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AGRICULTURE

Seed Potatoes (Crop Fees) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1994

Made 29th March 1994

Coming into operation 2nd May 1994

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

Citation, commencement and interpretation

1.—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the Seed Potatoes (Crop Fees) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1994 and shall come into operation on 2nd May 1994.

(2) In these Regulations, “the Department” means the Department of Agriculture.

Fees

2.—(1) Subject to paragraph (2) every person who makes application to the Department for the certification of seed potato crops under regulation 5(1) of the Seed Potatoes Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1981(c) shall forward with that application the appropriate fee in accordance with the Schedule.

(2) For the purposes of determining the fee payable under paragraph (1) an application received by the Department after 19th May in any calendar year shall be treated as if it had been received on or before that date, where, in the opinion of the Department general weather conditions in Northern Ireland were unfavourable for the planting of seed potato crops before that date.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of Agriculture on 29th March 1994.

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Assistant Secretary

(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. 1981 No. 243 as amended by S.R. 1983 No. 244, S.R. 1985 No. 2, S.R. 1991 No. 397 and S.R. 1993 No. 372

Fees for the certification of seed potato crops

<i>Applications</i>	<i>Fee</i>
1. In the case of an application received by the Department on or before 19th May in any calendar year—	
(a) where the total area of the crop does not exceed 1 hectare	... £28.00
(b) where the total area of the crop exceeds 1 hectare	£14.00 per half hectare or part of a half hectare
2. In the case of an application received by the Department after 19th May in any calendar year—	
(a) where the total area of the crop does not exceed 1 hectare	... £42.00
(b) where the total area of the crop exceeds 1 hectare	£21.00 per half hectare or part of a half hectare

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations.)

These Regulations set out the fees payable to the Department of Agriculture in respect of the certification of seed potato crops arising under the Seed Potatoes Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1981 (regulation 2(1) and the Schedule).

In the case of an application received by the Department on or before 19th May in any calendar year:

- (a) where the total area of the crop does not exceed 1 hectare the fee is £28·00;
- (b) where the total area of the crop exceeds 1 hectare the fee is £14·00 per half hectare or part of a half hectare.

In the case of an application received by the Department after 19th May in any calendar year:

- (a) where the total area of the crop does not exceed 1 hectare the fee is £42·00;
- (b) where the total area of the crop exceeds 1 hectare the fee is £21·00 per half hectare or part of a half hectare.

The Regulations also provide that where in the opinion of the Department general weather conditions in Northern Ireland were unfavourable to the planting of seed potatoes before 19th May the fees payable will be the same as if the application had been received by the Department before that date (regulation 2(2)).