#### STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

# 2006 No. 1879

# PLANT HEALTH, ENGLAND

# The Plant Health (Import Inspection Fees) (England) Regulations 2006

Made - - - - 12th July 2006

Laid before Parliament 14th July 2006

Coming into force - - 4th August 2006

The Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs makes the following Regulations in exercise of the powers conferred on him by section 56(1) of the Finance Act 1973(1);

The Treasury consents to the making of these Regulations:

#### Title, commencement, extent and application

- 1.—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the Plant Health (Import Inspection Fees) (England) Regulations 2006 and come into force on 4th August 2006.
  - (2) These Regulations extend to England and Wales but apply only in relation to England.

#### Interpretation

- 2. In these Regulations—
  - "consignment" has the same meaning as in Article 2(1)(p) of the Directive;
  - "daytime working hours" means any time between the hours of 8.30 a.m. to 5.00 p.m. on any day except a Saturday, Sunday, Christmas Day, Good Friday or a day which is a bank holiday under the Banking and Financial Dealings Act 1971(2) in England;
  - "the Directive" means Council Directive 2000/29/EC(3) of 8th May 2000 on protective measures against the introduction into the Community of organisms harmful to plants or plant products and against their spread within the Community as last amended by Commission Directive 2006/35/EC(4);
  - "documentary check" has the same meaning as in Article 13a(1)(b)(i) of the Directive;
  - "identity check" has the same meaning as in Article 13a(1)(b)(ii) of the Directive;

<sup>(1) 1973</sup> c. 51.

<sup>(2) 1971</sup> c. 80.

<sup>(3)</sup> OJ No. L 169, 10.7.2000, p. 1.

<sup>(4)</sup> OJ No. L 88, 25.3.2006, p. 9.

- "plant" has the same meaning as in Article 2(1)(a) of the Directive;
- "plant health check" has the same meaning as in Article 13a(1)(b)(iii) of the Directive;
- "plant intended for planting" has the same meaning as in Article 2(1)(d) of the Directive;
- "plant product" has the same meaning as in Article 2(1)(b) of the Directive; and
- "third country" means a country or territory other than one within the European Community.

#### Consignments to which these Regulations apply

- [F13. These Regulations apply in relation to consignments of—
  - (a) plants, plant products and other objects of a description specified in the first column of Schedule 1 that are listed in Annex V, Part B of the Directive; and
  - (b) seeds of Solanaceae whether or not listed in Annex V, Part B of the Directive,

which are landed in England from a third country or are the subject of an agreement made under article 12(6) of the Plant Health (England) Order 2005.]

F1 Reg. 3 substituted (15.11.2007) by The Plant Health (Import Inspection Fees) (England) (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 2007 (S.I. 2007/3013), regs. 1(b), **2(2)** 

#### **Fees**

- **4.**—(1) An importer shall pay to the Secretary of State upon import of a consignment to which these Regulations apply—
  - (a) subject to paragraph (2), the fee specified—
    - (i) in the third column of Schedule 1 in respect of any consignment other than a consignment of a plant or plant product to which sub-paragraph (a)(ii) applies; or
    - (ii) the fee specified in the fourth column of Schedule 2 in respect of a consignment of any plant or plant product listed in the first column of that Schedule and originating from a country listed in the third column of that Schedule; and
  - (b) the fee specified for a documentary check and an identity check in the third column of Schedule 3.
- (2) Where, at the request of an importer, or any other person responsible for the consignment, a plant health check is carried out on a consignment outside daytime working hours, the fee payable under paragraph (1)(a) in respect of that consignment shall be—
  - (a) the fee specified in the fourth column of Schedule 1 if the consignment is a consignment to which paragraph (1)(a)(i) applies; or
  - (b) the fee specified in the fifth column of Schedule 2 if the consignment is a consignment to which paragraph (1)(a)(ii) applies.

