

1981 No. 399

AGRICULTURE

**The Agricultural Development in Less-Favoured Areas Regulations
(Northern Ireland) 1981**

Made 15th December 1981

Coming into operation 1st January 1982

The Department of Agriculture, being designated(a) for the purpose of section 2(2) of the European Communities Act 1972(b) in relation to the common agricultural policy of the European Community, in exercise of the powers conferred on it by the said section 2(2) and of all other powers enabling it in that behalf, hereby make the following regulations:—

Citation and commencement

1. These regulations may be cited as the Agricultural Development in Less-Favoured Areas Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1981 and shall come into operation on 1st January 1982.

Interpretation

2.—(1) The Interpretation Act (Northern Ireland) 1954(c) shall apply to these regulations as it applies to a Measure of the Northern Ireland Assembly.

(2) In these regulations:—

“the Commission” means the Commission of the European Communities;

“the Council Regulation” means Regulation (EEC) No. 1942/81 of 30th June 1981(d);

“the Department” means the Department of Agriculture for Northern Ireland;

“the Programme” is the Programme referred to in Article 2 of the Council Regulation which has been approved by Commission Decision (EEC) 81/940 of 10th November 1981(e) in accordance with Articles 1(4) and 3 of the Council Regulation.

(3) Other expressions used in these regulations have the same meaning as in the Council Regulation and the Programme.

Claims for grant and special premium

3. Any claim for a grant or special premium referred to in the Programme shall be made in such form and manner and at such time as the Department may require and the claimant shall furnish all such particulars and information relating to the claim as the Department may require.

Payment of grant and special premium

4. Any payment of grant or special premium made by the Department shall be subject to such conditions as the Department thinks fit; and such payment shall be made at such time as the Department may determine.

(a) S.I. 1972/1811

(b) 1972 c. 68

(c) 1954 c. 33 (N.I.)

(d) O.J. No. L197, 20.7.81, p. 17

(e) O.J. No. L338, 25.11.81, p. 32

Standard costs

5. For the purpose of determining any grant payable, the cost of any work facility or transaction may, at the option of the claimant, be taken to be the standard cost thereof as determined by the Department from time to time and subject to such conditions as the Department may determine.

Recovery of grant and special premium

6. If at any time after the Department has paid a grant or special premium under the Council Regulation,

- (a) any condition subject to which the grant or special premium has been paid has not been complied with, or
- (b) the person by whom the application for approval or the payment of grant or special premium was made gave information on any matter relevant to the making of the payment which was false or misleading in a material aspect, the Department may revoke the approval, and, where any payment has been made, may recover on demand an amount equal to the payment which has been so made or such part thereof as the Department may specify.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of Agriculture on 15th December 1981.

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N. E. Morrison

Assistant Secretary

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations.)

Regulation (EEC) No. 1942/81 of the Council of Ministers of the European Communities dated 30th June 1981 (the Council Regulation) provides for an agricultural development programme for the less-favoured areas of Northern Ireland and lays down rules governing the granting of aid under the programme. The less-favoured areas of Northern Ireland are as defined in Directive 75/276/EEC as amended by Commission Decision 76/685/EEC.

The Programme provides for measures relating to the improvement of farm roads and land improvement and for the introduction of specific development action aimed at the orientation of farm production.

The present regulations make provision for the implementation of the Council Regulation in Northern Ireland. They allow the Department of Agriculture to attach conditions to the payment of aid and to specify the form and manner in which the claims for aid and special premium will be made. The regulations give the Department power to recover payments in certain circumstances.

An extract of the relevant sections of the Programme is available on application from the Department of Agriculture.

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Medicines (Data Sheet) Amendment Regulations 1981

These Regulations have been made by the Secretary of State concerned with health in England, the Secretaries of State respectively concerned with health and with agriculture in Wales and in Scotland, the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food, the Department of Health and Social Services for Northern Ireland and the Department of Agriculture for Northern Ireland, acting jointly, in exercise of powers conferred by sections 96(6) and 129(1) of the Medicines Act 1968.

In pursuance of paragraph 11 of Schedule 4 to that Act these Regulations have been registered as a Northern Ireland statutory rule under the Statutory Rules (Northern Ireland) Order 1979. They are printed in full in the volume of United Kingdom Statutory Instruments for 1981 and have been numbered 1633 in that series.