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STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

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**2015 No. 318**

**The Common Agricultural Policy (Review of Decisions) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2015**

**Title and commencement**

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Common Agricultural Policy (Review of Decisions) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2015 and shall come into operation on 7th August 2015.

**Interpretation**

2.—(1) The Interpretation Act (Northern Ireland) 1954 (1) shall apply to these Regulations as it applies to an Act of the Northern Ireland Assembly.

(2) In these Regulations—

“application” means an application for a review of a relevant determination made under regulation 4(2) and “applicant” shall be construed accordingly;

“Department” means the Department of Agriculture and Rural Development; and

“relevant determination” means a determination to which these Regulations apply.

(3) Any reference in these Regulations to a Community instrument is a reference to that instrument as amended on the date these Regulations are made.

**Application**

3. These Regulations shall apply in relation to any initial determination made by or on behalf of the Department—

(a) in connection with any Community instrument listed in the Schedule; or

(b) in connection with any statutory provision implementing or supplementing any such Community instrument.

**Review of Determinations**

4.—(1) The Department may establish such procedure as it thinks appropriate for the review by it or on its behalf of a relevant determination.

(2) The procedures established under paragraph (1) shall—

(a) provide for a review of a relevant determination to be carried out on the application of the person to whom it was directed,

(b) provide for the manner of making any such application; and

(c) provide for the time within which supporting evidence is to be submitted for the purposes of a review of the relevant determination.

(3) Any such procedure so established may, in particular, provide for consideration of the initial determination by such persons (not exceeding three) as the Department may appoint for that purpose, with a view to their making a report of their conclusions in relation to the initial determination and a recommendation as to the manner in which the matter should be finally determined.

(4) Where the Department establishes any such procedure as is mentioned in paragraph (3), it may—

- (a) pay to the persons so appointed such reasonable remuneration in respect of their functions under that procedure, and such travelling and other allowances, as it may determine; and
- (b) charge any applicant whose application is considered under the procedure so established such fee (not exceeding £100) as the Department may determine in respect of the costs incurred by it by virtue of the operation of that procedure in relation to the review in question.

(5) Any procedure such as is mentioned in paragraph (3) may provide that, where the Department decides to charge fees under paragraph (4)(b), a review in respect of which a fee is payable shall not proceed unless the application for that review is accompanied by the fee.

(6) Where, in pursuance of any such procedure as is mentioned in paragraph (3), a relevant determination is—

- (a) amended, altered or modified; or
- (b) revoked or substituted by another determination,

any fee payable by a person under paragraph (4)(b) in respect of the review shall be refunded to that person.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of Agriculture and Rural Development on 21st July 2015.



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