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HORTICULTURE

Processing Licences

REGULATIONS, DATED 11TH DECEMBER 1970, MADE BY THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE UNDER SECTION 12 OF, AND THE SCHEDULE TO, THE HORTICULTURE ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND) 1966.

The Ministry of Agriculture in exercise of the powers conferred on it by Section 12 of, and the Schedule to, the Horticulture Act (Northern Ireland) 1966(a), and of every other power enabling it in that behalf, and after consultation with such organisations as appear to be representative of interests affected by these Regulations and after consultation with the Ministry of Health and Social Services regarding matters which may be dealt with by Regulations made under the Food and Drugs Act (Northern Ireland) 1958(b), and with approval of the Ministry of Finance as to the licence fee hereby makes the following Regulations:—

Citation and commencement

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Processing of Horticultural Produce (Licensing) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1970 and shall come into operation on the 1st day of January 1971.

Interpretation

2. In these Regulations, unless the context otherwise requires,

"the Act" means the Horticulture Act (Northern Ireland) 1966;

"horticultural produce" has the meaning ascribed to it by Section 10 of the Act;

"processing" has the meaning ascribed to it by Section 16 of the Act;

"Ministry" means the Ministry of Agriculture;

"licence" means a licence to process horticultural produce.

Licence

3.—(1) An application for a licence or for the renewal of a licence shall be in the form required by the Ministry.

(2) Subject to the provisions of the Schedule to the Act a licence shall remain valid to the date stated in the licence.

Fee with application

4.—(1) The fee for the issue of a licence solely for the carrying out of the process of peeling, trimming, washing or other preparation of horticultural produce for canning, bottling, drying or freezing, or the renewal of such licence shall be £5 and shall accompany the application for such licence or renewal of such licence.

(2) Subject to paragraph (1) the fee for a licence or the renewal of a licence shall be £25 and shall accompany the application for a licence or renewal of a licence.

(a) 1966. c. 15 (N.I.). (b) 1958. c. 27.

Conditions

5. A licence shall be issued and held subject to compliance by the licence holder with the conditions specified in the licence.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Ministry of Agriculture for Northern Ireland this 11th day of December 1970.

(L.S.) (Signed) *A. McKelvie,*
Assistant Secretary.

The Ministry of Finance hereby approves of the fees prescribed in Regulation 4.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Ministry of Finance for Northern Ireland this 11th day of December 1970.

(L.S.) (Signed) *C. F. Darling,*
Assistant Secretary.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

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

These Regulations—

(1) make provision regarding the issue or renewal of a licence required for the preparation for processing or the processing of horticultural produce;

(2) prescribe the fee for the issue or renewal of a licence required under the Regulations.