STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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PLANT HEALTH, ENGLAND

The Plant Health (Fees) (England) (Amendment) Regulations 2014 (revoked)[F1]

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Textual Amendments

F1 Regulations revoked (6.4.2018) by The Plant Health etc. (Fees) (England) Regulations 2018 (S.I. 2018/289), reg. 1(2), **Sch. 6**

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations amend the Plant Health (Fees) (England) Regulations 2014 (S.I. 2014/601) ("the principal Regulations").

The principal Regulations implement Article 13d of Council Directive 2000/29/EC on protective measures against the introduction into the Community of organisms harmful to plants or plant products and against their spread within the Community (OJ No 169, 10.7.2000, p1) ("the Directive"). Article 13d of the Directive requires Member States to charge fees to cover the costs of documentary, identity and plant health checks of certain imports of plants, plant products and other objects from third countries set out in Annex V, Part B of the Directive.

Regulation 3 amends regulation 2(3) of the principal Regulations to clarify the fees that are payable in respect of plant health checks which are carried out on consignments (or parts of consignments) outside daytime working hours.

Schedule 2 to the principal Regulations sets out reduced rate fees for certain plants and plant products which are subject to reduced levels of plant health checks agreed under the procedure provided for in Articles 13a(2) and 18(2) of the Directive. Regulation 4 of these Regulations amends Schedule 2 to give effect to the latest notification published by the European Commission of the reduced plant health checks which are applicable to certain plants and plant products.

The inspection rates for *Citrus* from Tunisia and Uruguay have increased (from 25% to 75% and 15% to 75% respectively) with matching increases in fees.

Fruit of *Mangifera* from Brazil are no longer eligible for reduced rate fees since this commodity is subject to an inspection rate of 100%. Accordingly, the relevant entry is removed from Schedule 2 and the fees in Schedule 1 to the principal Regulations are applied to these consignments.

The inspection rates for the following have decreased with matching decreases in fees: *Rosa* from Zambia (from 25% to 15%), *Citrus* from Mexico and Peru (from 15% to 10%), *Prunus* from Turkey and the USA (15% to 10%), *Psidium* from Brazil (from 100% to 75%) and *Pyru*s from Chile (from 25% to 15%).

Fruit of *Capsicum* from Morocco are eligible for a reduced rate fee corresponding to its inspection rate of 10%. The reduced rate fee for this commodity is added to Schedule 2.

An impact assessment has not been produced for this instrument as no or no significant impact on the private or voluntary sectors is foreseen and it implements annual changes in fees in line with a predetermined level rather than fundamental changes to the regulatory regime itself.

Changes to legislation:
There are currently no known outstanding effects for the The Plant Health (Fees) (England) (Amendment) Regulations 2014 (revoked).