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

PART 5

Removal of cross-border applications

Amendment of Regulation (EU) No 1306/2013

12.—(1) In Regulation (EU) No 1306/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 17 December 2013 on the financing, management and monitoring of the common agricultural policy⁽¹⁾, in Article 91(3)(a) in the definition of “holding”, for “the United Kingdom” substitute “Northern Ireland”

Amendment of the Direct Payments Regulation

13.—(1) The Direct Payments Regulation is amended as follows.

(2) In Article 4, in paragraph 1—

- (a) in subparagraph (a) in the definition of “farmer” for “the United Kingdom” substitute “Northern Ireland”;
- (b) in subparagraph (b) in the definition of “holding” for “the United Kingdom” substitute “Northern Ireland”.

Amendment of the Common Agricultural Policy (Control and Enforcement, Cross-Compliance, Scrutiny of Transactions and Appeals) Regulations 2014

14.—(1) The Common Agricultural Policy (Control and Enforcement, Cross-Compliance, Scrutiny of Transactions and Appeals) Regulations 2014⁽²⁾ are amended as follows.

(2) In regulation 2, in the definition of “competent authority” omit “, except as otherwise provided by regulation 3,”.

(3) In regulation 3—

- (a) omit paragraphs (2) to (3A);
- (b) for paragraph (4) substitute—

“(4) In this regulation “holding” has the meaning given by Article 4(1)(b) of the Direct Payments Regulation.”.

(1) EUR 2013/1306 as amended in relation to direct payment schemes by [S.I. 2020/90](#) and [576](#). EUR 2013/1306 is also amended by [S.I. 2019/748](#) (as amended by [S.I. 2019/831](#)), [763](#) (as amended by [S.I. 2019/812](#)), [831](#) and [1402](#). 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.

(2) [S.I. 2014/3263](#). The relevant amending instrument is [S.I. 2015/1325](#).

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