SCOTTISH STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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The Oil and Fibre Plant Seed (Scotland) Regulations 2004

PART III

PROCEDURES FOR ISSUING OFFICIAL CERTIFICATES

Sampling

15.—(1) A sample of seed taken for the purposes of an official examination shall be taken-

- (a) (i) by a European Authority; or
 - (ii) by a licensed seed sampler in accordance with the terms of the licensed seed sampler's licence;
- (b) in accordance with the methods specified in Part I of Schedule 5; and
- (c) from a homogeneous seed lot.

(2) If a sample from a seed lot submitted or taken for the purpose of an official examination-

- (a) is found not to have been taken in accordance with paragraph (1);
- (b) is taken from a seed lot which, subject to paragraph 23 of Part II of Schedule 5, does not comply with paragraph 22 of Part II of Schedule 5;
- (c) is not a submitted sample; or
- (d) is otherwise found not to have been taken in accordance with the seeds regulations,

no, or no further, official examination of that sample shall be made under these Regulations, and any findings or results obtained in the course of any official examination of that sample, or from inspecting plants grown in a plot which has been sown with seed from that sample, shall be deemed to be null and void and shall be disregarded.

(3) For the avoidance of doubt, the provisions of this regulation apply for the purposes of issuing a breeder's confirmation, as they do for the purposes of issuing an official certificate.