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SCOTTISH STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**2015 No. 58**

**AGRICULTURE**

**The Common Agricultural Policy (Direct  
Payments etc.) (Scotland) Regulations 2015**

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**THE COMMON AGRICULTURAL POLICY (DIRECT  
PAYMENTS ETC.) (SCOTLAND) REGULATIONS 2015**

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**Status:** This is the original version (as it was originally made).

- 26. Amendment to the Rural Payments (Appeals) (Scotland) Regulations 2009
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SCHEDULE 1      Agricultural activity: further criteria  
PART 1          Criteria established for the purposes of Article 4(1)(c)(ii) of the Direct Payments Regulation: maintaining an agricultural area in a state which makes it suitable for grazing or cultivation

- 1. The criteria are— (a) in respect of agricultural areas other...  
PART 2          Minimum activity for the purposes of Article 4(1)(c)(iii) of the Direct Payments Regulation
- 2. (1) A farmer must— (a) stock the land for a...

PART 3          Meaning of dairy ring fence area  
SCHEDULE 2      Ecological focus areas: further criteria  
PART 1          Crop species that may be used in a mixture of crop species for the purposes of Article 45(9) of the Direct Payments Delegated Regulation in relation to areas under green cover  
PART 2          Nitrogen-fixing crops for the purposes of Article 45(10) of the Direct Payments Delegated Regulation  
PART 3          Additional conditions for the purposes of Article 45(10) of the Direct Payments Delegated Regulation

- 1. Nitrogen-fixing crops must not be harvested before 1st August in...
  - 2. Areas with nitrogen-fixing crops must be surrounded by a field...
- Explanatory Note