

Equalisation Payments.

THE MILK (EQUALISATION PAYMENTS) REGULATIONS (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1934, MADE BY THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE FOR NORTHERN IRELAND UNDER SUB-SECTION (1) OF SECTION NINE OF THE MILK AND MILK PRODUCTS ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1934 (24 AND 25 GEO. 5, CH. 16).

1934. No. 62.

The Ministry of Agriculture for Northern Ireland by virtue and in exercise of the powers conferred upon it by sub-section (1) of Section Nine of the Milk and Milk Products Act (Northern Ireland), 1934, and of every other power enabling it in that behalf hereby makes the following regulations, that is to say:—

1.—(1) In these regulations, unless the context otherwise requires:—

“ The Act ” means the Milk and Milk Products Act (Northern Ireland), 1934.

“ The Ministry ” means the Ministry of Agriculture for Northern Ireland.

Other expressions have the meanings respectively assigned to them in the Act.

(2) The Interpretation Act, 1889 (a), as applied to Northern Ireland by the Interpretation Act, 1921 (b), shall apply for the interpretation of these regulations as it applies for the interpretation of an Act of Parliament.

2. Equalisation payments in respect of milk produced in Northern Ireland and delivered to creameries and used for the purpose of the extraction of cream for sale as such or for manufacture into butter in any month shall be made by the Ministry as soon as may be after the average price paid by all creameries for such milk so used during that month has been ascertained.

3. The equalisation payment in respect of milk delivered to a creamery in any month shall, at the discretion of the Ministry, be made either (1) through the agency of the creamery, which shall distribute, as soon as may be, the total amount of the payment amongst the persons who delivered such milk, or (2) direct to the latter persons. Where payment is made through the agency of a creamery the amount to be paid to each such person shall be made on the basis of the butter-fat yield of the milk delivered by him to the creamery: Provided that the Ministry may in special circumstances authorise the equalisation payment to be made on the basis of the number of gallons delivered by a supplier to a creamery.

(a) 52-3 V., c. 63.

(b) 12 Geo. 5., c. 4 (N.I.)

4.—(1) An application for equalisation payment in respect of milk delivered to a central creamery in any month shall be made by such creamery in the form set out in the First Schedule to these Regulations ;

(2) An application for equalisation payment in respect of milk delivered to an auxiliary creamery in any month shall be made by such creamery in the form set out in the Second Schedule to these Regulations.

Save as hereinafter provided, each such application shall be duly completed and forwarded so as to reach the Ministry not later than the fourteenth day of the month following that to which the application relates.

Provided that applications for equalisation payments in respect of milk delivered to a creamery in the months of April, May, June and July, 1934, shall be made to the Ministry not later than the 20th day of August, 1934.

5. The equalisation payment in respect of milk delivered to a creamery in any month may be withheld—

- (i) if the price per gallon paid for such milk by such creamery is not, in the opinion of the Ministry, fair and reasonable, having regard to the costs of management and operation of the creamery and to the market values of cream and creamery butter ;
- (ii) if the percentage of butter-fat in the total quantity of such milk used by such creamery for the extraction of cream is, in the opinion of the Ministry, abnormally low, having regard to the season of the year and other circumstances affecting the production of milk.

6.—(1) As from the date on which the provisions of the Act with respect to the sale of milk according to grades of quality and with respect to the sale of milk under and in accordance with licences issued in pursuance of the Act shall come into operation, every creamery shall furnish to the Ministry in respect of each month a return in the form set out in the Third Schedule to these Regulations, showing (i) the names and addresses of all licensed producers from whom milk of Grade A or Grade B or Grade C was received and used by it during such month for the purpose of extraction of cream, for sale as such or for manufacture into butter, and (ii) the quantity thereof received in the case of each such producer.

(2) Each such return shall be duly completed and forwarded so as to reach the Ministry not later than the fourteenth day of the month following that to which the return relates.

7. Every creamery shall permit any duly authorised officer to inspect the account books, vouchers and other records kept by the creamery and to take such extracts therefrom as he may

deem necessary for the purpose of ensuring that these regulations are being complied with by such creamery. The creamery shall afford such facilities and assistance at each such inspection as the said officer may require.

8. In the event of a creamery failing to comply with these regulations the Ministry may withhold any equalisation payments which may otherwise be due in respect of milk delivered to such creamery.

9. These regulations may be cited as the Milk (Equalisation Payments) Regulations (Northern Ireland), 1934, and shall come into force on the date hereof.

In Witness whereof the Official Seal of the Ministry of Agriculture for Northern Ireland is hereunto affixed this sixteenth day of August, nineteen hundred and thirty-four, in the presence of

(L.S.)

G. S. Robertson,
Secretary.

FIRST SCHEDULE.

