

## EXPLANATORY NOTE

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

These Regulations, which apply throughout Great Britain, make provision for the implementation of Commission Regulation (EC) No. 1091/96 which authorises the United Kingdom, until 31st August 1996, to permit the grazing of bovine animals of more than thirty months on land set aside under Article 7 of Council Regulation (EEC) No. 1765/92 establishing a support system for producers of certain arable crops.

Regulation 3 provides for the granting of such permission where written notification of the intention to graze such animals is submitted to the Minister, in such form as the Minister may reasonably require, by the farmer of the set-aside land and the person wishing to graze such animals thereon, if different, and the Minister has confirmed receipt of such notification to the farmer.

Regulation 4 provides for the consequences of such permission being granted, i.e. that such land will continue to be regarded as set-aside land for the purposes of the Arable Area Payments Regulations (S.I.1995/1738 as amended by S.I.1995/2780 and S.I. 1996/1482), and that grazing in accordance with the permission will not in itself count as a breach of the management requirements for set-aside land specified in those Regulations.

Regulation 5 extends the powers granted to authorised persons by regulation 15 of those Regulations so as to enable them to inspect any bovine animals found on relevant land in order to ascertain compliance with the permission granted by regulation 3.

These Regulations come into force on 21st June 1996 and expire at the end of 31st August 1996.