

To Interested parties
(see list attached)

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Reference: CHA0105

Dear Sir or Madam

The Materials and Articles in Contact with Food (Scotland) Regulations 2007

I have enclosed for your information guidance on The Materials and Articles in Contact with Food (Scotland) Regulations 2007 relating to Good Manufacturing Practice.

The 2007 Regulations revoke the earlier regulations made in 2006, but re-enacts their provisions with the addition of provisions for the enforcement, in Scotland, of Regulation 2023/2006 on good manufacturing practice, by the food authorities as defined by the Food Safety Act 1990 (as amended). They also implement Commission Directive 2007/42/EC relating to materials and articles made of regenerated cellulose film intended to come into contact with foodstuffs, though this guidance relates solely to Good Manufacturing Practice.

The 2007 Regulations also provide for offences where products subject to the provisions are in breach of them; for defences against alleged breaches of the European Regulation and for penalties that will apply upon conviction for an offence under them.

Copies of the Regulations, once they come into force, can be purchased from the Stationery Office: by telephone: 0870 600 5522 or fax: 0870 600 5533; through TSO bookshops in Belfast, Birmingham, Cardiff, Edinburgh, London or Manchester. The Regulations are also published free-of-charge, on the website of the Office of Public Sector Information (previously Her Majesty's Stationery Office (HMS)), at <http://www.opsi.gov.uk/>; by e-mail to: customer.services@tso.co.uk. Copies can also be obtained from the website address.

Yours sincerely

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