GOVERNMENT OF NORTHERN IRELAND.
MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE.

MILK AND MILK PRODUCTS ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1934.

Form of Application for Equalisation Payment in respect of the month ended.....19.....

Name of Central Creamery.....

1. Total number of milk suppliers
2. Total quantity of whole milk used for separation of cream for sale as such or for manufacture into butter gallons.
3. Total amount paid for whole milk so used £ : : (See Note 1.)
4. True average test per cent.
5. Total quantity of butter-fat produced from milk separated.....lbs.
6. Cream purchased.....gallons containing.....lbs. of butter-fat.
7. Cream sold.....gallons containing.....lbs. of butter-fat.
8. Butter produced on premises.....lbs. Produce figure.....(gallons of milk to 1 lb. of butter).
9. Summary of Accounts :—

NOTE.

1. This amount should include any cartage charges incurred by the creamery in the collection of whole milk.

<i>Expenditure.</i>			<i>Income.</i>		
	£	s. d.		£	s. d.
Stock at beginning of month :			Sales of Butter		
Cream	" " Cream .. ..	..	..
Butter.....lbs.	" " Separated Milk ..	..	..
Fixed Charges :			Equalisation receipts ..		
Salaries and Wages	Refund from suppliers of		
Rent, Rates and Insurance	cartage charges on milk		
Interest on Capital	incurred by the creamery		
Depreciation	Other Receipts .. ..	..	..
Reserve and New Capital			Stock at end of month :		
Accounts	Cream .. ..	..	..
Variable Charges :			Butter.....lbs. ..	..	..
Wages (extra staff)			
Cartage of milk from sup-					
pliers incurred by the					
creamery			
General Expenses			
Equalisation payments			
Other Expenditure			
Purchases :					
Whole Milk (See Note 2)					
Butter			
Separated Milk			
Cream			
Profit	Loss .. ..	..	..
	£			£	

Certified Correct.

Signature of Manager.....
Date.....

I hereby make application for equalisation payment under the Milk (Equalisation Payments) Regulations (Northern Ireland), 1934.

Signature of President,
Vice-President, or other
member of Committee
(or Owner in case of a
proprietary creamery).....
Date.....

SECOND SCHEDULE.

GOVERNMENT OF NORTHERN IRELAND.
MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE.

MILK AND MILK PRODUCTS ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1934.

Form of Application for Equalisation Payment in respect of the month ended.....19.....

Name of Auxiliary Creamery.....

1. Total number of milk suppliers
2. Total quantity of whole milk used for separation of cream for sale as such or for manufacture into butter gallons.
3. Total amount paid for whole milk so used £ : : (See Note 1.)
4. True average test per cent.

NOTE.

1. This amount should include any cartage charges incurred by the creamery in the collection of whole milk
2. This amount should not include any equalisation payments distributed.

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5. Total quantity of butter-fat produced from milk separated.....lbs.
6. Cream purchased.....gallons containing.....lbs. of butter-fat.
7. Cream sold.....gallons containing.....lbs. of butter-fat.
8. Summary of Accounts:—

<i>Expenditure.</i>	£	s.	d.	<i>Income.</i>	£	s.	d.
Stock at beginning of month:				Sales of Cream			
Cream				" " Separated Milk			
Fixed Charges:				Equalisation receipts			
Salaries and Wages				Refund from suppliers of			
Rent, Rates and Insurance				cartage charges on milk			
Interest on Capital				incurred by the creamery			
Depreciation				Other Receipts			
Reserve and New Capital				Stock at end of month:			
Accounts				Cream			
Variable Charges:							
Wages (extra staff)							
Cartage of milk from sup-							
pliers incurred by the							
creamery							
General Expenses							
Equalisation payments							
Other Expenditure							
Purchases:							
Whole Milk (See Note 2)							
Separated Milk							
Cream							
Profit				Loss			
	£				£		

Certified Correct.

Signature of Manager.....
Date.....

I hereby make application for equalisation payment under the Milk (Equalisation Payments) Regulations (Northern Ireland), 1934.

Signature of President,
Vice-President, or other
member of Committee
(or Owner in case of a
proprietary creamery).....
Date.....

THIRD SCHEDULE.

GOVERNMENT OF NORTHERN IRELAND.
MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE.

MILK AND MILK PRODUCTS ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1934.

Form of Return as prescribed by Article 6 (1) of the Milk (Equalisation Payments) Regulations (Northern Ireland), 1934, in respect of the month ended.....19.....

Name and Address of Producer.	Quantity (in gallons) of milk supplied during month.	For use in Ministry.

I hereby declare that the above return is correct.
Signature of Manager.....
Date.....

NOTE:

2. This amount should not include any equalisation payments distributed.