

Llywodraeth Cymru Welsh Government

WRITTEN STATEMENT BY THE WELSH GOVERNMENT

TITLE The Organic Products (Amendment) (EU Exit) Regulations 2018

- DATE 23 November 2018
- BY Julie James AM, Leader of the House and Chief Whip

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The law which is being amended

The legislation amended by these regulations is the Organic Products Regulations 2009.

Any impact the SI may have on the Assembly's legislative competence and/or the Welsh Ministers' executive competence

This statutory instrument contains provisions which are within devolved competence.

The purpose of the amendments

The Organic Products (Amendment) (EU Exit) Regulations 2018 makes amendments to legislation, which provides powers to administer and enforce retained EU legislation relating to organic production and labelling rules, in order to ensure that it remains operable after the UK's exit from the EU.

The SI and accompanying Explanatory Memorandum, setting out the effect of each amendment is available here: <u>https://www.gov.uk/eu-withdrawal-act-2018-statutory-instruments/the-organic-products-amendment-eu-exit-regulations-2018</u>

Why consent was given

Consent has been given for the UK Government to make these corrections in relation to, and on behalf of, Wales for reasons of efficiency, expediency and due to the technical nature of the amendments. The amendments have been considered fully; and there is no divergence in policy. These amendments are to ensure that the statute book remains functional following the UK's exit from the EU. This is in line with the principles for correcting agreed by the Cabinet Sub-Committee on European Transition in May.