## STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

## 2013 No. 3050

# PLANT HEALTH, ENGLAND

The Plant Health (Fees) (England) (Amendment) Regulations 2013

Made - - - - 4th December 2013

Laid before Parliament 9th December 2013

Coming into force - - 1st January 2014

The Secretary of State, with the consent of the Treasury, makes these Regulations in exercise of the powers conferred by section 56(1) of the Finance Act 1973(1).

## Citation and commencement

**1.** These Regulations may be cited as the Plant Health (Fees) (England) (Amendment) Regulations 2013 and come into force on 1st January 2014.

## Amendment of the Plant Health (Fees) (England) Regulations 2013

**2.** The Plant Health (Fees) (England) Regulations 2013(2) are amended in accordance with these Regulations.

## **Amendment of Schedule 1**

**3.** In Schedule 1, in column 3 of the entry relating to "Soil and growing medium, bark", for "1.89" substitute "1.98".

### **Substitution of Schedule 2**

4. For Schedule 2, substitute—

<sup>(1) 1973</sup> c. 51.

<sup>(2)</sup> S.I. 2013/494.

"SCHEDULE 2

Regulation 2(2)(a)(ii) and (3)(b)

## Import Inspection Fees: Reduced Rates

Column 1	Column 2	Column 3	Column 4	Column 5
Genus	Quantity	Country of origin	Fee for each consignment (daytime working hours)	Fee for each consignment (non-daytime working hours) (£)
Cut Flowers	20,000		1.40	0.00
Dianthus	up to 20,000 in number		1.48	2.23
		Ecuador	7.44	11.17
		Kenya	2.48	3.72
		Turkey	12.41	18.62
	each additional 1,000 or part thereof	Colombia	0.01, up to a maximum of 11.91	, 1
		Ecuador	0.05, up to a maximum of 59.59	, 1
		Kenya	0.02, up to a maximum of 19.87	, 1
		Turkey	0.10, up to a maximum of 99.36	, 1
Rosa	up to 20,000 in number	Colombia	1.43	2.14
		Ecuador	1.43	2.14
		Ethiopia	4.96	7.45
		Kenya	2.48	3.72
		Tanzania	7.44	11.17
		Zambia	12.41	18.62
	each additional 1,000 or part thereof	Colombia	0.01, up to a maximum of 11.89	, 1
		Ecuador	0.01, up to a maximum of 11.89	, 1
		Ethiopia	0.04, up to a maximum of 39.72	, 1

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Genus	Quantity	Country of origin	Fee for each consignment (daytime working hours)	Fee for each consignment (non-daytime working hours) (£)
		Kenya	0.02, up to a maximum of 19.87	0.03, up to a maximum of 29.80
		Tanzania		0.08, up to a maximum of 89.39
		Zambia	0.07, up to a maximum of 99.36	0.10, up to a maximum of 149.04
Branches wit	h foliage		I	
Phoenix	up to 100 kg	Costa Rica	17.35	26.03
	each additional 100 kg or part thereof	Costa Rica		2.56, up to a maximum of 208.57
Fruit				
Citrus	up to 25,000 kg	Egypt	7.45	11.17
		Israel	4.96	7.45
		Mexico	7.45	11.17
		Morocco	2.48	3.72
		Peru	7.44	11.17
		Tunisia	12.41	18.62
		Turkey	1.46	2.19
		Uruguay	7.45	11.17
		USA	7.45	11.17
	each additional	Egypt	0.28	0.42
	1,000 kg or part thereof	Israel	0.21	0.31
	VIII OI	Mexico	0.28	0.42
		Morocco	0.07	0.10
		Peru	0.29	0.44
		Tunisia	0.49	0.73
		Turkey	0.03	0.05
		Uruguay	0.28	0.42
		USA	0.28	0.42

