

**2017 No. 6**

**PLANT HEALTH**

**The Plant Health (Import Inspection Fees) (Scotland)  
Amendment Regulations 2017**

<i>Made</i>	- - - -	<i>11th January 2017</i>
<i>Laid before the Scottish Parliament</i>		<i>13th January 2017</i>
<i>Coming into force</i>	- -	<i>11th February 2017</i>

The Scottish Ministers make the following Regulations in exercise of the powers conferred by section 56(1) and (2) of the Finance Act 1973(a) and all other powers enabling them to do so.

**Citation, commencement and extent**

**1.**—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the Plant Health (Import Inspection Fees) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2017 and come into force on 11th February 2017.

(2) These Regulations extend to Scotland only.

**Amendment of the Plant Health (Import Inspection Fees) (Scotland) Regulations 2014**

**2.** In the Plant Health (Import Inspection Fees) (Scotland) Regulations 2014(b), for schedule 2 (import inspection fees for applicable checks (reduced rates)), substitute—

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(a) 1973 c.51. The reference to a Government department in section 56(1) is to be read as a reference to the Scottish Administration by virtue of article 2(2) of the Scotland Act (Consequential Modifications) (No. 2) Order 1999 (S.I. 1999/1820) and the functions of the Minister transferred to the Scottish Ministers by virtue of section 53 of the Scotland Act 1998 (c.46). The requirement to obtain the consent of the Treasury was removed by section 55 of the Scotland Act 1998.

(b) S.S.I. 2014/338, as amended by S.S.I. 2015/392.

“SCHEDULE 2

Regulations 3 and 4(2)

IMPORT INSPECTION FEES FOR APPLICABLE CHECKS  
(REDUCED RATES)

<i>Item</i>	<i>Plants/plant products</i>	<i>Quantity</i>	<i>Country of Origin</i>	<i>Fees(*)</i>	
				<i>Normal working hours</i>	<i>Outside normal working hours</i>
<b>Cut Flowers</b>	<i>Aster</i>	up to 20,000 in number	Zimbabwe	£37.50	£57.00
		for each additional 1,000 units		£0.15	£0.23
		maximum price		£132.00	£246.00
	<i>Dianthus</i>	up to 20,000 in number	Columbia	£24.60	£31.10
			Ecuador, Turkey	£26.70	£35.40
			Kenya	£24.90	£31.80
		for each additional 1,000 units	Columbia	£0.01	£0.01
			Ecuador, Turkey	£0.03	£0.05
			Kenya	£0.01	£0.02
		maximum price	Columbia	£28.40	£38.70
			Ecuador, Turkey	£45.60	£73.20
			Kenya	£31.20	£44.40
	<i>Phoenix</i>	up to 20,000 in number	Costa Rica	£30.30	£42.60
		for each additional 1,000 units		£0.07	£0.11
		maximum price		£74.40	£130.80
	<i>Rosa</i>	up to 20,000 in number	Columbia, Ecuador	£24.60	£31.10
			Ethiopia, Kenya	£24.90	£31.80
			Tanzania	£26.70	£35.40
			Zambia	£25.80	£33.60
		for each additional 1,000 units	Columbia, Ecuador	£0.01	£0.01
			Ethiopia, Kenya	£0.01	£0.02
Tanzania			£0.03	£0.05	
Zambia			£0.02	£0.03	

		maximum price	Columbia, Ecuador	£28.40	£38.70
			Ethiopia, Kenya	£31.20	£44.40
			Tanzania	£45.60	£73.20
			Zambia	£38.40	£58.80
<b>Fruit</b>	<i>Citrus</i>	up to 25,000kg in weight	Egypt	£28.50	£39.00
			Israel, Peru	£25.80	£33.60
			Morocco	£24.90	£31.80
			Turkey	£24.60	£31.10
			USA	£26.70	£35.40
		for each additional 1,000kg	Egypt	£0.20	£0.38
			Israel, Peru	£0.08	£0.15
			Morocco	£0.04	£0.08
			Turkey	£0.03	£0.05
			USA	£0.12	£0.23
	<i>Malus</i>	up to 25,000kg in weight	Argentina	£30.30	£42.60
			Brazil	£28.50	£39.00
			Chile, South Africa	£24.90	£31.80
			New Zealand	£25.80	£33.60
			USA	£37.50	£57.00
		for each additional 1,000kg	Argentina	£0.28	£0.53
			Brazil	£0.20	£0.38
			Chile, South Africa	£0.04	£0.08
			New Zealand	£0.08	£0.15
			USA	£0.60	£1.13
<i>Passiflora</i>	up to 25,000kg in weight	Columbia	£25.30	£32.60	
		Kenya	£28.50	£39.00	
		South Africa, Vietnam	£30.30	£42.60	
		Zimbabwe	£37.50	£57.00	
	for each additional 1,000kg	Columbia	£0.06	£0.11	
		Kenya	£0.20	£0.38	
		South Africa, Vietnam	£0.28	£0.53	
		Zimbabwe	£0.60	£1.13	
<i>Prunus</i>	up to 25,000kg in weight	Argentina	£37.50	£57.00	
		Chile, South Africa, Turkey	£25.80	£33.60	
		Morocco, USA	£28.50	£39.00	

