
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**The Meat (Hygiene, Inspection and Examinations
for Residues) (Charges) Regulations 1995**

PART IV

GENERAL

Determination and variation of charges

12.—(1) Charges under these Regulations are to be fixed by the Minister in accordance with the provisions of these Regulations.

(2) Before determining and, subject to paragraph (3) below, before varying charges under these Regulations the Minister shall give any person who appears to him to be affected notice in writing—

- (a) of the charges that he proposes to fix; and
- (b) of the date on which they are to commence.

(3) Notice is not required where a proposed variation is the result of a change in the published rate for conversion of the ECU.

(4) The date specified in a notice must be a date after the end of the period of 14 days commencing with the day on which the notice is given.

(5) If not later than the end of the period of 14 days commencing with the day on which notice is given a person to whom it was given makes a written request to the Minister for details of how he calculated the proposed charges, the Minister shall supply him with those details.

(6) If not later than the end of the period of 14 days commencing with the day on which the Minister supplies a person with such details in pursuance of the duty imposed on him by paragraph (5) above that person, or a person acting on his behalf, makes representations to the Minister concerning the proposed charges, the Minister shall have regard to the representations.

(7) The Minister shall give all persons to whom notice of the charges was given under paragraph (2) above written notice of the charges which he fixes.

(8) When a charge is fixed, it shall be payable in respect of any health inspection and control exercise carried out on or after the date notified under paragraph (2) above, and there reference in that paragraph to the date on which charges are to commence is to be construed accordingly.

(9) Pending the fixing of the amount of a charge in accordance with this regulation the charge notified under paragraph (2) above shall be payable.

(10) When the charge is fixed, such payments shall be made by or to the Minister as will secure that the person liable to pay the charge does not pay more or less than the amount fixed.