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# The Less Favoured Area Support Scheme (Scotland) Regulations 2003

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# THE LESS FAVOURED AREA SUPPORT SCHEME (SCOTLAND) REGULATIONS 2003

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- 3. Trimming of hedgerows must not be carried out between 1st...
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- 5. Any farmer who intends to undertake any operation which is...
- 6. Livestock shall be managed in such a way as to...
- 7. Unsuitable supplementary feeding methods shall be avoided.
- 8. Undergrazing shall be avoided.
- 9. In paragraph 8, "Undergrazing" has the meaning of not using...

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- 7. For cross-border holdings where the applicant has submitted a declaration...

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- 8. Applicants in respect of cross border holdings are required to...
- 9. All conditions applying to applicants in respect of holdings lying... Explanatory Note