		for each additional 1,000kg	Argentina	£0.60	£1.13	
			Chile, South Africa, Turkey	£0.08	£0.15	
			Morocco, USA	£0.20	£0.38	
	<i>Pyrus</i>	up to 25,000kg in weight		Argentina, South Africa	£25.80	£33.60
				Chile	£26.70	£35.40
				China	£37.50	£57.00
		for each additional 1,000kg		Argentina, South Africa	£0.08	£0.15
				Chile	£0.12	£0.23
				China	£0.60	£1.13
	<i>Vaccinium</i>	up to 25,000kg in weight	Argentina		£28.50	£39.00
		for each additional 1,000kg			£0.20	£0.38
	<b>Vegetables</b>	<i>Capsicum</i>	up to 25,000kg in weight	Israel	£25.80	£33.60
Morocco				£24.90	£31.80	
for each additional 1,000kg			Israel	£0.08	£0.15	
			Morocco	£0.04	£0.08	
<i>Momordica</i>		up to 25,000kg in weight	Surinam		£30.30	£42.60
		for each additional 1,000kg			£0.28	£0.53
<i>Solanum melongena</i>		up to 25,000kg in weight	Kenya	£25.80	£33.60	
			Turkey	£24.90	£31.80	
		for each additional 1,000kg	Kenya	£0.08	£0.15	
			Turkey	£0.04	£0.08	

(\*) Fee includes a documentary check and an identity check.

Note: fees are rounded up to the nearest decimal point, with the exception of the additional quantity values, which are rounded up to the nearest penny.”.

### Revocation

3. Regulation 2(a) of the Plant Health (Import Inspection Fees) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2015(a) is revoked.

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A member of the Scottish Government

St Andrew's House,  
Edinburgh  
11th January 2017

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(a) S.S.I. 2015/392.

## EXPLANATORY NOTE

*(This note is not part of the Regulations)*

These Regulations amend the Plant Health (Import Inspection Fees) (Scotland) Regulations 2014 (“the principal Regulations”).

Article 13d of Council Directive 2000/29/EC (OJ L 169, 10.7.2000, p.1) (“the Directive”) requires a member State to ensure the collection of fees to cover the costs occasioned by the documentary checks, identity checks and plant health checks of certain imports of plants, plant products and other objects from third countries which are required by Article 13a(1) of the Directive. Pursuant to Article 2 of Commission Regulation (EC) 1756/2004 (OJ L 313, 12.10.2004, p.6), the European Commission notifies member States of plants and plant products which should be subject to reduced inspection and of the rate of such inspection. Regulation 2 substitutes schedule 2 of the principal Regulations to take account of the most recent Commission Notification on reduced inspection rates, available at:

[http://ec.europa.eu/food/plant/plant\\_health\\_biosecurity/non\\_eu\\_trade/less\\_frequent\\_checks\\_en](http://ec.europa.eu/food/plant/plant_health_biosecurity/non_eu_trade/less_frequent_checks_en).

The Table provides a comparison of changes made to the fees in schedule 2 of the principal Regulations:

**TABLE**  
**Schedule 2**

<i>Genus</i>	<i>Country of origin</i>	<i>Previous rate of inspection</i>	<i>Previous fee<sup>(1)</sup></i>	<i>New rate of inspection</i>	<i>New fee, specified in Schedule 2</i>
<b>Cut Flowers</b>					
<i>Aster</i>	Zimbabwe	100%	£42.00	75%	£37.50
<i>Dianthus</i>	Kenya	10%	£25.80	5%	£24.90
<i>Dianthus</i>	Turkey	25%	£28.50	15%	£26.70
<i>Rosa</i>	Zambia	15%	£26.70	10%	£25.80
<b>Fruit</b>					
<i>Citrus</i>	Egypt	15%	£26.70	25%	£28.50
<i>Citrus</i>	Mexico	10%	£25.80	100% <sup>(2)</sup>	-
<i>Citrus</i>	Tunisia	50%	£33.00	100% <sup>(2)</sup>	-
<i>Malus</i>	Argentina	25%	£28.50	35%	£30.30
<i>Malus</i>	USA	50%	£33.00	75%	£37.50
<i>Passiflora</i>	Colombia	10%	£25.80	7%	£25.26
<i>Passiflora</i>	Kenya	15%	£26.70	25%	£28.50
<i>Passiflora</i>	Vietnam	100%	£42.00	35%	£30.30
<i>Prunus</i>	Morocco	50%	£33.00	25%	£28.50
<i>Prunus</i>	USA	50%	£33.00	25%	£28.50
<b>Vegetables</b>					
<i>Capsicum</i>	Israel	5%	£24.90	10%	£25.80
<i>Momordica</i>	Surinam	25%	£28.50	35%	£30.30
<i>Solanum melongena</i>	Turkey	10%	£25.80	5%	£24.90

<sup>(1)</sup> Initial fee per consignment for cut flowers (up to 20,000 in number) and fruit and vegetables (up to 25,000 kg in weight). Corresponding fees are set in the principal Regulations for additional quantities, maximum price per consignment and inspections carried out outside normal working hours.

<sup>(2)</sup> Consignments subject to an inspection rate of 100% are excluded from the reduced rate inspection scheme and are subject to the import inspection fees specified in schedule 1 of the principal Regulations.

Regulation 3 revokes regulation 2(a) of the Plant Health (Import Inspection Fees) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2015.

No business and regulatory impact assessment has been prepared for this instrument as it has limited impact on the cost of business.

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