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**STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS**

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**1999 No. 2735****AGRICULTURE****The Organic Farming (Amendment) Regulations 1999**

<i>Made</i> - - - - -	<i>4th October 1999</i>
<i>Laid before Parliament</i>	<i>4th October 1999</i>
<i>Coming into force</i> - -	<i>5th October 1999</i>

The Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food, being a Minister designated() for the purposes of section 2(2) of the European Communities Act 1972() in relation to the common agricultural policy of the European Community, in exercise of the powers conferred on him by that section, and of all other powers enabling him in that behalf, hereby makes the following Regulations—

**Title and commencement**

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Organic Farming (Amendment) Regulations 1999 and shall come into force on 5th October 1999.

**Interpretation**

2. In these Regulations “the principal Regulations” means the Organic Farming Regulations 1999().

**Amendment of the principal Regulations**

3. The principal Regulations shall be amended in accordance with the following provisions of these Regulations.

4. In regulation 2(1) of the principal Regulations, after the definition “approved” there shall be inserted the following definitions—

““the area of the Bodmin Moor Project” means the area of land comprised in the parishes in the area of Bodmin Moor in the county of Cornwall which are listed in Part I of Schedule 3;

“the area of the Bowland Initiative” means the area of land comprised in the parishes in the area of the Forest of Bowland in the County of Lancashire which are listed in Part II of Schedule 3; and

“the area of the Uplands experiment” means the aggregate of the area of the Bodmin Moor Project and the area of the Bowland Initiative”.

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(a) S.I. 1972/1811.  
(b) 1972 c. 68.  
(c) S.I. 1999/590.

5. After regulation 6 of the principal Regulations there shall be inserted the following regulation—

**“Closing date for accepting applications for aid**

**6A.**—(1) Subject to paragraph (2), the Minister shall not accept an application for aid under these Regulations unless such application has been received by him before 5th October 1999.

(2) Paragraph (1) shall not apply to applications for aid which are made in respect of the land the whole of which is situated in the area of the Uplands experiment.

(3) The Minister shall not accept an application for aid under these Regulations in relation to land which is situated in the area of the Uplands experiment unless such application has been received by him before 1st January 2000.”

6. After Schedule 2 to the principal Regulations there shall be inserted Schedule 3 as set out in the Schedule to these Regulations.

4th October 1999

*Elliot Morley*  
Parliamentary Secretary,  
Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food

## SCHEDULE

regulation 6

## “SCHEDULE 3

regulation 2(1)

## PART I

## PARISHES WITHIN THE AREA OF THE BODMIN MOOR PROJECT

Advent	Helland	St. Cleer
Allarnun	Lewannick	St. Clether
Blisland	Linkinhorne	St. Ive
Camelford	Michaelstow	St. Neot
Cardinham	North Hill	St. Tudy
Davidstow	St. Breward	Warleggan

## PART II

## PARISHES WITHIN THE AREA OF THE BOWLAND INITIATIVE

Aighton, Bailey and Chaigley	Foulridge	Paythorne
Arkholme with Cawood	Gisburn	Pendleton
Barley with Wheatley Booth	Gisburn Forest	Priest Hutton
Barnacre with Bonds	Goldshaw Booth	Quernmore
Bashall Eaves	Great Mitton	Ribchester
Billsborrow	Gressingham	Rimington
Blacko	Grindleton	Roeburndale
Bleasdale	Halton with Aughton	Roughlee Booth
Bolton by Bowland	Hornby with Farleton	Sawley
Borwick	Horton	Slaidburn
Bowland Forest High	Ireby	Tatham
Bowland Forest Low	Leck	Thornton with Wheatley
Bowland with Leagram	Little Mitton	Tunstall
Brogden	Mearley	Twiston
Burrow with Burrow	Melling with Wrayton	Waddington
Cantsfield	Middop	Wennington
Caton with Littledale	Myresdale	West Bradford
Chatburn	Nether Kellet	Whittington
Chipping	Nether Wyresdale	Wiswell
Claughton (Lancs)	Newsholme	Worston
Claughton (Wyre)	Newton	Wray with Botton”
Downham	Over Kellet	
Easington	Over Wyresdale	

**EXPLANATORY NOTE**

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

This Order amends the Organic Farming Regulations 1999 (“the principal Regulations”) which provide for the payment of aid to farmers who undertake to introduce organic farming methods and comply with certain environmental management conditions, pursuant to Article 2(1)(a) and (d) of Council Regulation (EEC) No. 2078/92 (OJ No. L215, 30.7.92, p. 85) (“the Agri-environment Regulation”). The Agri-environment Regulation was repealed by Article 55(1) of Council Regulation (EC) No. 1257/99 (OJ No. L160, 26.6.99, p. 80), but, by virtue of Article 55(3) of the latter Regulation, the Agri-environment Regulation continues to apply to actions approved by the Commission before 1st January 2000.

These Regulations amend the principal Regulations to provide that the Minister shall not, subject to the limited exception contained in regulation 6A(2), accept any applications for aid received on or after the date on which these Regulations come into force. The exception applies to applications in respect of land situated in the area of “the Uplands experiment” (as defined).

No regulatory impact assessment has been prepared in respect of this Order.

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