STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1964 No. 792 (S. 48)

AGRICULTURE

AGRICULTURAL GRANTS, GOODS AND SERVICES

The Winter Keep (Scotland) (Amendment) Scheme 1964

Laid before Parliament in draft

Made - - - -	*27th May* 1964
Coming into Operation	*27th May* 1964

In exercise of the powers conferred on me by sections 10 and 12 of the Agriculture (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1963(a) and of all other powers enabling me in that behalf, and with the approval of the Treasury, I 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:

Citation

1. This scheme may be cited as the Winter Keep (Scotland) (Amendment) Scheme 1964.

Amendment of 1963 *Scheme*

2. The Winter Keep (Scotland) Scheme 1963(b) shall be varied as follows:—

(*a*) in paragraph 2(1) for the definitions of "agricultural unit", "croft" and "eligible occupier" there shall be substituted respectively the following definitions—

"'agricultural unit' means land, other than land occupied by any person as a crofter or as an eligible occupier, which is occupied as a unit for agricultural purposes, together with any other land, including land held in common, used in connection with such land for the purpose of grazing;",

"'crofter' means a crofter within the meaning of the Crofters (Scotland) Acts 1955 and 1961(c);" and

"'eligible occupier' means a person who is for the time being an eligible occupier within the meaning of the Crofting Counties Agricultural Grants (Scotland) Scheme 1961(d) or the Crofting Counties Agricultural Grants (Scotland) Scheme 1963(e) and, except in the case of a person who is a subtenant as is mentioned in section 14(1)(*c*) of the Crofters (Scotland) Act 1961, who has been offered a grant under either of said Schemes;";

(a) 1963 c. 11.
(b) S.I. 1963/1024 (1963 II, p. 1722).
(c) 3 & 4 Eliz 2. c. 21 and 9 & 10 Eliz. 2. c. 58.
(d) S.I. 1961/2266 (1961 III, p. 3973).
(e) S.I. 1963/1294 (1963 II, p. 2240).

(*b*) immediately after paragraph 2(2) there shall be inserted the following subparagraph—

"(2A) Any reference in this scheme to any other scheme shall be construed as a reference to that scheme as amended by any subsequent scheme, and if any scheme referred to in this scheme is replaced by a subsequent scheme the reference shall be construed as a reference to that subsequent scheme.";

(*c*) in paragraph 8 subparagraphs (1) and (2) shall cease to have effect; and

(*d*) in Column 2 of Schedule 2 for the figures "£1 10s.", "£2 10s." and "£4" there shall be substituted respectively the figures "£2 10s.", "£3 10s." and "£5".

Michael Noble,
One of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State.

St. Andrew's House,
Edinburgh, 1.

25th May 1964.

We approve.

John Hill,
M. A. Hamilton,
Two of the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury.

27th May 1964.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

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

This Scheme amends the Winter Keep (Scotland) Scheme 1963, by increasing the annual rates of winter keep grant by £1 per acre, and by removing the ploughing grant disqualification, so that payment of ploughing grant no longer disqualifies the land for winter keep grant.

Amendments have also been made in the definitions of "agricultural unit", "croft" and "eligible occupier" to clarify the relationship between eligibility for winter keep grants and for grants available under crofting legislation.