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AGRICULTURE

Artificial Insemination of Cattle

REGULATIONS, DATED 16TH APRIL 1970, MADE BY THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE UNDER SECTIONS 2 AND 3 OF THE ARTIFICIAL INSEMINATION OF ANIMALS ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND) 1947.

The Ministry of Agriculture (hereinafter referred to as "the Ministry") in exercise of the powers conferred on it under Sections 2 and 3 of the Artificial Insemination of Animals Act (Northern Ireland) 1947(a), and of every other power enabling it in that behalf and with the approval of the Ministry of Finance, hereby makes the following Regulations by way of amendment of the Artificial Insemination (Cattle) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1968(b) (hereinafter referred to as the "Principal Regulations").

Citation and Commencement

1.—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the Artificial Insemination (Cattle) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1970.

(2) These Regulations shall be read as one with the Principal Regulations and the Principal Regulations and these Regulations may be cited together as the Artificial Insemination (Cattle) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1968 and 1970.

(3) These Regulations shall come into operation on 1st June 1970.

Amendment of Principal Regulations

PART IV—FEES AND CHARGES FOR SERVICES

2. For Regulation 13 of the Principal Regulations there shall be substituted the following new Regulation.

"Ordinary and Nominated Services

13. Where an artificial insemination service is provided at a Centre established and operated by the Ministry, the fee for insemination shall be as follows:—

	£	s	d
(*a*) In respect of a pedigree or non-pedigree cow . . .	1	13	0
(*b*) In respect of a pedigree or non-pedigree cow inseminated with semen from a bull nominated by the owner of the cow	2	3	0

(*c*) The fees prescribed in sub-paragraphs (*a*) and (*b*) shall include such re-inseminations as the Ministry considers necessary provided that such re-inseminations are carried out within eight months from the date of the first insemination."

(a) 1947. c. 17. (b) S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1968, No. 275.

3. For Regulations 15 and 16 of the Principal Regulations there shall be substituted the following new Regulations:

"Private Collection of Semen

15.—(1) Where, at the discretion of the Ministry, semen is collected by an officer of the Ministry either for use in the herd of the owner of the bull from which it is obtained or for sale to other herdowners, the charge for each collection of such semen shall be fifteen pounds, except that where the Ministry agrees that a first collection was not satisfactory a second collection may be made free of charge.

(2) Where artificial insemination is undertaken by an officer of the Ministry with semen collected as in paragraph (1), the fee for such insemination shall be one pound ten shillings which shall include such re-inseminations as the Ministry considers necessary.

(3) Where semen which has been collected in accordance with paragraph (1) is intended for sale and is transferred from one Centre to another Centre for such purpose the charge for such transfer shall be one pound for each consignment so transferred.

(4) Where semen collected as in paragraph (1) is stored in deep freeze at a Centre established and operated by the Ministry, the charge for storage shall be five shillings per week for each 200 straws or part thereof.

Private Importation of Semen

16.—(1) Where imported semen is collected by the Ministry at an airport approved by the Ministry and conveyed to the Ballycraigy Centre, the charge shall be seven shillings and sixpence for each consignment.

(2) Where artificial insemination is undertaken by an officer of the Ministry with imported semen not being the property of the Ministry, the fee for such insemination shall be one pound ten shillings which shall include such re-inseminations as the Ministry considers necessary.

(3) Where imported semen not being the property of the Ministry is stored in deep freeze at a Centre established and operated by the Ministry, the charge for storage shall be five shillings per week for each 200 straws or part thereof."

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Ministry of Agriculture for Northern Ireland this 16th day of April 1970.

(L.S.)

A. E. W. Steen,
Assistant Secretary.

The Ministry of Finance hereby approves the foregoing Regulations.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Ministry of Finance for Northern Ireland this 16th day of April 1970.

(L.S.)

C. F. Darling,
Assistant Secretary.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

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

These Regulations amend the Principal Regulations by increasing the charges for the following services:

General service fee raised from £1 10 0 to £1 13 0

Nominated service fee raised from £2 0 0 to £2 3 0

Fee for service with privately owned and privately imported semen raised from £1 7 6 to £1 10 0

The changes will take effect from 1st June 1970.