STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1961 No. 1372 (S. 86)

AGRICULTURE

LIVESTOCK INDUSTRY

The Calf Subsidies (Scotland) Scheme, 1961

Laid before Parliament in draft

Made - - - -	17*th July*, 1961
Coming into Operation	17*th July*, 1961

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, 1961.

(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.

3. Subject to the provisions of this scheme, the Secretary of State may pay 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—

(*a*) in the case of a heifer calf, a subsidy of £7 10s., or

(*b*) in the case of a steer calf, a subsidy of £9 5s.

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 30th October, 1961, and ending with 29th October, 1964, and

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

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

(*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.

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, after satisfying himself that it has not previously been marked for the purposes of a scheme under the Agriculture (Calf Subsidies) Act, 1952, marked it as having been so certified by a mark punched by him in its right ear.

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.

John S. Maclay,

One of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State.

St. Andrew's House,
Edinburgh, 1.

13th July, 1961.

We approve,

John Hill,
W. S. I. Whitelaw,
Two of the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury.

17th July, 1961.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

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

This Scheme made under the Agriculture (Calf Subsidies) Act, 1952, continues provision for the payment of subsidies in respect of eligible calves born within the period specified in the Scheme. The Scheme which relates

to calves born within the period beginning with 30th October, 1961, and ending with 29th October, 1964, applies to Scotland and makes provision for the payment of a subsidy 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. The amount of subsidy is, if the calf is a heifer calf, £7 10s., and if it is a steer calf, £9 5s. The Scheme 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.

Except for the consequential advancing of dates the terms of the Scheme are identical with the previous Scheme, namely, The Calf Subsidies (Scotland) Scheme, 1958 (S.I. 1958/1299), as varied by The Calf Subsidies (Scotland) (Variation) Scheme, 1959 (S.I. 1959/1186).