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**2021 No.**

**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<sup>(1)</sup> 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.

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<sup>(1)</sup> 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<sup>(2)</sup>, omit Article 41.

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(2) EUR 2014/908 as amended by [S.I. 2019/765](#), [1405](#) and [S.I. 2020/90](#)