EUROPEAN UNION (OFFICIAL CONTROLS IN RELATION TO FOOD LEGISLATION) (IMPORTS OF FOOD OF NON-ANIMAL ORIGIN) (AMENDMENT) REGULATIONS 2022
I, STEPHEN DONNELLY, Minister for Health, in exercise of the powers conferred on me by section 3 of the European Communities Act 1972 (No. 27 of 1972) and for the purpose of giving further effect to Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2021/2246 of 15 December 2021, hereby make the following regulations:

1. (1) These Regulations may be cited as the European Union (Official Controls in relation to Food Legislation) (Imports of Food of Non-Animal Origin) (Amendment) Regulations 2022.

(2) The Principal Regulations, the European Union (Official Controls in relation to Food Legislation) (Imports of Food of Non-Animal Origin) (Amendment) Regulations 2021 (S.I. No. 244 of 2021), the Regulations of 2021 and these Regulations may be cited together as the European Union (Official Controls in relation to Food Legislation) (Imports of Food of Non-Animal Origin) Regulations 2020 to 2022.

2. In these Regulations—

“Principal Regulations” means the European Union (Official Controls in relation to Food Legislation) (Imports of Food of Non-Animal Origin) Regulations 2020 (S.I. No. 575 of 2020);


3. Regulation 2(1) (as amended by Regulation 3 of the Regulations of 2021) of the Principal Regulations is amended—

(a) by substituting for the definition of “Annex I to EU Regulation 2019/1793” the following:


(b) by substituting for the definition of “Annex II to EU Regulation 2019/1793” the following:

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(c) by substituting for the definition of “EU Regulation 2019/1793” the following:


4. Regulation 24 (as amended by Regulation 4 of the Regulations of 2021) of the Principal Regulations is amended by inserting after paragraph (3) the following paragraph:

“(4) Notwithstanding the provisions of Regulation 20(4), an operator is not guilty of an offence where he or she imports into the State from a third country a consignment of Black pepper (Piper nigrum) from Brazil without complying with the requirement in Regulation 8(1)(m)(ii)(II) or (IV), before 27 January 2022.”.


STEPHEN DONNELLY,
Minister for Health.

\(^1\) OJ No. L 144, 7.5.2020, p. 13.
\(^2\) OJ No. L 353, 23.10.2020, p. 4.
\(^3\) OJ No. L 129, 15.4.2021, p. 119.
\(^4\) OJ No. L 387, 3.11.2021, p. 78.
EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Instrument and does not purport to be a legal interpretation).


These Regulations amend the European Union (Official Controls in relation to Food Legislation) (Imports of Food of Non-Animal Origin) Regulations 2020 (S.I. No. 575 of 2020) in the manner specified in these Regulations.

These Regulations may be cited as the European Union (Official Controls in relation to Food Legislation) (Imports of Food of Non-Animal Origin) (Amendment) Regulations 2022.