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AGRICULTURE

**Seed Potatoes (Crop Fees) Regulations
(Northern Ireland) 2004**

Made - - - - - *16th April 2004*

Coming into operation *7th May 2004*

The Department of Agriculture and Rural Development^(a), in exercise of the powers conferred on it by section 1 of the Seeds Act (Northern Ireland) 1965^(b) and of every other power 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) 2004 and shall come into operation on 7th May 2004.

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

Fees

2. Every person who makes an application to the Department for the certification of seed potato crops under regulation 8(1) of the Seed Potatoes Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2001^(c) shall forward with that application the appropriate fee in accordance with the Schedule.

Revocation

3. The Seed Potatoes (Crop Fees) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2002^(d) are hereby revoked.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of Agriculture and Rural Development on 16th April 2004.

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(a) Formerly the Department of Agriculture for Northern Ireland. *See* S.I. 1999/283 (N.I. 1) Art. 3(4)
(b) 1965 c. 22 (N.I.) as amended by S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1972 No. 351 Art.3 and Schedule 3
(c) S.R. 2001 No. 188
(d) S.R. 2002 No. 169

SCHEDULE

Regulation 2

FEES FOR THE CERTIFICATION OF SEED POTATO CROPS

<i>Application</i>	<i>Fee</i>
1. In the case of an application received by the Department on or before 30th May in any calendar year –	
(a) where the total area of the crop does not exceed 1 hectare	... £38.50
(b) where the total area of the crop exceeds 1 hectare	... £19.25 per half hectare or part of a half hectare
2. In the case of an application received by the Department after 30th May in any calendar year –	
(a) where the total area of the crop does not exceed 1 hectare	... £57.75
(b) where the total area of the crop exceeds 1 hectare	... £28.88 per half hectare or part of a half hectare

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations.)

These Regulations increase the fees payable to the Department of Agriculture and Rural Development in respect of the certification of seed potato crops arising under the Seed Potatoes Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2001 (regulation 2 and Schedule).

In the case of an application received by the Department on or before the 30th May in any calendar year:

- (a) where the total area of the crop does not exceed 1 hectare the fee is increased from £33·00 to £38·50;
- (b) where the total area of the crop exceeds 1 hectare the fee is increased from £16·50 to £19·25 per half hectare or part of a half hectare.

In the case of an application received by the Department after 30th May in any calendar year:

- (a) where the total area of the crop does not exceed 1 hectare the fee is increased from £49·50 to £57·75;
- (b) where the total area of the crop exceeds 1 hectare the fee is increased from £24·75 to £28·88 per half hectare or part of a half hectare.

The Regulations also revoke the Seed Potatoes (Crop Fees) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2002 (regulation 3).

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