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AGRICULTURE

Payment of Bonuses for Carcase Quality

SCHEME, DATED 19TH DAY OF NOVEMBER 1973, MADE BY THE SECRETARY OF STATE UNDER SECTION 1 OF THE AGRICULTURE (TEMPORARY ASSISTANCE) ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND) 1954 AS AMENDED BY THE AGRICULTURE (TEMPORARY ASSISTANCE) (AMENDMENT) ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND) 1957.

WHEREAS by section 1(1) of the Agriculture (Temporary Assistance) Act (Northern Ireland) 1954(a) the Minister of Agriculture with the approval of the Minister of Finance may make schemes whereby for the purpose of assisting the agricultural industry in Northern Ireland the Ministry of Agriculture may make payments to or for the benefit (whether direct or indirect) of farmers producing any produce specified in the Scheme:

AND WHEREAS by section 1(4) of the Agriculture (Temporary Assistance) Act (Northern Ireland) 1954 a Scheme made under that Act may be varied or revoked by a subsequent Scheme made under that Act:

AND WHEREAS by sub-section 1(a) of section 1 of the Northern Ireland (Temporary Provisions) Act 1972(b) it is provided that so long as that section has effect all functions which apart from that Act belong to any Minister of Northern Ireland shall be discharged by the Secretary of State:

NOW, THEREFORE, the Secretary of State in exercise of the powers conferred upon him by section 1 of the Agriculture (Temporary Assistance) Act (Northern Ireland) 1954 as amended by the Agriculture (Temporary Assistance) (Amendment) Act (Northern Ireland) 1957(c) and by section 1(1) of the Northern Ireland (Temporary Provisions) Act 1972 and of all other powers enabling him in that behalf hereby makes the following Scheme:—

Short title and commencement

1.—(1) This Scheme may be cited as the Carcase Quality Bonus (Amendment) Scheme (Northern Ireland) 1973 and shall come into operation on 19th November 1973.

(2) This Scheme shall be construed as one with the Carcase Quality Bonus Scheme (Northern Ireland) 1973(d) hereinafter referred to as “the principal Scheme”.

Amendment of the principal Scheme

2.—(1) The principal Scheme shall be amended as follows:—

(1) In Article 3 after the definition of “graded” there shall be added the following definition:—

““kidney knob and channel fat” means kidney fat plus kidney and the fat in the pelvic cavity;”.

(a) 1954. c. 31.
(b) 1972. c. 22.

(c) 1957. c. 3.
(d) S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1973, No. 87.

- (2) In paragraph 4 of Schedule 1 after the words "set out below" there shall be added:—

"Carcases may be dressed either with the kidney knob and channel fat completely removed or with the kidney knob and channel fat left in. If dressed with the kidney knob and channel fat removed the dressed carcase weights referred to in sub-paragraphs (a) and (b) of paragraph 2 and sub-paragraphs (a) and (b) of paragraph 3 and in Schedule 2 shall be reduced by 15 lb."

- (3) In paragraph 4 of Schedule 1 the following words shall be deleted:—

"11. Genito-urinary organs, excluding kidneys. (When the kidneys are removed before the carcase is weighed, an addition of 3 lb. shall be made to the carcase weight)"

and there shall be substituted therefor:—

"11. Genito-urinary organs, excluding kidneys (except where kidney knob and channel fat are removed). Where the kidney fat and channel fat are left in but the kidneys have been removed before weighing an addition of 3 lb. shall be made to the carcase weight"

- (4) In paragraph 4 of Schedule 1 the following words shall be deleted:—

"(e) No channel or kidney fat shall be removed unless a corresponding addition to the weight is made;"

and there shall be substituted therefor:

"(e) Where kidney knob and channel fat are removed they shall be removed in their entirety. Where they are not removed they shall not be subject to any trimming unless a corresponding addition is made to the carcase weight;"

Dated this 19th day of November 1973.

W. S. I. Whitelaw,
One of Her Majesty's Principal
Secretaries of State.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Scheme, but is intended to indicate its general purport.)

This Scheme reduces the minimum qualifying weight of the different categories of carcase by 15 lb. for those carcasses where the kidney knob and channel fat have been removed.