STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

2026 No. 103

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The Jam and Similar Products (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2026

Made - - - -	3rd June 2026
Coming into operation	30th June 2026

The Department of Health(**a**) makes the following Regulations in exercise of the powers conferred by Articles 15(1)(a) and (e), 25(1) and (3), 26(3), 32(1) and 47(2) of the Food Safety (Northern Ireland) Order 1991(**b**) and Sections 11 and 22 and paragraph 11M(1) of Part 1C of Schedule 2, and paragraph 21(b) of Schedule 7 to the European Union Withdrawal Act 2018(**c**).

In accordance with Article 47(3A) of the Food Safety (Northern Ireland) Order 1991, the Department of Health has had regard to relevant advice given by the Food Standards Agency.

As required by Article 9 of Regulation (EC) No 178/2002 of the European Parliament and of the Council laying down the general principles and requirements of food law, establishing the European Food Safety Authority and laying down procedures in matters of food safety(**d**) there has been open and transparent public consultation during the preparation and evaluation of these Regulations.

Citation, commencement and interpretation

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Jam and Similar Products (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2026 and come into operation on 30th June 2026.

2. The Interpretation Act (Northern Ireland) 1954(**e**) shall apply to these Regulations as it applies to an Act of the Assembly.

Amendment to the Jam and Similar Products Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2018

3. (1) The Jam and Similar Products Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2018(**f**) are amended as follows.

(2) In Schedule 3 (Regulated products)—

(a) in Part 4 (Jelly)—

(i) in paragraph 2—

(**a**) Formerly the Department of Health, Social Services and Public Safety; see 2016 c.5 (N.I.), section 1
(**b**) S.I. 1991 No. 762 (N.I.7) as amended by S.I. 1996/1663 (N.I.12)
(**c**) 2018 c.16
(**d**) OJ No. L 31, 1.2.2002, p. 1
(**e**) 1954 c.33 (NI)
(**f**) S.R. 2018 No. 78 as amended by S.R. 2026 No. 5

(aa) in sub-paragraph (a) for “250” substitute “350”,

(bb) in sub-paragraph (b) for “150” substitute “180”,

(cc) in sub-paragraph (c) for “160” substitute “230”,

(dd) in sub-paragraph (d) for “60” substitute “80”, and

(ee) in sub-paragraph (e) for “350” substitute “450”;

(b) in Part 5 (Extra jelly)—

(i) in paragraph 3—

(aa) in sub-paragraph (a) for “350” substitute “450”,

(bb) in sub-paragraph (b) for “250” substitute “280”,

(cc) in sub-paragraph (c) for “230” substitute “290”,

(dd) in sub-paragraph (d) for “80” substitute “100”, and

(ee) in sub-paragraph (e) for “450” substitute “500”.

Transitional provisions

4.—(1) Any products lawfully placed on the market or labelled before 30th June 2026 in accordance with the Jam and Similar Products Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2018 as in operation at the time may continue to be marketed until these stocks are exhausted.

Sealed with the official seal of the Department of Health on 3rd June 2026.

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EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations implement the amendments made by Council Directive 2024/1438 (the Breakfast Directive) to Council Directive 2001/113/EC relating to fruit jams, jellies and marmalades and sweetened chestnut purée intended for human consumption.

The Regulations amend the Jam and Similar Products Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2018 to implement the amendments made by the Breakfast Directive to the compositional criteria of jelly and extra jelly.

A transposition note is attached to the Explanatory Memorandum which is available alongside the Statutory Rule on www.legislation.gov.uk.

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