EXPLANATORY NOTE

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

The Agriculture (Silo Subsidies) Act, 1956, authorises the making of schemes for the payment of subsidies in respect of the carrying out of works for the construction or improvement of silos for the making and containing of silage. This scheme made by the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food applies to England and Wales and Northern Ireland and makes provisions for the payment of subsidies at the rates set out in the schedule to the scheme in respect of specified works of construction or improvement. The scheme requires that any works shall be approved by the Minister during the period commencing with 1st August, 1959, and ending with 31st July, 1962, and that the silos shall be able to contain at least 20 tons of silage, or 50 tons in the case of a tower silo, and that their construction shall conform with the requirements of good farming practice. It limits the amount which may be paid in subsidy in respect of works on any one farm to £250, of which sum not more than £125 may be paid in respect of the construction of new unroofed silos, and limits the amounts which may be paid in respect of certain works of improvement to existing silos. It also, in certain circumstances, reduces the maximum amounts payable under it where subsidies were, or will be, paid for similar works carried out under previous schemes on the same farm, and contains provisions relating to the obtaining of the Minister's approval of the works and other incidental matters.

1959 No. 1247 (S. 71)

The Silo Subsidies (Scotland) Scheme, 1959

Made - - - -	15*th July*, 1959
Coming into Operation	1*st August*, 1959

In exercise of the powers conferred on me by subsection (1) of section 1 of the Agriculture (Silo Subsidies) Act, 1956(**a**), and of all other powers enabling me in that behalf, with the approval of the Treasury, I, being the appropriate Minister in relation to a scheme under the said section 1 for Scotland, 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. This scheme may be cited as the Silo Subsidies (Scotland) Scheme, 1959.

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

"agricultural unit" has the meaning assigned to it by subsection (2) of section 86 of the Agriculture (Scotland) Act, 1948(**c**).

(a) 5 & 6 Eliz. 2. c. 5. (b) 52 & 53 Vict. c. 63. (c) 11 & 12 Geo. 6. c. 45.

"silo" means a pit, walled clamp, trench or tower for the making of silage from grass or fodder crops and for the containing of silage made from such crops.

3. Subject to the provisions of this scheme, where any works for the construction of a tower silo, or for the construction or improvement of any other kind of silo, being works of a kind and description specified in the schedule to this scheme, are approved by the Secretary of State within the period commencing on 1st August, 1959, and ending on 31st July, 1962, the Secretary of State may pay in respect of the carrying out of any works so approved to any person to whom payments may be made under this scheme subsidies at the rates specified in the schedule to this scheme, in relation to works of the kind and description so carried out.

4. Payment of subsidy may be made under this scheme in respect of any works to any person having an interest in the agricultural unit for the benefit of which the works were carried out who undertook the responsibility for carrying them out.

5.—(1) The following provisions of this paragraph shall have effect for the purpose of restricting the aggregate amount of the payments which may be made under this scheme in respect of works carried out thereunder on any one agricultural unit.

(2) Subject to sub-paragraph (4) of this paragraph, the aggregate amounts of the payments which may be made in respect of all works on the agricultural unit shall not exceed £250.

(3) Subject to sub-paragraph (4) as aforesaid, there may be paid in respect of the whole of the works within a class specified below in the first column not more than the amount set out in relation to that class of works in the second column.

Class of Works	*Maximum amount of subsidy*
Works in connection with the construction of a new roofed silo, being works lettered in the schedule to this scheme A. to K.	£250
Works in connection with the construction of a new tower silo, being works lettered in the schedule to this scheme L.	£250
Works in connection with the construction of a new unroofed silo (including a new silo constructed under an existing roof) or in connection with the improvement of any silo, being works lettered in the schedule to the scheme A. to F.	£125
Works in connection with the construction of a roof over an existing unroofed silo or in connection with the improvement of the roof of any existing silo or in connection with the improvement of an existing roof where a new silo is built thereunder, being works lettered in the schedule to this scheme G. to K. ...	£125

(4) Where any payments have been, or may fall to be made in respect of the unit under the Silo Subsidies (Scotland) Scheme, 1957(a), or under that scheme as varied by the Silo Subsidies (Variation) (Scotland) Scheme, 1958(b), the aggregate amount which may be paid under this scheme in

(a) S.I. 1957/328 (1957 I, p. 124). (b) S.I. 1958/300 (1958 I, p. 132).

respect of all works carried out on the agricultural unit, and the maximum amount which may be so paid in respect of works of a class specified in sub-paragraph (3) of this paragraph shall be reduced respectively by any payment made, or falling to be made under the scheme of 1957, or under that scheme as varied by the scheme of 1958, in respect of all works carried out on the unit, or in respect of works of that class, as the case may be.

6. Where a payment out of moneys provided by Parliament under any enactment other than an enactment contained in the Agriculture (Silo Subsidies) Act, 1956, is available in respect of works carried out by a person for which a subsidy may be paid under this scheme, the Secretary of State may take into consideration the amount available by virtue of such other enactment, and may reduce accordingly the amount payable to that person in respect of those works under this scheme.

