STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1969 No. 1430

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The Agricultural and Horticultural Improvements (Standard Costs) (Amendment) Regulations 1969

Made - - -	1*st October* 1969
Laid before Parliament	10*th October* 1969
Coming into Operation	11*th October* 1969

The Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food, the Secretary of State for Scotland and the Secretary of State for Wales, acting jointly in exercise of the powers conferred upon them by section 36 of the Agriculture Act 1967(**a**) (including the powers conferred upon them by the said section 36 as applied by section 41(7) of the said Act), sections 3 and 6 of the Horticulture Act 1960(**b**) (including the powers conferred upon them by the said section 3 as applied by section 3(2) of the Agriculture and Horticulture Act 1964(**c**), which latter section is by virtue of section 8 of that Act to be construed as one with Part I of the Horticulture Act 1960) and section 1 of the Agricultural Improvement Grants Act 1959(**d**), each of the aforesaid sections being read with the Transfer of Functions (Wales) Order 1969(**e**), and, as respects works for the supply of water, the Secretary of State for Scotland acting in exercise of the powers conferred on him by subsections (3) and (4) of section 1 of the said Act of 1959 and the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food and the Secretary of State for Wales acting jointly in exercise of the powers conferred upon them by the said subsections as read with the Transfer of Functions (Wales) Order 1969, the said Minister also acting in exercise of all other powers enabling them in that behalf, with the consent and approval of the Treasury, hereby make the following regulations :—

Citation, commencement and interpretation

1.—(1) These regulations may be cited as the Agricultural and Horticultural Improvements (Standard Costs) (Amendment) Regulations 1969, and shall come into operation on 11th October 1969.

(2) The Interpretation Act 1889(**f**) shall apply to the interpretation of these regulations as it applies to the interpretation of an Act of Parliament.

Amendment of the principal regulations

2. The Agricultural and Horticultural Improvements (Standard Costs) Regulations 1968(**g**) shall be amended as follows :—

(**a**) 1967 c. 22.
(**b**) 1960 c. 22.
(**c**) 1964 c. 28.
(**d**) 1959 c. 31.
(**e**) S.I. 1969/388 (1969 I, p. 1070).
(**f**) 1889 c. 63.
(**g**) S.I. 1968/282 (1968 I, p. 822).

(*a*) by substituting in the second item in the second column of Schedule 1 thereto (relating to grant under section 30 of the Agriculture Act 1967) for the numbers "59-70, 72-101," the numbers "59-101,";

(*b*) by substituting in the third item in the said second column (relating to grant under section 41 of the Agriculture Act 1967) for the numbers "44, 63-71," the numbers "40-44, 63-81,";

(*c*) by substituting in the seventh item in the said second column (relating to grant under section 15 of the Agriculture (Miscellaneous War Provisions) Act 1940(**a**)) for the number "93" the numbers "93-96.";

(*d*) by substituting in the eighth item in the said second column (relating to grant under section 16 of the Agriculture Act 1937(**b**)) for the number "93" the numbers "93-96.";

(*e*) by substituting for the rates for work 14 specified in column 3 of Part I of Schedule 2 thereto the following rates:—

	s.	d.
"Per square foot of glazed area		
(*a*) Where the width of each gable measured at eaves level exceeds 12′ 0″—		
(i) where the cost of materials is included and—		
(*aa*) each sheet of glass is 28¾″ wide or less	4	6
(*ab*) each sheet of glass is more than 28¾″ wide	4	5
(ii) cost of labour only		6
(*b*) Where the width of each gable measured at eaves level does not exceed 12′ 0″—		
(i) where the cost of materials is included and—		
(*aa*) each sheet of glass is 28¾″ wide or less	3	11
(*ab*) each sheet of glass is more than 28¾″ wide	3	10
(ii) cost of labour only		6";

(*f*) by substituting for the rates for work 15 specified in the said column 3 the following rates:—

	s.	d.
"Per square foot of glazed area		
(*a*) Where the width of each gable measured at eaves level exceeds 12′ 0″—		
(i) where the cost of materials is included and—		
(*aa*) each sheet of glass is 28¾″ wide or less	4	2
(*ab*) each sheet of glass is more than 28¾″ wide	3	10
(ii) cost of labour only		8
(*b*) Where the width of each gable measured at eaves level does not exceed 12′ 0″—		
(i) where the cost of materials is included and—		
(*aa*) each sheet of glass is 28¾″ wide or less	3	7
(*ab*) each sheet of glass is more than 28¾″ wide	3	3
(ii) cost of labour only		8";

(*g*) by inserting in item (*b*) of the rates for work 64 specified in the said column 3 immediately after the word "Class" the letter "B,";

(**a**) 1940 c. 14. (**b**) 1937 c. 70.

(*h*) by inserting in item (*a*) of the rates for work 65 specified in the said column 3 immediately after the word "with" the symbol and word "$\frac{1}{8}$" or";

(*j*) by deleting the words "OUTSIDE BUILDINGS" from the heading immediately preceding work 71 in Part I of Schedule 2 thereto;

(*k*) by deleting the word "Field" from the description of, and requirements for, work 71 in columns 1 and 2 respectively of the said Part I;

(*l*) by substituting for that part of item (*b*) of the requirements for work 91 in column 2 of the said Part I which reads "Line wires shall be strained tightly between straining posts: plain wire shall be attached thereto by galvanised strainers at both ends:" the following words:—

"Line wires shall be strained tightly between straining posts: plain wire shall be attached thereto by galvanised strainers in accordance with British Standard 3854:1965:";

(*m*) by substituting for item (*b*) of the rates for work 106 specified in column 3 of the said Part I the following item:—

	£	s.	d.
"(*b*) Rotovate	1	13	4".

In witness whereof the Official Seal of the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food is hereunto affixed on 26th September 1969.

(L.S.)

Cledwyn Hughes,
Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food.

Given under the Seal of the Secretary of State for Scotland on 29th September 1969.

(L.S.)

William Ross,
Secretary of State for Scotland.

Given under my hand on 27th September 1969.

George Thomas,
Secretary of State for Wales.

We consent and approve.
1st October 1969.

E. Alan Fitch,
J. McCann,
Two of the Lords Commissioners of
Her Majesty's Treasury.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Regulations.)

These regulations, which come into operation on 11th October 1969, amend the Agricultural and Horticultural Improvements (Standard Costs) Regulations 1968 so as to—

(*a*) specify revised rates for certain kinds of narrow span glasshouse (works 14 and 15) and for rotovating (work 106);

(*b*) add water troughs (work 71) to the list of works for which standard costs are prescribed for the purpose of grants under section 30 of the Agriculture Act 1967 (the Farm Improvement Scheme);

(*c*) add certain kinds of walling (works 40-43) and works for the drainage of yards and buildings (works 72-81) to the list of works for which standard costs are prescribed for the purpose of grants under section 41 of the Agriculture Act 1967 (the Hill Land Improvement Scheme);

(*d*) add wooden post and rail fence, gate and gate-post (works 94-96) to the lists of works for which standard costs are prescribed for the purpose of grants under section 15 of the Agriculture (Miscellaneous War Provisions) Act 1940 (Farm Water Supply Grants in England and Wales) and of grants under section 16 of the Agriculture Act 1937 (Farm Water Supply Grants in Scotland) respectively;

(*e*) make minor amendments in the case of certain works relating to piping, water troughs, and strained line wire fencing (works 64, 65, 71 and 91).