## STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

## 2015 No. 326

## The Rural Development Programme Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2015

## Powers of an authorised person

- 10.—(1) An authorised person who has entered any land or premises under regulation 9 may—
  - (a) inspect the land, premises, buildings and any document, record or equipment thereon which he reasonably believes relates to an application, approved operation or claim;
  - (b) require the applicant or beneficiary, or any employee or agent of such applicant or beneficiary, to produce, or secure the production of, any document or record or supply any additional information in his possession or under his control relating to the application, approved operation or claim;
  - (c) where any document, record or information referred to in sub-paragraph (b) is kept by means of a computer, have access to and inspect any computer and any associated apparatus or material which is or has been used in connection with that document, record or information;
  - (d) require copies of, or extracts from, any document, record or information relating to the application, approved operation or claim to be produced;
  - (e) remove and retain for a reasonable period any document, record or information relating to the application, approved operation or claim which he has reason to believe may be required as evidence in proceedings under these Regulations and, where any such document, record or information is kept by means of a computer, require it to be produced in a form in which it may be taken away and in which it is visible and legible;
  - (f) if necessary for the purposes of enforcing these Regulations or the European Regulations—
    - (i) inspect and count livestock on the land and premises, and
    - (ii) require the applicant or beneficiary, or any employee, servant or agent of such beneficiary, to arrange for the collection, penning and securing of such livestock.
  - (g) require an applicant or beneficiary, or any employee, servant or agent of such applicant or beneficiary, to give an authorised person all reasonable assistance in relation to the matters mentioned in this regulation.
- (2) Paragraph (1) applies in relation to a person referred to in regulation 9(3)(b) when such a person is acting under the instructions of an authorised person, as if such person were an authorised person.