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SCOTTISH STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**2014 No. 338**

**PLANT HEALTH**

**The Plant Health (Import Inspection  
Fees) (Scotland) Regulations 2014**

*Made* - - - - 26th November 2014  
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Parliament* - - - - 1st December 2014  
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The Scottish Ministers make the following Regulations in exercise of the powers conferred by section 56(1) and (2) of the Finance Act 1973<sup>(1)</sup> and section 2(2) of, and paragraph 1A of Schedule 2 to, the European Communities Act 1972<sup>(2)</sup> and all other powers enabling them to do so.

These Regulations make provision for a purpose mentioned in section 2(2) of the European Communities Act 1972, and it appears to the Scottish Ministers that it is expedient for references to Annex V, Part B of Council [Directive 2000/29/EC](#)<sup>(3)</sup>, to be a reference to those provisions of that instrument as amended from time to time.

**Citation, commencement and extent**

1.—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the Plant Health (Import Inspection Fees) (Scotland) Regulations 2014 and come into force on 15th January 2015.

(2) These Regulations extend to Scotland only.

**Interpretation**

2.—(1) In these Regulations—

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- (1) [1973 c.51](#). The reference to a Government department in section 56(1) is to be read as a reference to the Scottish Administration by virtue of article 2(2) of the Scotland Act (Consequential Modifications) (No. 2) Order 1999 ([S.I. 1999/1820](#)) and the functions of the Minister transferred to the Scottish Ministers by virtue of section 53 of the Scotland Act 1998 ([c.46](#)). The requirement to obtain the consent of the Treasury was removed by section 55 of the Scotland Act 1998.
- (2) [1972 c.68](#) (“the 1972 Act”). Section 2(2) was amended by the Scotland Act 1998 ([c.46](#)), Schedule 8, paragraph 15(3) (which was amended by section 27(4) of the Legislative and Regulatory Reform Act 2006 ([c.51](#)) (“the 2006 Act”). Section 2(2) was also amended by section 27(1)(a) of the 2006 Act and by the European Union Amendment Act 2008 ([c.7](#)), Schedule, Part 1. The functions conferred upon the Minister of the Crown under section 2(2) of the 1972 Act, in so far as within devolved competence, were transferred to the Scottish Ministers by virtue of section 53 of the Scotland Act 1998. The powers in section 2(2) are exercised in relation to regulation 6 of these Regulations. Paragraph 1A of Schedule 2 was inserted by section 28 of the 2006 Act and was amended by the 2008 Act, section 3(3) and Schedule, Part 1.
- (3) OJ L 169, 10.7.2000, p.1, as last amended by Regulation (EU) No 652/2014 (OJ L 189, 27.6.2014, p.1).

“applicable checks” means the documentary check, identity check and plant health check which may be performed on a consignment, as described in Article 13a(1)(b) of the Directive;

“consignment” has the same meaning as in Article 2(1)(p) of the Directive;

“the Directive” means Council [Directive 2000/29/EC](#) on protective measures against the introduction into the Community of organisms harmful to plants or plant products and against their spread within the Community<sup>(4)</sup>;

“intended for planting” has, in relation to plants, the same meaning as in Article 2(1)(d) of the Directive;

“landed in Scotland” means introduced into Scotland by any means, including by post;

“normal working hours” means any time between the hours of 6 a.m. to 5 p.m. on any day except—

- (a) a Saturday;
- (b) a Sunday;
- (c) Easter Monday;
- (d) 26th December, if it is not a Saturday or Sunday;
- (e) 27th December, in a year in which 25th or 26th December is a Sunday; or
- (f) a day which is a bank holiday in Scotland under the Banking and Financial Dealings Act 1971<sup>(5)</sup>;

“plants” has the same meaning as in Article 2(1)(a) of the Directive;

“plant health check” has the same meaning as in Article 13a(1)(b)(iii) of the Directive;

“plant products” has the same meaning as in Article 2(1)(b) of the Directive; and

“third country” means a country or territory other than one within the European Union.

(2) A reference in these Regulations to anything done in writing or produced in written form includes a reference to an electronic communication, as defined in section 15(1) of the Electronic Communications Act 2000<sup>(6)</sup>, which has been recorded and is consequently capable of being reproduced.

### **Application of the import inspection fee**

**3.—(1)** In respect of applicable checks which are carried out on a consignment, or on such part of a consignment, to which this regulation applies, an importer must pay to the Scottish Ministers the fee specified in regulation 4.