7. No works for the construction or improvement of a silo on any agricultural unit shall be approved by the Secretary of State unless he is satisfied that the works will provide a suitable silo for the unit, that the construction or improvement of a silo on that unit will be in accordance with the requirements of good farming practice, and that efficient use is likely to be made of the silo.

8. No works shall be approved for the purpose of this scheme unless the silo after the completion of the works will be capable of containing, in the case of a tower silo at least 50 tons of silage or in the case of any other kind of silo, at least 20 tons of silage.

9. It shall be a condition of the making of a payment to any person under this scheme that that person—

(*a*) shall apply in writing, in such form and at such time as the Secretary of State may require, for the approval by the Secretary of State of any works he may propose to carry out;

(*b*) shall, before commencing the proposed works, have obtained the Secretary of State's approval of them, and shall obtain the consent of the Secretary of State in respect of any substantial modification of them;

(*c*) shall, within a reasonable period after the approval thereof by the Secretary of State as aforesaid, carry out and complete the proposed works to the satisfaction of the Secretary of State;

(*d*) shall give any person authorised by the Secretary of State in that behalf reasonable facilities to inspect any works, whether during or after construction, or the site of any proposed works;

(*e*) shall produce, if asked to do so, any plans, estimates, invoices, receipts or other documents relating to the works and shall give in respect of the works all other information which the Secretary of State may reasonably require for the purposes of the scheme.

(L.S.)

John S. Maclay,
One of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State.

St. Andrew's House,
Edinburgh, 1.
13th July, 1959.

We approve.

Martin Redmayne,
P. E. O. Bryan,
Two of the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury.

15th July, 1959.

SCHEDULE

Paragraph 3.

RATES OF SUBSIDY

	Kind of Works	Description of Works	Rate of Subsidy	Unit
			s. d.	
A	Earthworks	Excavation below, or building up above, ground level	3 6	per cubic yard
B	Drainage		2 6	per linear yard
C. 1	Sides	(*a*) Concrete in situ, concrete blocks or brickwork all reinforced as necessary.	25 0	per square yard of superficial area
C. 2		(*b*) Stonework	15 0	per square yard of superficial area
D. 1		(*c*) Precast slabs of reinforced concrete or other material approved by the Secretary of State.	18 0	per square yard of superficial area
D. 2		(*d*) Sleepers	9 0	per square yard of superficial area
E	Floor (including apron)	(*a*) Concrete (minimum 4 in. thick) including a prepared base	6 0	per square yard of superficial area
F		(*b*) Hardcore only (minimum 9 in. thick) or other material approved by the Secretary of State, provided that no subsidy shall be paid in respect of any area of apron exceeding 50 per cent. of the floor area of the silo or 50 square yards if this is greater.	2 0	per square yard of superficial area
	Roof	(*a*) Asbestos, steel, aluminium or other material approved by the Secretary of State with		
G		(i) stanchions of steel, concrete or sawn timber, or piers of brick or stone.	27 6	per square yard of superficial area covered at eaves level.
H		(ii) stanchions of timber in the rough or other material approved by the Secretary of State.	18 0	per square yard of superficial area covered at eaves level.
J		(*b*) Fixed roof without stanchions or piers; fixed roof with piers forming an integral part of the sides or walls; movable roof with roof framework.	10 0	per square yard of superficial area covered at eaves level.
K	Vertical Sheeting ...	Screening one or more sides or part of one side of a silo provided that the area of screening shall not exceed 120 square yards.	10 0	per square yard of superficial area
L	Tower Silo	Construction of new roofed silo, circular, hexagonal or octagonal in form, not less than 20 feet in height from floor to eaves, of materials approved by the Secretary of State.	25 0	per cubic yard of capacity

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1959 No. 1192

The Fertilisers (United Kingdom) Scheme, 1959

Laid before Parliament in draft
Made - - - - 7th July, 1959

The Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food and the Secretary of State, acting jointly, being the appropriate Ministers within the meaning of paragraph (*c*) of subsection (2) of section 6 of the Agriculture (Fertilisers) Act, 1952(a), in relation to a joint scheme for England and Wales, Scotland and Northern Ireland, in pursuance of section 1 of the said Act and of all other powers enabling them in that behalf, with the approval of the Treasury, hereby make the following scheme, of which a draft has been laid before Parliament and has been approved by resolution of each House of Parliament:—

1. This scheme, which may be cited as the Fertilisers (United Kingdom) Scheme, 1959, shall apply to England and Wales, Scotland and Northern Ireland.

2.—(1) In this scheme, unless the context otherwise requires:—

"the Act" means the Agriculture (Fertilisers) Act, 1952;

"agricultural land" means any land used as arable, meadow or pasture ground or for the purpose of poultry farming, market gardens, nursery grounds, orchards or allotments, including allotment gardens within the

(a) 15 & 16 Geo. 6 & 1 Eliz. 2. c. 15.