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AGRICULTURE

Seed Potatoes (Crop Fees) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1995

Made	*6th April 1995*
Coming into operation . .	*8th May 1995*

The Department of Agriculture, in exercise of the powers conferred on it by section 1(**a**) of the Seeds Act (Northern Ireland) 1965(**b**) and of all powers enabling it in that behalf, after consultation with representatives of such interests as appear to it to be concerned, hereby makes the following Regulations:

Citation, commencement and interpretation

1.—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the Seed Potatoes (Crop Fees) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1995 and shall come into operation on 8th May 1995.

(2) In these Regulations, "the Department" means the Department of Agriculture.

Fees

2. Every person who makes application to the Department for the certification of seed potato crops under regulation 5(1) of the Seed Potatoes Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1981(**c**) shall forward with that application the appropriate fee in accordance with the Schedule.

Revocation

3. The Seed Potatoes (Crop Fees) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1994(**d**) are hereby revoked.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of Agriculture on 6th April 1995.

(L.S.) *L. Sinclair*

Assistant Secretary

(**a**) As amended by S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1972 No. 351 Art. 3 and Sch. 3
(**b**) 1965 c. 22 (N.I.)
(**c**) S.R. 1981 No. 243 as amended by S.R. 1983 No. 244, S.R. 1985 No. 2, S.R. 1991 No. 397, S.R. 1993 No. 372 and S.R. 1994 No. 459
(**d**) S.R. 1994 No. 128

SCHEDULE Regulation 2

Fees for the certification of seed potato crops

Applications		*Fee*
1. In the case of an application received by the Department on or before 30th May in any calendar year—		
(*a*) where the total area of the crop does not exceed 1 hectare	...	£29·00
(*b*) where the total area of the crop exceeds 1 hectare	...	£14·50 per half hectare or part of a half hectare
2. In the case of an application received by the Department after 30th May in any calendar year—		
(*a*) where the total area of the crop does not exceed 1 hectare	...	£43·50
(*b*) where the total area of the crop exceeds 1 hectare	...	£21·75 per half hectare or part of a half hectare

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations.)

These Regulations increase the fees payable to the Department of Agriculture in respect of the certification of seed potato crops arising under the Seed Potatoes Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1981 (regulation 2 and the Schedule).

In the case of an application received by the Department on or before 30th May in any calendar year:—

(*a*) where the total area of the crop does not exceed 1 hectare the fee is increased from £28·00 to £29·00;

(*b*) where the total area of the crop exceeds 1 hectare the fee is increased from £14·00 to £14·50 per half hectare or part of a half hectare.

In the case of an application received by the Department after 30th May in any calendar year:—

(*a*) where the total area of the crop does not exceed 1 hectare the fee is increased from £42·00 to £43·50;

(*b*) where the total area of the crop exceeds 1 hectare the fee is increased from £21·00 to £21·75 per half hectare or part of a half hectare.

The Regulations also revoke the Seed Potatoes (Crop Fees) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1994 (regulation 3).