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Genus	Quantity	Country of origin	Fee for each consignment (daytime working hours)	Fee for each consignment (non-daytime working hours) (£)
Malus	up to 25,000 kg	Argentina	12.41	18.62
		Brazil	12.41	18.62
		Chile	2.47	3.70
		New Zealand	4.96	7.45
		South Africa	2.47	3.70
		USA	24.83	37.25
	each additional	•	0.49	0.74
	1,000 kg or part thereof	Brazil	0.49	0.74
		Chile	0.07	0.10
		New Zealand	0.21	0.31
		South Africa	0.07	0.10
		USA	0.99	1.48
Mangifera	up to 25,000 kg	Brazil	24.83	37.25
	each additional 1,000 kg or part thereof	Brazil	0.99	1.48
Passiflora	up to 25,000 kg	Colombia	4.96	7.45
		Kenya	4.96	7.45
		South Africa	17.38	26.07
		Zimbabwe	37.24	55.87
	each additional 1,000 kg or part thereof	Colombia	0.17	0.26
		Kenya	0.17	0.26
		South Africa	0.69	1.03
		Zimbabwe	1.48	2.22
Prunus	up to 25,000 kg	Argentina	24.83	37.25
		Chile	4.96	7.45
		Morocco	24.83	37.25
		South Africa	4.96	7.45
		Turkey	7.44	11.17
		USA	7.44	11.17

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Genus	Quantity	Country of origin	Fee for each consignment (daytime working hours)	Fee for each consignment (non-daytime working hours)
	each additional 1,000 kg or part thereof	Argentina	0.97	1.46
		Chile	0.17	0.26
		Morocco	0.97	1.46
		South Africa	0.17	0.26
		Turkey	0.29	0.44
		USA	0.29	0.44
Pyrus	up to 25,000 kg	Argentina	4.96	7.45
		Chile	12.41	18.62
		China	24.83	37.25
		South Africa	4.96	7.45
	each additional	Argentina	0.17	0.26
	1,000 kg or part thereof	Chile	0.49	0.73
		China	0.97	1.46
		South Africa	0.17	0.26
Vaccinium	up to 25,000 kg	Argentina	11.74	17.61
	each additional 1,000 kg or part thereof	Argentina	0.47	0.71
Vegetables			1	1
Momordica	up to 25,000 kg	Surinam	17.38	26.07
	each additional 1,000 kg or part thereof	Surinam	0.69	1.03
Solanum melongena	up to 25,000 kg	Kenya	4.96	7.45
		Turkey	4.96	7.45
	each additional 1,000 kg or part thereof		0.17	0.26
		Turkey	0.17	0.26".

Status: This is the original version (as it was originally made).

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Parliamentary Under Secretary of State
Department for Environment, Food and Rural
Affairs

28th November 2013

We consent

Mark Lancaster
Anne Milton
Two of the Lords Commissioners of Her
Majesty's Treasury

4th December 2013

#### **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations amend the Plant Health (Fees) (England) Regulations 2013 (S.I. 2013/494) ("the principal Regulations").

The principal Regulations implement Article 13d of Council Directive 2000/29/EC on protective measures against the introduction into the Community of organisms harmful to plants or plant products and against their spread within the Community (OJNo. 169, 10.7.2000, p. 1) ("the Directive") which requires Member States to charge fees to cover the costs of documentary, identity and plant health checks of certain imports of plants, plant products and other objects from third countries set out in Annex V, Part B of the Directive.

Schedule 2 to the principal Regulations sets out reduced rate fees for certain plants and plant products subject to reduced frequency inspections agreed under the procedure provided for in Articles 13d(2) and 18(2) of the Directive. Regulation 4 of these Regulations substitutes a new Schedule 2 to give effect to the latest agreement by the EU Standing Committee on Plant Health in respect of reduced rate fees.

The inspection rates for the following have increased with matching increases in fees: *Dianthus* from Ecuador (from 10% to 15%); *Rosa* from Tanzania (from 10% to 15%); *Malus* from Argentina and the USA (from 10% to 25% and 35% to 50% respectively); and *Passiflora* from Zimbabwe (from 50% to 75%).

Aster from Zimbabwe and Rosa from Uganda are no longer eligible for reduced rate fees since these are subject to 100% inspection frequency. Accordingly, they are removed from Schedule 2 and the fees in Schedule 1 to the principal Regulations are applied for these consignments.

The inspection rates for the following have decreased with matching decreases in fees: *Dianthus* from Colombia (from 5% to 3%); *Citrus* from Peru (from 25% to 15%); *Passiflora* from South Africa (from 50% to 35%); and *Momordica* from Surinam (from 50% to 35%).

*Mangifera* from Brazil is newly eligible for reduced rate fees corresponding to its decreased inspection rate from 100% to 50% and is accordingly added to Schedule 2.

Regulation 3 corrects an error in one of the 100% inspection level fees specified in Schedule 1.

An impact assessment has not been produced for this instrument as no or no significant impact on the private or voluntary sectors is foreseen and they implement annual changes in fees in line with a predetermined level rather than fundamental changes to the regulatory regime itself.