1952 No. 2220 (S. 117)

The Calf Subsidies (Scotland) Scheme, 1952

Made - - - - 18*th December*, 1952
Coming into Operation 18*th December*, 1952

In exercise of the powers conferred upon me by subsection (1) of section 1 of the Agriculture (Calf Subsidies) Act, 1952(**a**) and of all other powers enabling me in that behalf, and with the approval of the Treasury, I hereby make the following scheme, a draft of which has been laid before Parliament and has been approved by resolution of each House of Parliament:—

1.—(1) This scheme may be cited as the Calf Subsidies (Scotland) Scheme, 1952.

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

2. For the purposes of this scheme the limit of age at which an animal ceases to be a calf shall be the age when it cuts its first permanent incisor tooth:

Provided that for the period of twelve months from the date of the making of this scheme an animal which otherwise satisfies the requirements of this scheme shall, notwithstanding that it has cut its first permanent incisor tooth, not cease to be a calf until the age attained by it at the termination of the aforesaid period of twelve months.

3. Subject to the provisions of this scheme, the Secretary of State may pay a subsidy of £5 to the person who is the owner of a calf to which this scheme applies at the time when the calf is certified to be a calf of the description specified in this scheme.

4. The description of calf specified in this scheme is any steer or heifer calf, except a heifer calf of the Jersey, Guernsey, Friesian or Ayrshire breeds, which has been reasonably well reared and is suitable for further rearing for beef production, or if a heifer calf for use for breeding for beef production, being in either case an animal which after further rearing and fattening would be likely after slaughter to yield a carcase of reasonably good quality beef.

5. A calf to which this scheme applies is a calf which—

(*a*) was born in the United Kingdom within the period beginning with 1st October, 1951, and ending with 29th October, 1955, and

(*b*) has been certified by a person appointed by the Secretary of State to be of the description specified in the preceding article, and

(*c*) was, at the time of certification, not less than eight months old but had not attained the age at which it ceases to be a calf for the purposes of this scheme:

Provided that in the case of a calf born in the spring in a hill area where there is inadequate winter feed on the farm so that the calf must be sold in the following autumn, the minimum age at the time of certification shall be six months.

(**a**) 15 & 16 Geo. 6 & 1 Eliz. 2. c. 62. (**b**) 52 & 53 Vict. c. 63.

6. No payment shall be made in accordance with the provisions of this scheme in respect of any calf, unless the person certifying it to be of the description specified in this scheme has marked it as having been so certified by a mark punched by him in its right ear:

Provided that no calf shall be marked in this manner unless the said person is satisfied that it has not previously been marked for the purposes of a scheme under the Agriculture (Calf Subsidies) Act, 1952.

7. It shall be a condition of the payment of a subsidy under this scheme that any person who desires to be paid in accordance with the provisions of this scheme—

(*a*) shall apply in writing in such form and at such time as the Secretary of State may from time to time require;

(*b*) shall collect and properly secure the calves at a convenient place for the purposes of examination and marking, and shall assist the person appointed for those purposes.

James Stuart,
One of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State.

St. Andrew's House,
Edinburgh, 1.
16th December, 1952.

We approve,

Herbert Butcher,
Hendrie D. Oakshott,
Two of the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury.

18th December, 1952.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

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

The Agriculture (Calf Subsidies) Act, 1952, provides that schemes may make provision for the payment of subsidies in respect of calves. This scheme made by the Secretary of State applies to Scotland and makes provision for the payment of a subsidy of £5 a calf in respect of any calf (except a heifer calf of the Jersey, Guernsey, Friesian and Ayrshire breeds) which is reasonably well reared and likely to provide reasonably good quality beef. It defines the age of the calves to which it applies and contains provisions for the examination of calves in respect of which application for payment has been made, and for the certifying of such calves as calves of a description to which the scheme applies. It also contains provisions about the person to whom the subsidy may be paid and the time and manner of application for payment.