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STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

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**Transmissible Spongiform Encephalopathy  
Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2002**

**PART III**

**ANIMAL FEEDING**

*Mammalian protein and mammalian meat and bone meal*

**Mammalian meat and bone meal for use in fertilisers on agricultural land**

**13.**—(1) A person shall not sell or have in his possession with a view to sale for use as a fertiliser on agricultural land, any mammalian meat and bone meal or any material derived from or containing any mammalian meat and bone meal to any extent.

(2) A person shall not use on agricultural land as a fertiliser any mammalian meat and bone meal or any material derived from or containing any mammalian meat and bone meal to any extent.

(3) Subject to paragraph (4), a person shall not –

- (a) sell or have in his possession with a view to sale for use as a fertiliser on any land other than agricultural land; or
- (b) use as a fertiliser on any such land,

any mammalian meat and bone meal or any material derived from or containing any mammalian meat and bone meal unless the mammalian meat and bone meal concerned was manufactured in accordance with paragraph (5).

(4) Nothing in paragraph (3) shall prevent –

- (a) the sale for use on any land other than agricultural land;
- (b) the possession with a view to such sale; or
- (c) the use on any such land,

of any fertiliser consisting solely of mammalian meat and bone meal or derived from or containing mammalian meat and bone meal if that mammalian meat and bone meal was manufactured before 6th July 1998, the date of coming into operation of the Fertilisers (Mammalian Meat and Bone Meal) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1998<sup>(1)</sup>, and the contract for its purchase by the manufacturer of that fertiliser was made before that date.

(5) A person shall not manufacture mammalian meat and bone meal for use as or in any fertiliser except by a rendering process in which –

- (a) the particle size of the raw material prior to processing is reduced so that no particle exceeds the maximum dimension of 50 mm; and

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- (b) the material is heated to a core temperature of more than 133°C for at least 20 minutes at a pressure of at least 3 bar.
- (6) In this regulation –
  - (a) mammalian meat and bone meal does not include any mammalian meat and bone meal derived solely from blood; and
  - (b) the references to the mammalian meat and bone meal being “manufactured” are references to the rendering process by which the mammalian meat and bone meal concerned was derived.