STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1967 No. 1467 (S. 117)

CROFTERS, COTTARS AND SMALL LANDHOLDERS, SCOTLAND

The Crofting Counties Agricultural Grants (Scotland) Scheme 1967

Made - - - -	*2nd October* 1967
Laid before Parliament	*13th October* 1967
Coming into Operation	*17th October* 1967

In exercise of the powers conferred on me by section 22(1) of the Crofters (Scotland) Act 1955(**a**) and section 14(1) of the Crofters (Scotland) Act 1961(**b**) and of all other powers enabling me in that behalf and after consultation with the Crofters Commission and with the approval of the Treasury, I hereby make the following scheme:—

Citation and Commencement

1. This scheme may be cited as the Crofting Counties Agricultural Grants (Scotland) Scheme 1967 and shall come into operation on 17th October 1967.

Interpretation

2.—(1) In this scheme, unless the context otherwise requires, the following expressions have the meanings hereby respectively assigned to them—

"eligible occupier" has the meaning assigned to it by paragraph 3 of the Crofting Counties Agricultural Grants (Scotland) Scheme 1965(**c**);

"the Hill Cattle Scheme" means the Hill Cattle (Scotland) Scheme 1964(**d**) as amended(**e**);

"breeding cow" has the same meaning as in the Hill Cattle Scheme;

"qualifying day" has the same meaning as in the Hill Cattle Scheme when the year 1967 is the relevant year.

(2) The Interpretation Act 1889(**f**) applies for the interpretation of this scheme as it applies for the interpretation of an Act of Parliament.

Grants to be made

3.—(1) Subject to the provisions of this scheme, a grant may be made by the Secretary of State under this scheme in relation to every breeding cow, being a breeding cow to which this scheme applies, in respect of

(**a**) 3 & 4 Eliz. 2. c. 21. (**b**) 1961 c. 58. (**c**) S.I. 1965/1519 (1965 II, p. 4399).
(**d**) S.I. 1964/673 (1964 II, p. 1270). (**e**) S.I. 1967/624 (1967 I, p. 1865). (**f**) 1889 c. 63.

which a subsidy payment at the reduced rate has been or falls to be made under the Hill Cattle Scheme in respect of the year 1967 as being a breeding cow on the qualifying day (which payment is hereinafter referred to as " the subsidy payment ").

(2) In this paragraph the expression " subsidy payment at the reduced rate " means a subsidy payment reduced in accordance with the provisions of article 10A of the Hill Cattle Scheme.

Breeding cow to which this scheme applies

4.—(1) This scheme applies to any breeding cow—

(*a*) which is grazed and maintained on land comprising or forming part of a qualified croft or holding, being a croft or holding occupied by a person as a crofter or as an eligible occupier, or

(*b*) which is grazed and maintained on common grazings or common pasture to which the Crofters (Scotland) Acts 1955 and 1961 apply by a crofter or eligible occupier in exercise of a right to share in the common grazings or common pasture deemed to form part of a qualified croft or holding of which he is the occupier,

being in either case a cow in respect of which the subsidy payment has been or falls to be made to that crofter or eligible occupier as the person maintaining the cow or to such a person as is mentioned in article 6(2) of the Hill Cattle Scheme.

(2) In this paragraph " qualified croft or holding " means a croft or holding in respect of which no grant under the Crofting Counties Agricultural Grants (Scotland) Scheme 1965 for the cropping of marginal land in the year 1967 has been paid and in respect of which, in the opinion of the Secretary of State, no such grant is payable.

Person to whom grant is to be made

5.—(1) Subject to the following provisions of this paragraph a grant under this scheme in respect of any breeding cow shall be payable to the person to whom the subsidy payment has been or falls to be made in respect of that cow.

(2) Where payment of grant under this scheme is made to such a person as is mentioned in article 6(2) of the Hill Cattle Scheme, article 7(2) of that scheme shall apply to the payment of such grant as it applies to the subsidy payment.

Application for Grant

6. Any person who desires to obtain a grant under this scheme shall make an application for a grant in such form and at such time as the Secretary of State may direct and shall furnish such information as the Secretary of State may require and such application may, if the Secretary of State thinks fit, be combined with an application for a subsidy payment under the Hill Cattle Scheme.

Amount of Grant

7. The amount of any grant which may be made under this scheme in respect of any breeding cow to which this scheme applies as being a breeding cow on the qualifying day in the year 1967, shall be £5.

Prohibition against Assignation of Grant

8. Article 13 of the Hill Cattle Scheme shall apply to any grant falling to be paid under this scheme as it applies to a subsidy payment falling to be paid under that scheme.

William Ross,
One of Her Majesty's
Principal Secretaries of State.

St. Andrew's House,
Edinburgh, 1.

14th September 1967.

We approve.

E. Alan Fitch,
B. K. O'Malley,
Two of the Lords Commissioners
of Her Majesty's Treasury.

2nd October 1967.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(*This Note is not part of the scheme.*)

This scheme enables the Secretary of State to make grants to crofters and certain other occupiers of land in the seven crofting counties of Scotland in supplement of the subsidy payment made under the Hill Cattle (Scotland) Scheme 1964, as amended for the year 1967. This supplement which is at the rate of £5 per head is payable only where no grant under the Crofting Counties Agricultural Grants (Scotland) Scheme 1965 for the cropping of marginal land in the year 1967 has been paid in respect of the croft, holding or grazings on which the cow is maintained and in the opinion of the Secretary of State no such grant is payable.