(2) This regulation applies to a consignment, or to such part of a consignment, which—

- (a) consists of—
  - (i) plants, plant products and other objects of a description specified in the second column of Schedule 1 and that are listed in Annex V, Part B of the Directive, as amended from time to time; or
  - (ii) seeds of Solanaceae<sup>(7)</sup>; and

(4) OJ L 169, 10.7.2000, p.1, as last amended by Regulation (EU) No 652/2014 (OJ L 189, 27.6.2014, p.1).

(5) [1971 c.80](#).

(6) [2000 c.7](#). Section 15(1) was amended by the Communications Act 2003 (c.21) section 406 and Schedule 17, paragraph 158.

(7) Seeds of Solanaceae are not currently included in Annex V Part B of the Directive however they are included in Annex IV Part A (items 25.6 and 48), which means that plant health, documentary and identity checks (as described in Article 13a of the Directive) are required for the purposes of Article 13(1).

- (b) is landed in Scotland from a third country or is the subject of an agreement made under article 12(6) of the Plant Health (Scotland) Order 2005<sup>(8)</sup>.

## **Fees**

4.—(1) Except where paragraph (2) applies, the fee specified for applicable checks carried out—

- (a) during normal working hours, is the fee specified in the fourth column of Schedule 1 and corresponding to the relevant plants, plant products or other objects as described in the second column of that Schedule; or
- (b) outside normal working hours, is the fee specified in the fifth column of Schedule 1 and corresponding to the relevant plants, plant products or other objects as described in the second column of that Schedule.

(2) In the case of a consignment, or such part of a consignment, consisting of any plants or plant products listed in the second column of Schedule 2 and originating from a country listed in the fourth column of that Schedule, the fee specified for applicable checks carried out, or which, but for Article 13a(2) of the Directive (providing for checks to be carried out at reduced frequency<sup>(9)</sup>), would have been required to be carried out—

- (a) during normal working hours, is the fee specified in the fifth column of Schedule 2 and corresponding to the relevant plants or plant products as described in the second column of that Schedule; or
- (b) outside normal working hours, is the fee specified in the sixth column of Schedule 2 and corresponding to the relevant plants or plant products as described in the second column of that Schedule.

## **Additional fees in respect of Potatoes Originating in Egypt and Lebanon**

5.—(1) Where paragraph (2) or (3) applies, an importer must pay to the Scottish Ministers the fee specified in the fourth column of Schedule 3, in addition to any fee payable in accordance with regulations 3 and 4.

(2) This paragraph applies where potatoes originating in Egypt are landed in Scotland and a sample of those potatoes is taken in order to ascertain whether, for the purposes of point 5 of the Annex to Commission Implementing Decision 2011/787/EU authorising Member States temporarily to take emergency measures against the dissemination of *Ralstonia solanacearum* (Smith) Yabuuchi et al. as regards Egypt<sup>(10)</sup>, those potatoes are infected with *Ralstonia solanacearum* (Smith) Yabuuchi et al..

(3) This paragraph applies where potatoes originating in Lebanon are landed in Scotland and a sample of those potatoes is taken in order to ascertain whether for the purposes of Article 4 of Commission Implementing Decision 2013/413/EU authorising Member States to provide for derogations from certain provisions of Council Directive 2000/29/EC in respect of potatoes, other than potatoes intended for planting, originating in the regions of Akkar and Bekaa of Lebanon<sup>(11)</sup>, those potatoes are infected with *Clavibacter michiganensis* (Smith) Davis et al. ssp. *sepedonicus* (Spieckermann and Kotthoff) Davis et al..

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<sup>(8)</sup> S.S.I. 2005/613, as last amended by S.S.I. 2014/140.

<sup>(9)</sup> Article 2(3) of Commission Regulation (EC) 1756/2004 (OJ L 313, 12.10.2004, p.6) requires the Commission to publish a list of the products for which plant health checks may be carried out at a reduced frequency. The latest list is available on the following Website:

[http://ec.europa.eu/food/plant/plant\\_health\\_biosafety/trade\\_non\\_eu/reduced\\_frequency\\_checks\\_en.htm](http://ec.europa.eu/food/plant/plant_health_biosafety/trade_non_eu/reduced_frequency_checks_en.htm)

<sup>(10)</sup> OJ L 319, 2.12.2011, p.112.

