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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**2005 No. 1605**

**The Registration of Fish Buyers and Sellers and  
Designation of Fish Auction Sites Regulations 2005**

**Registration of fish buyers**

7.—(1) For the purposes of Article 22(2)(b) of the CFP Regulation any person may apply to the Secretary of State to be registered as a fish buyer, using such form as the Secretary of State may prescribe.

(2) An applicant for registration as a fish buyer shall include with his application a statement of the facilities and the proposed methods of operation he intends to use and of the place where he intends to maintain his records of purchases of first sale fish.

(3) In considering an application the Secretary of State shall take into account whether the statement as to the proposed methods of operation of the fish buyer, and of the place where he intends to maintain his records of purchases of first sale fish, are such as to assist compliance by the fish buyer with Article 9, Article 22 of the CFP Regulation and these Regulations.

(4) The Secretary of State shall notify an applicant in writing of her decision on an application made to her in accordance with this regulation.

(5) Where the Secretary of State grants a registration the Secretary of State shall specify the conditions, listed at Schedule 3, subject to which the registration is granted.

(6) The Secretary of State shall publish a list of registered buyers in such manner that she sees fit.

(7) The registration of a fish buyer may be suspended where, in the view of the Secretary of State, the registered fish buyer has not—

(a) complied with a condition of registration; or,

(b) conducted his business in a manner that complies with the requirements of Article 9, Article 22 of the CFP Regulation or these Regulations.

(8) Any person who knowingly or recklessly makes a false statement for the purposes of an application under this regulation is guilty of an offence.

(9) Any registered fish buyer who fails to comply with a condition of his registration is guilty of an offence.