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SEEDS

Cereal Seeds (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1988

The Department of Agriculture, in exercise of the powers conferred on it by sections 1(a), 4 and 9 of the Seeds Act (Northern Ireland) 1965(b), and of every other power enabling it in that behalf, and after consultation with representatives of such interests as appear to it to be concerned, hereby makes the following Regulations:

Citation and commencement

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Cereal Seeds (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1988 and shall come into operation on 7th October 1988.

Amendment of the Cereal Seeds Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1976

2. For Part II of Schedule 3 to the Cereal Seeds Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1976(c) there shall be substituted the following:—

"PART II

Maximum weight of a seed lot and minimum weight of a submitted sample

The maximum weight of a seed lot shall be as indicated below (or a weight which does not exceed that indicated below by more than 5 per cent) and the minimum weight of a submitted sample shall be as indicated below:—

- (a) The maximum weight of a seed lot shall be 40 tonnes for maize and 25 tonnes for other kinds. The maximum weight of a seed lot of a mixture of seeds to which regulation 5(2)(a) applies shall be 25 tonnes.
- (b) The minimum weight of a submitted sample shall be 3 kg or, for inbred lines of maize, 250 g.
- (c) The minimum weight of a submitted sample for a moisture test shall be 100 g.".

⁽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. 1976 No. 300 as amended by S.R. 1979 No. 419.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of Agriculture on 1st September 1988.

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EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations.)

These Regulations, which amend the Cereal Seeds Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1976, implement article 3 of Commission Directive 87/120/EEC (O.J. No. L49, 18.2.87, p. 42) in so far as it amends Annex III of Council Directive 66/402/EEC (O.J. No. 125, 11.7.66, p. 2309/66) (O.J./S.E. 1965-66 p. 143) (as amended) on the marketing of cereal seeds by providing (1) that the maximum weight of a seed lot, set out in that Annex, from which a sample is to be drawn for certification shall not be exceeded by more than 5% and (2) that the maximum weight of such a seed lot (other than maize) shall be 25 tonnes.