<sup>(11)</sup> OJ L 205, 1.08.2013, p.13.

## Revocations

- 6.—(1) Subject to paragraph (2), the following regulations are revoked:—
- (a) regulation 6 of the Potatoes Originating in Egypt (Scotland) Regulations 2004**(12)**;
  - (b) the Plant Health (Import Inspection Fees) (Scotland) Regulations 2005**(13)**;
  - (c) the Plant Health (Import Inspection Fees) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2007**(14)**;
  - (d) the Plant Health (Import Inspection Fees) (Scotland) Amendment (No. 2) Regulations 2007**(15)**;
  - (e) the Plant Health (Import Inspection Fees) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2009**(16)**;
  - (f) the Plant Health (Import Inspection Fees) (Scotland) Amendment (No. 2) Regulations 2009**(17)**;
  - (g) the Plant Health (Import Inspection Fees) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2010**(18)**;  
and
  - (h) the Plant Health (Import Inspection Fees) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2011**(19)**.

(2) Despite paragraph (1), an importer must pay to the Scottish Ministers any fee which is payable under regulation 6 of the Potatoes Originating in Egypt (Scotland) Regulations 2004 or regulation 4 of the Plant Health (Import Inspection Fees) (Scotland) Regulations 2005 in respect of a consignment, or part of a consignment, which was landed in Scotland prior to the coming into force of these Regulations.

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**(12)** S.S.I. 2004/111.  
**(13)** S.S.I. 2005/216.  
**(14)** S.S.I. 2007/138 .  
**(15)** S.S.I. 2007/499.  
**(16)** S.S.I. 2009/8.  
**(17)** S.S.I. 2009/305.  
**(18)** S.S.I. 2010/405.  
**(19)** S.S.I. 2011/311.

## SCHEDULE 1

Regulations 3 and 4(1)

## IMPORT INSPECTION FEES FOR APPLICABLE CHECKS

Item	Plants, plant products or other objects	Quantity	Fee <sup>(*)</sup>	
			Normal working hours	Outside normal working hours
1	Cuttings, seedlings (except forestry reproductive material), young plants of strawberries or of vegetables	Per consignment— up to 10,000 in number for each additional 1,000 units (or part thereof)	£42 £0.80 up to a maximum of £168	£66 £1.50 up to a maximum of £318
2	Shrubs, trees (other than cut Christmas trees), other woody nursery plants including forestry reproductive material (other than seed)	Per consignment— up to 1,000 in number for each additional 100 units (or part thereof)	£42 £0.50 up to a maximum of £168	£66 £1.00 up to a maximum of £318
3	Bulbs, corms, rhizomes, tubers, intended for planting (other than tubers of potatoes)	Per consignment— up to 200kg in weight for each additional 10kg (or part thereof)	£42 £0.20 up to a maximum of £168	£66 £0.40 up to a maximum of £318
4	Seeds, tissue cultures	Per consignment— up to 100kg in weight for each additional 10kg (or part thereof)	£42 £0.50 up to a maximum of £168	£66 £0.90 up to a maximum of £318
5	Other plants intended for planting, not specified elsewhere in this table	Per consignment— up to 5,000 in number for each additional 100 units (or part thereof)	£42 £0.20 up to a maximum of £168	£66 £0.40 up to a maximum of £318
6	Cut flowers	Per consignment— up to 20,000 in number for each additional 1,000 units (or part thereof)	£42 £0.20 up to a maximum of £168	£66 £0.30 up to a maximum of £318

(\*) Fee includes a documentary check and an identity check.

Note: fees are rounded up to the nearest pound, with the exception of the additional quantity values which are rounded up to the nearest decimal point.

