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The Direct Payments to Farmers (Simplifications) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2021

PART 7

Control rate for on-the-spot checks

Amendment of Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) No 809/2014

17.—(1) Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) No 809/2014 of 17 July 2014 laying down rules for the application of Regulation (EU) No 1306/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council with regard to the integrated administration and control system, rural development measures and cross compliance(**1**) is amended as follows.

(2) For Article 30 substitute—

"For area- related schemes the control sample for on-the-spot checks carried out each year shall cover at least:

- (a) 1% of all beneficiaries applying for the basic payment scheme in accordance with Chapter 1 of Title III of Regulation (EU) No 1307/2013;
- (b) 1% of all beneficiaries applying for young farmers in accordance with Chapter 5 of Title III of Regulation (EU) No 1307/2013;
- (c) 1% of all beneficiaries applying for a voluntary coupled support in accordance with Chapter 1 of Title IV of Regulation (EU) No 1307/2013;
- (d) 1% of all beneficiaries applying for the basic payment scheme in accordance with Chapter 1 of Title III of Regulation (EU) No 1307/2013 where the beneficiary has declared permanent grassland which is environmentally sensitive and to which Article 32(A) of Regulation (EU) No 1307/2014 applies."
- (3) Omit Article 30a.
- (4) Omit Article 33.
- (5) Omit Article 33a.
- (6) For Article 34 substitute—

"The control samples established in article 30 may be selected randomly or on the basis of a risk analysis.".

- (7) Omit Article 35.
- (8) Omit Article 36.
- (9) Omit Article 37.

⁽¹⁾ EUR 2014/809 as amended in relation to direct payment schemes by S.I. 2020/90 and 576. EUR 2014/809 is also amended by S.I. 2019/765. However, by virtue of the amendments in The Agriculture (Payments) (Amendment, etc) (EU Exit) Regulations 2020, these amendments do not have effect in relation to direct payment schemes.

Amendment of Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) No 908/2014

18. In Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) No 908/2014 of 6 August 2014 laying down rules for the application of Regulation (EU) No 1306/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council with regard to paying agencies and other bodies, financial management, clearance of accounts, rules on checks, securities and transparency(2), omit Article 41.