#### Revocation

5. The Plant Health (Import Inspection Fees) (England) Regulations 2005(5) are revoked.

**Changes to legislation:** There are currently no known outstanding effects for the The Plant Health (Import Inspection Fees) (England) Regulations 2006 (revoked). (See end of Document for details)

Jeff Rooker
Minister of State
Department for Environment, Food and Rural
Affairs

We consent

Frank Roy Alan Campbell Two of the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury

# SCHEDULE 1

Regulations 3 and 4  $\,$ 

#### IMPORT INSPECTION FEES

Plant, plant product or other object	Quantity	Fee	Fee (non-daytime working hours)
Cuttings, seedlings	Per consignment		
(except forestry reproductive material), young plants of	— up to 10,000 in number	£13.24	£19.86
strawberries or of vegetables	— for each additional 1,000 units[ <sup>F2</sup> , or part thereof]	£0.52	£0.78
	— maximum price	£105.92	£158.88
Shrubs, trees (other	Per consignment		
than cut Christmas trees), other woody nursery plants	— up to 1,000 in number	£13.24	£19.86
including forest reproductive material (other than seed)	— for each additional 100 units[F2, or part thereof]	£0.33	£0.49
	— maximum price	£105.92	£158.88
Bulbs, corms,	Per consignment		
rhizomes, tubers, intended for planting (other than tubers of potatoes)	— up to 200 kg in weight	£13.24	£19.86
	— for each additional 10 kg[ <sup>F2</sup> , or part thereof]	£0.12	£0.18
	— maximum price	£105.92	£158.88
Seeds, tissue cultures	Per consignment		
	— up to 100 kg in weight	£5.67	£8.50
	— for each additional 10 kg[ <sup>F2</sup> , or part thereof]	£0.13	£0.19
	— maximum price	£105.92	£158.88
Other plants intended	Per consignment		
for planting, not specified elsewhere in this Schedule	— up to 5,000 in number	£13.24	£19.86
	— for each additional 100 units[F2, or part thereof]	£0.13	£0.19
	— maximum price	£105.92	£158.88

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Plant, plant product or other object	Quantity	Fee	Fee (non-daytime working hours)
Cut flowers	Per consignment		
	— up to 20,000 in number	£13.24	£19.86
	— for each additional 1,000 units[ <sup>F2</sup> , or part thereof]	£0.10	£0.15
	— maximum price	£105.92	£158.88
Branches with foliage,	Per consignment		
parts of conifers (other than cut Christmas trees)	— up to 100 kg in weight	£13.24	£19.86
u.ccs)	— for each additional 100 kg[ <sup>F2</sup> , or part thereof]	£1.32	£1.98
	— maximum price	£105.92	£158.88
Cut Christmas trees	Per consignment		
	— up to 1,000 in number	£13.24	£19.86
	— for each additional 100 units[ <sup>F2</sup> , or part thereof]	£1.32	£1.98
	— maximum price	£105.92	£158.88
Leaves of plants, such	Per consignment		
as herbs, spices and leafy vegetables	— up to 100 kg in weight	£13.24	£19.86
	— for each additional 10 kg[ <sup>F2</sup> , or part thereof]	£1.32	£1.98
	— maximum price	£105.92	£158.88
Fruits, vegetables	Per consignment		
(other than leafy vegetables)	— up to 25,000 kg in weight	£13.24	£19.86
	— for each additional 1,000 kg[ <sup>F2</sup> , or part thereof]	£0.52	£0.78
Tubers of potatoes	Per lot		
	— up to 25,000 kg in weight	£39.72	£59.58

