## S.I. No. 366 of 2003

## **European Communities (Seed Potatoes) (Amendment) Regulations 2003**

I, Joe Walsh, Minister for Agriculture and Food, in exercise of the powers conferred on me by Section 3 of the European Communities Act, 1972 (No 27 of 1972) and for the purposes of giving effect to Article 11.2 of Council Directive 2002/56/EC of 13 June 2002(1) hereby make the following Regulations:

- 1. (1) These Regulations may be cited as the European Communities (Seed Potatoes) (Amendment) Regulations, 2003.
  - (2) The European Communities (Seed Potatoes) Regulations 1980 to 1999 and these Regulations may be cited together as the European Communities (Seed Potatoes) Regulations 1980 to 2003.
- The European Communities (Seed Potatoes) Regulations, 1980 (S.I. No 343 of 1980) are hereby amended by the insertion of the following Regulation after Regulation 8:
- " 8 (A) Paragraphs (1) and (4) of Regulation 7 and Regulation 8 of these Regulations shall not apply to packages containing less than 10 kg of basic seed potatoes, packed for retail sale to the end consumer:

(a) Where, at the time of sale there is conspicuously displayed on or in close proximity to the basic seed potatoes a statement setting out the information listed in Part IV of the Schedule to these Regulations;

or

(b) Packaged in new containers upon each of which there is printed on otherwise legibly or indelibly marked on to or in which there is attached or inserted a label setting out the information contained in Part IV of the Schedule to these Regulations. "

> **Given** under my Official Seal, 25<sup>th</sup> July 2003

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Joe Walsh

Minister for Agriculture and Food.

## **Explanatory Note**

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

These Regulations amend the European Communities (Seed Potatoes) Regulations (S.I. 343 of 1980), to allow a simplification of requirements for the sealing and labelling of small packages of seed Potatoes.

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- (3) Private Secretary to Minister

European Communities (Marketing of Honey) Regulations 2003

The above mentioned Regulations are being made in order to transpose into Irish law Council Directive 2001/110/EC of 20 December 2001 on honey. This draft Regulation has been approved by Legal Affairs Division.

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