Regulation

(EC) No 1234/2007 in respect of the fruit and vegetables and processed fruit and vegetables sectors(1);

"marketing standards" means any of the minimum requirements, classification, sizing, presentation and marking standards provided for in Article 1 and Annex I of the Commission Regulation, subject to the tolerances in paragraph IV of that Annex; and

"premises" includes any place, vehicle or trailer, stall, vessel, freight container, moveable structure, aircraft, or hovercraft.

#### **Commencement Information**

I2 Reg. 2 in force at 11.5.2012, see reg. 1(b)

#### Designations, provision of information and appointment of officers

**3.**—(1) The Secretary of State is designated as the competent national authority for England and Wales for the purposes of the Commission Regulation and as the body responsible for the checks under that Regulation in England and Wales.

(2) For the purposes of fulfilling the obligations in the Commission Regulation on competent national authorities and bodies responsible for checks, the Secretary of State may, without prejudice to disclosure pursuant to an order of a court or pursuant to a rule of law, provide information to and request information from—

- (a) the competent national authorities and inspection bodies <sup>F1</sup>... in Northern Ireland and Scotland;
- $F^{2}(b)$  ....

(3) The Secretary of State may appoint officers for the purposes of the enforcement of these Regulations.

- F1 Words in reg. 3(2)(a) omitted (31.12.2020) by virtue of The Market Measures (Miscellaneous Provisions) (Amendment) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019 (S.I. 2019/824), regs. 1, 7(2)(a); 2020 c. 1, Sch. 5 para. 1(1)
- F2 Reg. 3(2)(b) omitted (31.12.2020) by virtue of The Market Measures (Miscellaneous Provisions) (Amendment) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019 (S.I. 2019/824), regs. 1, 7(2)(b); 2020 c. 1, Sch. 5 para. 1(1)

#### **Commencement Information**

I3 Reg. 3 in force at 11.5.2012, see reg. 1(b)

**Changes to legislation:** There are currently no known outstanding effects for the The Quality Standards for Green Bananas (England and Wales) Regulations 2012, PART 1.