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Plant, plant product or other object	Quantity	Fee	Fee (non-daytime working hours)
	— for each additional 25,000 kg[ <sup>F2</sup> , or part thereof]	£39.72	£59.58
Soil and growing	Per consignment		
medium, bark	— up to 25,000 kg in weight	£13.24	£19.86
	— for each additional 1,000 kg[ <sup>F2</sup> , or part thereof]	£0.52	£0.78
	— maximum price	£105.92	£158.88
Grain	Per consignment		
	— up to 25,000 kg in weight	£13.24	£19.86
	— for each additional 1,000 kg[ <sup>F2</sup> , or part thereof]	£0.52	£0.78
	— maximum price	£529.60	£794.40
Other plants or plant products not specified elsewhere in this Schedule, except forest trees	Per consignment	£13.24	£19.86

**F2** Words in Sch. 1 inserted (6.4.2007) by The Plant Health (Import Inspection Fees) (England) (Amendment) Regulations 2007 (S.I. 2007/788), regs. 1(1), **2(2)** 

# [F3SCHEDULE 2

Regulation 4

# IMPORT INSPECTION FEES (REDUCED RATES)

F3 Sch. 2 substituted (6.4.2007) by The Plant Health (Import Inspection Fees) (England) (Amendment) Regulations 2007 (S.I. 2007/788), regs. 1(1), 2(3)

Genus	Quantity	Country of origin	Fee	Fee (non- daytime working hours)
Cut flowers				
Aster	Per consignment			

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Genus	Quantity	Country of origin	Fee	Fee (non- daytime working hours)
	— up to 20,000 in number	Zimbabwe	£6.62	£9.93
	— for each additional 1,000 units or part thereof	Zimbabwe	£0.05	£0.07
	— maximum price	Zimbabwe	£52.96	£79.44
Dianthus	Per consignment			
	— up to 20,000 in	Colombia	£0.40	£0.60
	number	Ecuador	£1.98	£2.97
		Israel, Turkey	£3.31	£4.96
		Morocco	£6.62	£9.93
	— for each	Colombia	£0.003	£0.004
	additional 1,000 units or part	Ecuador	£0.01	£0.02
	thereof	Israel, Turkey	£0.02	£0.03
	•	Morocco	£0.05	£0.07
	— maximum	Colombia	£3.17	£4.75
	price	Ecuador	£15.88	£23.83
	•	Israel, Turkey	£26.48	£39.72
	•	Morocco	£52.96	£79.44
Rosa	Per consignment			
	— up to 20,000 in number	Kenya	£0.13	£0.19
		Colombia, Ecuador, Uganda	£0.66	£0.99
		Israel, Zambia	£1.32	£1.98
		Ethiopia, Tanzania, Zimbabwe	£3.31	£4.96
		India	£6.62	£9.93
	— for each additional 1,000 units or part thereof	Kenya	£0.001	£0.002

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Genus	Quantity	Country of origin	Fee	Fee (non- daytime working hours
		Colombia, Ecuador, Uganda	£0.005	£0.007
		Israel, Zambia	£0.01	£0.015
		Ethiopia, Tanzania, Zimbabwe	£0.02	£0.03
		India	£0.05	£0.07
	— maximum price	Kenya	£1.06	£1.59
		Colombia, Ecuador, Uganda	£5.29	£7.94
		Israel, Zambia	£10.59	£15.89
		Ethiopia, Tanzania,	£26.48	£39.72
		Zimbabwe		
		India	£52.96	£79.44
Fruit				
Malus	Per consignment			
		Chile	£0.93	£1.39
	— up to 25,000 kg in weight	New Zealand, South Africa	£1.32	£1.98
		Argentina, USA	£1.98	£2.97
		Brazil	£3.31	£4.96
	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	China	£4.63	£6.95
	— for each	Chile	£0.03	£0.05
	additional 1,000 kg or part thereof	New Zealand, South Africa	£0.05	£0.07
		Argentina, USA	£0.07	£0.11
		Brazil	£0.13	£0.19
		China	£0.18	£0.27
Mangifera	Per consignment			
	— up to 25,000 kg	Brazil	£1.32	£1.98
	in weight	Peru	£6.62	£9.93

