
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1993 No. 1441

The Suckler Cow Premium Regulations 1993

Time limit for prosecutions

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(1) Proceedings for an offence under regulation 9 may, subject to paragraph (2) below, in England and Wales be brought, and in Scotland be commenced, within the period of six months from the date on which evidence sufficient in the opinion of the prosecutor to warrant proceedings comes to his knowledge.

(2) No such proceedings shall be brought by virtue of this regulation more than twelve months after the commission of the offence.

(3) For the purpose of this regulation, a certificate signed by or on behalf of the prosecutor and stating the date on which evidence sufficient in his opinion to warrant the proceedings came to his knowledge shall be conclusive evidence of that fact.

(4) A certificate stating that matter and purporting to be so signed shall be deemed to be so signed unless the contrary is proved.

(5) In relation to proceedings in Scotland, subsection (3) of section 331 of the Criminal Procedure (Scotland) Act 1975⁽¹⁾ (date of commencement of proceedings) shall apply for the purposes of this regulation as it applies for the purposes of that section.