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SCOTTISH STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**2001 No. 28**

**The Environmentally Sensitive Areas (Machair of the Uists and Benbecula, Barra and Watersay) Designation Amendment Order 2001**

**Citation, commencement and interpretation**

1.—(1) This Order may be cited as the Environmentally Sensitive Areas (Machair of the Uists and Benbecula, Barra and Watersay) Designation Amendment Order 2001 and shall come into force on 8th March 2001.

(2) In this Order “the principal Order” means the Environmentally Sensitive Areas (Machair of the Uists and Benbecula, Barra and Watersay) Designation Order 1993(1).

**Amendment of the principal Order**

2.—(1) In article 8(a) of the principal Order(2)—

(a) for “15th August 1996” there shall be substituted “8th March 2001”; and

(b) for the figure “£20,000” there shall be substituted the figure “£30,000”.

(2) For article 8(b) of the principal Order there shall be substituted—

“(b) in the case of an agreement entered into before that date, up to a maximum rate of £30,000 for a 5 year conservation plan included in such agreement which agreement had commenced but which had not ended before that date.”.

3.—(1) In article 9(a) of the principal Order(3)—

(a) for “15th August 1996” there shall be substituted “8th March 2001”; and

(b) for the figure “£60,000” there shall be substituted the figure “£75,000”.

(2) For article 9(b) of the principal Order there shall be substituted—

“(b) in the case of an agreement entered into before that date, up to a maximum rate of £75,000 for a 5 year conservation plan included in such agreement which agreement had commenced but which had not ended before that date.”.

4.—(1) Part I of the Schedule to the principal Order shall be amended as follows:—

(a) after paragraph 7(c)(4) there shall be inserted—

“(ca) where measures under sub paragraph (c) above are included in an agreement, and if the crofter or farmer so wishes, the provision by that person of an additional area for early and late cover for birds subject as follows:—

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(1) S.I.1993/3149; amended by S.I. 1994/3067,1996/1962 and  
(2) Article 8 was amended by S.I. 1996/1962, artic  
(3) Article 9 was amended by S.I. 1996/1962, artic  
(4) Paragraph 7(c) was substituted by S.I. 1996/1962, article 7(1

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- (i) grazing is prohibited between 28th February and 30th September except with the prior written consent of the Scottish Ministers;
- (ii) grazing at times other than those specified in sub paragraph (i) above will not exceed 0.3 livestock units per hectare except with the prior written consent of the Scottish Ministers;
- (iv) cutting is prohibited except with the prior written consent of the Scottish Ministers;
- (v) hay and silage are cut in a method that causes minimal damage to young birds;” and

(b) in paragraph 7(h)(5) there shall be inserted after the word “restore” the words “or create”.

(2) In paragraph 7(b)(v)(6) of Part II of the Schedule to the principal Order after the word “restore” there shall be inserted the words “or create”.

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(5) Paragraph 7(h) was inserted by S.I. 1996/1962, article 7(1)  
(6) Paragraph 7(b)(v) was substituted by S.I. 1996/1962, article 7(1)(d)