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### Grassland (Amendment) Scheme (Northern Ireland) 1986

Made	•	•	•	•	•	•	1st August 1986
Coming into operation						•	2nd August 1986

The Department of Agriculture in exercise of the powers conferred on it by section 6(1) of the Agriculture Act (Northern Ireland) 1949(a) and of every other power enabling it in that behalf, with the approval of the Department of Finance and Personnel(b) hereby makes the following Scheme:

## Citation and commencement

1. This Scheme may be cited as the Grassland (Amendment) Scheme (Northern Ireland) 1986 and shall come into operation on 2nd August 1986

### Amendment of the Grassland Scheme (Northern Ireland) 1986

2. The Grassland Scheme (Northern Ireland) 1986(c) shall be amended as follows—

- (a) in Article 2—
  - (i) after the definition of "the Department" there shall be inserted the following definition—
    - " "designated map" means the map marked "map of less favoured farming areas in Northern Ireland", dated 4th April 1984, signed by the Secretary of State and deposited at the office of the Department at Dundonald House, Upper Newtownards Road, Belfast, BT4 3SB;"
  - (ii) for the definition of 'less favoured areas'', there shall be substituted the following definitions—
    - " "less favoured area" means land which is situated in an area included in the list of less favoured farming areas adopted by the Council or the Commission of the European Communities under Article 2 of Council Directive No. 75/268/EEC(d) on mountain and hill farming and farming in certain less favoured areas which land is within the area shaded blue or shaded pink on the designated map;

"severely disadvantaged area" means a less favoured area which is within the area shaded pink on the designated map;"

(b) for Article 3 there shall be substituted—

### "Application of Scheme

3. Claims may be made under this Scheme which relate to any area of Northern Ireland except insofar as it has been designated a severely disadvantaged area.";

(c) S.R. 1986 No. 113

<sup>(</sup>a) 1949 c. 2 (N.I.)

<sup>(</sup>b) Formerly the Department of Finance: see S.I. 1982/338 (N.I. 6) Art. 3

<sup>(</sup>d) O.J. No. L128, 19 May 1975, p. 1; Article 2 was amended by Council Directive No. 80/666/EEC (O.J. No. L180, 14 July 1980, p. 34)

- (c) after Article 5 there shall be inserted—
  - "Less favoured areas

5A. The Department shall not pay grant under Article 5(a) or (c) on expenditure which relates to a less favoured area.";

(d) after Article 9 there shall be inserted—

"Notification of area and limit

**9A.**—(1) Before incurring expenditure upon which it is intended to claim grant a person shall notify the Department in writing of the area of land in respect of which grant is to be claimed.

(2) The area of land in respect of which the Department may pay grant under this Scheme shall not exceed 7 hectares in respect of any agricultural business.

(3) This Article shall not apply to work commenced before 2nd August 1986.";

- (e) for Schedule 2 there shall be substituted the Schedule.
- Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of Agriculture on 1st August 1986.

(L.S.)

N. E. Morrison

Assistant Secretary

- The Department of Finance and Personnel hereby approves the foregoing Scheme.
- Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of Finance and Personnel on 1st August 1986.

(L.S.)

# R. G. Smartt

Assistant Secretary

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Article 2(e)

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Article 8

# DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE FOR NORTHERN IRELAND

# Grassland Scheme (Northern Ireland) 1986 Claim for Grant

	FOR OFFICI	AL USE
Ref. No.	1	/AIS
Ref. No.	1	/AHD

Number of hectares included in claim

Part I

Column 1	Column 2	Column 3	
Items on which grant is claimed	Tick whichever applies		
	Actual Costs	Standard Costs	
Reseeding and regeneration of grassland			

## Part II

I have read and understand the Explanatory leaflet GS2A and have complied fully with the conditions of grant applicable to this claim.

I declare:

- (1) that the work included in this claim was commenced on \_\_\_\_\_\_1986.
- (2) the earned income per labour unit from my agricultural business does not exceed the reference income laid down in the Scheme;
- (3) that the particulars and information given in connection with this claim are correct to the best of my knowledge and belief and accordingly I CLAIM GRASSLAND SCHEME GRANT on the expenditure incurred as indicated above at Part I on the item of work specified in Column 1.

Signature:		
Address:	Date:	•••
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RECOMMENDED	Date:	••

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## EXPLANATORY NOTE

### (This note is not part of the Scheme.)

This Scheme amends the Grassland Scheme (Northern Ireland) 1986 by providing that claims made under that Scheme may relate to land in any area of Northern Ireland outside a severely disadvantaged area. Previously claims could not be made in respect of land in any less favoured area.

The Scheme provides that grant shall not be paid on expenditure relating to land in a less favoured area where grant is payable under the Agriculture Improvement Regulations 1985(a) or the Agriculture and Horticulture Development Regulations 1980(b).

This Scheme also imposes requirements as to the notification of the area of land in respect of which grant is to be claimed and provides that the payment of grant will be limited to 7 hectares for each agricultural business. These provisions do not apply in respect of work commenced before the coming into operation of this Scheme. Provision is also made for the substitution of a revised form for the claiming of grant to take account of the aforementioned changes in Scheme conditions.

Copy maps showing the areas designated as less favoured areas and severely disadvantaged areas are available for inspection at any reasonable hour at any County Agricultural Executive Office of the Department. Claims forms and explanatory leaflets can also be obtained from these locations.

# (a) S.I. 1985/1266

<sup>(</sup>b) S.I. 1980/1298 as amended by S.I. 1981/1708; S.I. 1983/508; S.I. 1983/924; S.I. 1983/1763; S.I. 1984/618; S.I. 1984/1922; S.I. 1985/1025