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STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

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**2020 No. 8**

**AGRICULTURE**

**The Agriculture (Student fees) (Amendment)  
Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2020**

*Made - - - - 9th January 2020*

*Coming into operation 1st August 2020*

The Department of Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs (1), in exercise of the powers conferred by sections 5A (1) and (2) of the Agriculture Act (Northern Ireland) 1949(2), makes the following Regulations:

**Citation and commencement**

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Agriculture (Student fees) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2020 and shall come into operation on the 1st August 2020.

**Commencement Information**

**II** [Reg. 1](#) in operation at 1.8.2020, see [reg. 1](#)

**Amendment to the Agriculture (Student fees) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2007**

2. The Agriculture (Student fees) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2007(3) shall be amended as provided by regulations 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7.

3. In regulation 1(2) after the definition of “higher education” insert-

““international students” has the meaning assigned by regulation 4(5);”

4. In regulation 4 (1)(4) for “£1,690” substitute “£1,735”:

5. After regulation 4(3) insert-

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(1) Formerly the Department of Agriculture for Northern Ireland; see [S.I. 1999/283 \(N.I. 1\)](#), Art. 3(4); and the Department of Agriculture and Rural Development; see The Departments Act (Northern Ireland) [2016 c.5 \(N.I.\)](#), Article 1(2)

(2) [1949 c.2 \(N.I.\)](#). Section 5A(1) and (2) was inserted by Article 42(1) of the Education (Northern Ireland) Order 2006 ([S.I. 2006/1915 \(N.I. 11\)](#))

(3) [S.R. 2007 No.54](#)

(4) Regulation 4(1) was amended by [S.R. 2019 No.108](#)

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**Changes to legislation:** There are currently no known outstanding effects for the The Agriculture (Student fees) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2020. (See end of Document for details)

“(4) Subject to paragraph (5) and Regulation 5 the fee payable to the Department by an international student for each week of tuition in respect of a full time higher education course shall be £300.

(5) International students are defined as persons undertaking a course of study at the College of Agriculture Food and Rural Enterprise who are not included in the categories of person under Schedule 2 Part 2 of The Education (Student Support) (No. 2) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2009(5).”

6. In regulation 4(4) for “(4)” substitute “(6)”.

7. In regulation 5(2) (6) for “£825” substitute “£845”.

#### Commencement Information

- I2** [Reg. 2](#) in operation at 1.8.2020, see [reg. 1](#)
- I3** [Reg. 3](#) in operation at 1.8.2020, see [reg. 1](#)
- I4** [Reg. 4](#) in operation at 1.8.2020, see [reg. 1](#)
- I5** [Reg. 5](#) in operation at 1.8.2020, see [reg. 1](#)
- I6** [Reg. 6](#) in operation at 1.8.2020, see [reg. 1](#)
- I7** [Reg. 7](#) in operation at 1.8.2020, see [reg. 1](#)

#### Revocation

8. The Agriculture (Student fees) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2019(7) are revoked.

#### Commencement Information

- I8** [Reg. 8](#) in operation at 1.8.2020, see [reg. 1](#)

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs on 9th January 2020

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(5) [S.R. 2009 No.373](#); Schedule 2 was amended by [S.R. 2010 No. 383](#), [S.R. 2012 No. 62](#), [S.R. 2012 No. 398](#), [S.R. 2017 No. 7](#) and [S.R. 2019 No. 35](#)

(6) Regulation 5(2) was amended by [S.R. 2019 No.108](#)

(7) [S.R. 2019 No.108](#)

## EXPLANATORY NOTE

*(This note is not part of the Regulations)*

These Regulations amend the Agriculture (Student fees) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2007.

These Regulations increase the level of fee to be paid by persons undertaking a course of higher education provided by the Department of Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs as set out in Regulations 4 and 7.

Regulation 5 introduces a tuition fee for international students who first start a course of higher education provided by the Department of Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs on or after 1st August 2020 and provides a definition of ‘international students’ for the purpose of these regulations.

Regulation 6 re-numbers regulation 4(4) to regulation 4(6) as a result of regulation 4.

**Status:**

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**Changes to legislation:**

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