EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Order, but is intended to indicate its general purport.)

The Hill Sheep (England and Wales) Scheme, 1947, as varied by the Hill Sheep (England and Wales) Emergency Payments Scheme, 1948, is made under the Hill Farming Act, 1946, and sets out the conditions on which subsidy payments may be made to persons maintaining sheep of a hardy kind on hill farming land. This Order prescribes the amounts of such payments for the season 1947-48. The payments vary according to the method by which the number of sheep in a flock is maintained.

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(10) TRANSFER OF FUNCTIONS

The Agriculture (Transfer of Functions to Minister) Regulations, 1948

1948 No. 209

Made - - - -	*6th February,* 1948
Laid before Parliament	*10th February,* 1948
Coming into Operation	*16th February,* 1948

The Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries, in pursuance of subsection (7) of section seventy-one of the Agriculture Act, 1947(a), and of all other powers enabling him in that behalf, hereby makes the following regulations:—

1. Any functions of a War Agricultural Executive Committee under the enactments specified in the Schedule hereto shall, as from the date when these Regulations come into operation, be transferred to the Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries.

2.—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the Agriculture (Transfer of Functions to Minister) Regulations, 1948, and shall come into operation on the sixteenth day of February, 1948.

(2) The Interpretation Act, 1889(b), shall apply to the interpretation of these Regulations as it applies to the interpretation of an Act of Parliament.

In witness whereof the Official Seal of the Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries is hereunto affixed this 6th day of February, nineteen hundred and forty-eight.

(L.S.) *T. Williams.*

(a) 10 & 11 Geo. 6. c. 48. (b) 52 & 53 Vict. c. 63.

SCHEDULE

Session and Chapter	Short Title	Section
3 & 4 Geo. 6. ch. 14 ...	Agriculture (Miscellaneous War Provisions) Act, 1940	15 (as amended by the two following enactments)
3 & 4 Geo. 6. ch. 50 ...	Agriculture (Miscellaneous War Provisions) (No. 2) Act, 1940	1
4 & 5 Geo. 6. ch. 50 ...	Agriculture (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act, 1941	3
3 & 4 Geo. 6. ch. 14 ...	Agriculture (Miscellaneous War Provisions) Act, 1940	23 (as extended by the next following enactment)
6 & 7 Geo. 6. ch. 16 ...	Agriculture (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act, 1943	13
7 & 8 Geo. 6. ch. 28 ...	Agriculture (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act, 1944	5
9 & 10 Geo. 6. ch. 26 11 & 12 Geo. 6. ch. 10 S.R. & O. 1939 No. 1303	Defence (Agriculture and Fisheries) Regulations, 1939, as having effect by virtue of the Emergency Laws (Transitional Provisions) Act, 1946, and the Emergency Laws (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act, 1947	Regulation 29

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Regulations, but is intended to indicate their general purport.)

With the bringing into force of Part V of the Agriculture Act, 1947, the County War Agricultural Executive Committees, which were established by the Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries early in the war for the performance of various functions relating to agriculture, are to be replaced by the County Agricultural Executive Committees established by the Minister under the provisions of that Part of the Act. The Minister has power, under section 71 (7) of the Act, to transfer to himself by regulation the functions of War Committees under existing enactments; and the present regulations exercise that power with respect to the provisions specified in the Schedule hereto. These are provisions relating to drainage, to requisitioned land, to the supply of water to farms, farmhouses and cottages, and to the employment of children in agricultural work. It is open to the Minister to delegate these and other functions to the new County Committees, in accordance with the provisions of section 72 of the Act.

These regulations come into operation on 16th February, 1948, the date on which the War Agricultural Executive Committees are replaced by the County Agricultural Executive Committees.