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Genus	Quantity	Country of origin	Fee	Fee (non- daytime working hours)
	— for each	Brazil	£0.05	£0.07
	additional 1,000 kg or part thereof	Peru	£0.26	£0.39
Prunus	Per consignment			
	— up to 25,000 kg in weight	Chile, South Africa	£1.32	£1.98
		Argentina, Turkey	£1.98	£2.97
		USA	£4.63	£6.95
	— for each additional 1,000	Chile, South Africa	£0.05	£0.07
	kg or part thereof	Argentina, Turkey	£0.07	£0.11
		USA	£0.18	£0.27
Pyrus	Per consignment			
	— up to 25,000 kg in weight	South Africa	£1.32	£1.98
		Argentina	£1.98	£2.97
		Chile	£3.31	£4.96
		China	£6.62	£9.93
	— for each	South Africa	£0.05	£0.07
	additional 1,000 kg or part thereof	Argentina	£0.07	£0.11
	<del>6 7</del>	Chile	£0.13	£0.19
		China	£0.26	£0.39
Citrus	Per consignment			
	— up to 25,000 kg	Morocco	£0.66	£0.99
	in weight	Israel, Turkey, Uruguay, USA	£1.98	£2.97
		Egypt, Mexico	£3.31	£4.96
		Peru, Zimbabwe	£9.93	£14.89
	— for each	Morocco	£0.02	£0.03
	additional 1,000 kg or part thereof	Israel, Turkey, Uruguay, USA	£0.07	£0.11
		Egypt, Mexico	£0.13	£0.19
		Peru, Zimbabwe	£0.39	£0.58
Fortunella	Per consignment			

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Fee	Fee (non- daytime working hours
£9.93	£14.89
£6.62	£9.93
£0.39	£0.58
£0.26	£0.39
£6.62	£9.93
£0.26	£0.39
£1.32	£1.98
£1.98	£2.97
£4.63	£6.95
£9.93	£14.89
£0.05	£0.07
£0.07	£0.11
£0.18	£0.27
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# SCHEDULE 3 Regulation 4(1)

# IMPORT INSPECTION FEES FOR DOCUMENTARY CHECKS AND IDENTITY CHECKS

Check	Quantity	Fee
Documentary check	Per consignment	£5.29
Identity check	Per consignment	

Changes to legislation: There are currently no known outstanding effects for the The Plant Health (Import Inspection Fees) (England) Regulations 2006 (revoked). (See end of Document for details)

Check	Quantity	Fee
	— up to a size of a truck load, a railway wagon load or the load of a container of comparable size	£5.29
	— bigger than the above size	£10.58

#### **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations revoke and replace the Plant Health (Import Inspection Fees) (England) Regulations 2005 (S.I.2005/906), which implemented Article 13d of Council Directive 2000/29/EC (OJNo. L 169, 10.7.00, p. 1) ("the Directive"). The Directive requires member States to charge fees to cover the costs occasioned by the documentary checks, identity checks and plant health checks of certain imports of plants, plant products and other objects from third countries. These Regulations also implement reduced rates for certain plants and plant products agreed under the procedure provided for in Articles 13d(2) and 18(2) of the Directive.

The Regulations require an importer to pay, upon import of a consignment to which they apply, the fee specified in Schedule 1 or the reduced rate fee in Schedule 2, as appropriate (regulation 4(1)(a)). The fee is payable whether or not an inspection is carried out on the particular consignment (except in the case of the fees payable for an inspection carried out at the request of an importer outside daytime working hours (regulation 4(2))).

An importer is also required to pay the fee specified in Schedule 3 for documentary checks and identity checks (regulation 4(1)(b)).

A Regulatory Impact Assessment was prepared in respect of the introduction of charges for plant health import inspections to which the Regulations apply. This has been placed in the Library of each House of Parliament. Copies can be obtained from Plant Health Division, Defra, Foss House, Kings Pool, Peasholme Green, York YO1 7PX.

#### **Status:**

Point in time view as at 15/11/2007.

# **Changes to legislation:**

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