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**The Hill Farming (Cottages) (Northern Ireland) (Amendment)
Regulations 1973**

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| <i>Made</i> | - - - | <i>22nd May 1973</i> |
| <i>Laid before Parliament</i> | | <i>6th June 1973</i> |
| <i>Coming into Operation</i> | | <i>2nd July 1973</i> |

The Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food, in exercise of the powers conferred on him by section 10 of the Hill Farming Act 1946(a), as amended by section 1 of the Hill Farming Act 1954(b), and of all his other enabling powers, hereby makes the following regulations:—

Citation, extent, commencement and interpretation

1.—(1) These regulations, which may be cited as the Hill Farming (Cottages) (Northern Ireland) (Amendment) Regulations 1973, apply to Northern Ireland, and shall come into operation on 2nd July 1973.

(2) These regulations shall be construed as one with the Hill Farming (Cottages) (Northern Ireland) Regulations 1954(c), hereinafter referred to as the “principal regulations”.

Amendment of principal regulations

2. Regulation 3(a) of the principal regulations (which specifies the persons who may occupy a cottage in respect of which an improvement grant has been made) shall be amended by adding after subparagraph (iv) thereof the following subparagraph:—

“(v) a person who occupies the cottage, in circumstances which do not give rise to a statutory restriction on the owner’s right to recover possession, during any part of a period in respect of which the Minister has given his consent to the cottage being occupied in that manner.”

Application of regulations

3. These regulations shall apply to any cottage in respect of which an improvement grant has been made under section 1 of the Hill Farming Act 1946, whether that grant was made before or after the coming into operation of these regulations.

(a) 1946 c. 73.

(b) 1954 c. 23.

(c) S.I. 1954/671 (1954 I, p. 93).

In Witness whereof the Official Seal of the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food is hereunto affixed on 22nd May 1973.

(L.S.)

Joseph Godber,
Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Regulations.)

These Regulations amend the Hill Farming (Cottages) (Northern Ireland) Regulations, 1954 by adding a further subparagraph to Regulation 3(a) setting out an additional category of persons who may occupy a cottage in respect of which an improvement grant has been made under the Hill Farming and Livestock Rearing Acts 1946 to 1959. The subparagraph enables the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food to allow such a cottage to be occupied for a specified period by a person, or succession of persons, whose occupation thereof would not give rise to a statutory restriction on the owner's right to recover possession.

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