in 1947, may be made by reference to the numbers maintained on 4th December, 1946. It also enables a scheme to provide for advances to be made out of subsidy payments payable in 1948 and 1949. This scheme varies the Hill Sheep (England and Wales) Scheme, 1947, by making provision that subsidy payments may be calculated accordingly, and it also provides that advances may be made out of subsidy payments payable in 1948 and 1949, and sets out the amounts which may be advanced, and the conditions under which advances may be made.

The Hill Sheep Scheme Subsidy Payment (England and Wales) Order, 1948

1948 No. 512

Made - - - -	*8th March*, 1948
Laid before Parliament	*15th March*, 1948
Coming into Operation	*24th March*, 1948

In pursuance of Section 14 (3) of the Hill Farming Act, 1946(**a**), the Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries with the approval of the Treasury hereby makes the following Order:—

1. Subject to the provisions of the Hill Sheep (England and Wales) Scheme, 1947(**b**) as varied by the Hill Sheep (England and Wales) Emergency Payments Scheme, 1948(**c**) the amount which may be paid by way of subsidy payment under that Scheme in respect of any ewe or shearling ewe in relation to the fourth day of December in the year 1947 shall be, if the ewe or shearling ewe is comprised in a standard rate flock, sixteen shillings, or if the ewe or shearling ewe is comprised in a reduced rate flock, eight shillings.

2. The Interpretation Act, 1889(**d**), applies to the interpretation of this Order as it applies to the interpretation of an Act of Parliament.

3. This Order may be cited as the Hill Sheep Scheme Subsidy Payment (England and Wales) Order, 1948, and shall come into operation on the 24th day of March, 1948.

In witness whereof the Official Seal of the Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries is hereunto affixed this 8th day of March, 1948.

T. Williams.

We approve,

(L.S.)

R. J. Taylor,
Wm. Hannan,
Two of the Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury.

(**a**) 9 & 10 Geo. 6. c. 73.
(**b**) S.R. & O. 1947 (No. 636) I, p. 39.
(**c**) S.I. 1948 No. 511, p. 50 above.
(**d**) 52 & 53 Vict. c. 63.

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.