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Item	Plants, plant products or other objects	Quantity	Fee <sup>(*)</sup>	
			Normal working hours	Outside normal working hours
7	Branches with foliage, parts of conifers (other than cut Christmas trees)	Per consignment— up to 200kg in weight for each additional 100kg (or part thereof)	£42 £1.80 up to a maximum of £168	£66 £3.60 up to a maximum of £318
8	Cut Christmas trees	Per consignment— up to 1,000 in number for each additional 100 units (or part thereof)	£42 £1.80 up to a maximum of £168	£66 £3.60 up to a maximum of £318
9	Leaves of plants, such as herbs, spices and leafy vegetables	Per consignment - up to 100kg in weight for each additional 10kg (or part thereof)	£42 £1.80 up to a maximum of £168	£66 £3.60 up to a maximum of £318
10	Fruits, vegetables (other than leafy vegetables)	Per consignment - up to 25,000kg in weight for each additional 1,000kg (or part thereof)	£42 £0.80	£66 £1.50
11	Tubers of potatoes	Per lot - up to 25,000kg in weight for each additional 25,000kg (or part thereof)	£76 £52	£108 £78
12	Soil and growing medium, bark	Per consignment - up to 25,000kg in weight for each additional 1,000kg (or part thereof)	£42 £0.80 up to a maximum of £168	£66 £1.50 up to a maximum of £318
13	Grain	Per consignment - up to 25,000kg in weight for each additional 1,000kg (or part thereof)	£42 £0.80 up to a maximum of £168	£66 £1.50 up to a maximum of £318

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<i>Item</i>	<i>Plants, products or other objects</i>	<i>plant</i> <i>Quantity</i>	<i>Fee<sup>(*)</sup></i>	
			<i>Normal working hours</i>	<i>Outside normal working hours</i>
14	Other plants or plant products not specified elsewhere in this table	per consignment	£42	£66

(\*) Fee includes a documentary check and an identity check.

Note: fees are rounded up to the nearest pound, with the exception of the additional quantity values which are rounded up to the nearest decimal point.

SCHEDULE 2

Regulations 3 and 4(2)

IMPORT INSPECTION FEES FOR APPLICABLE CHECKS (REDUCED RATES)

<i>Item</i>	<i>Plants/ plant Products</i>	<i>Quantity</i>	<i>Country of Origin</i>	<i>Fees<sup>(*)</sup></i>	
				<i>Normal working hours</i>	<i>Outside normal working hours</i>
Cut Flowers	<i>Dianthus</i>	up to 20,000 in number	Columbia	£24.60	£31.10
			Ecuador	£26.70	£35.40
			Kenya	£24.90	£31.80
			Turkey	£28.50	£39.00
		for each additional 1,000 units	Columbia	£0.01	£0.01
			Ecuador	£0.03	£0.05
			Kenya	£0.01	£0.02
			Turkey	£0.05	£0.08
		maximum price	Columbia	£28.40	£38.70
			Ecuador	£45.60	£73.20
			Kenya	£31.20	£44.40
			Turkey	£60.00	£102.00
<i>Phoenix</i>	up to 20,000 in number	Costa Rica	£30.30	£42.60	
			for each additional 1,000 units	£0.07	£0.11
			maximum price	£74.40	£130.80

(\*) Fee includes a documentary check and an identity check.

Note: fees are rounded up to the nearest decimal point, with the exception of the additional quantity values, which are rounded up to the nearest penny.

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Item	Plants/ plant Products	Quantity	Country of Origin	Fees(*)	
				Normal working hours	Outside normal working hours
Fruit	Rosa	up to 20,000 in number	Columbia, Ecuador	£24.60	£31.10
			Ethiopia	£25.80	£33.60
			Kenya	£24.90	£31.80
			Tanzania, Zambia	£26.70	£35.40
		for each additional 1,000 units	Columbia, Ecuador	£0.01	£0.01
			Ethiopia	£0.02	£0.03
			Kenya	£0.01	£0.02
			Tanzania, Zambia	£0.03	£0.05
		maximum price	Columbia, Ecuador	£28.40	£38.70
			Ethiopia	£38.40	£58.80
			Kenya	£31.20	£44.40
			Tanzania, Zambia	£45.60	£73.20
Citrus	Citrus	up to 25,000kg in weight	Egypt, USA	£26.70	£35.40
			Israel, Mexico, Peru	£25.80	£33.60
			Morocco	£24.90	£31.80
			Tunisia, Uruguay	£37.50	£57.00
			Turkey	£24.60	£31.10
		for each additional 1,000kg	Egypt, USA	£0.12	£0.23
			Israel, Mexico, Peru	£0.08	£0.15
			Morocco	£0.04	£0.08
			Tunisia, Uruguay	£0.60	£1.13
			Turkey	£0.03	£0.05

(\*) Fee includes a documentary check and an identity check.

Note: fees are rounded up to the nearest decimal point, with the exception of the additional quantity values, which are rounded up to the nearest penny.



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Item	Plants/ plant Products	Quantity	Country of Origin	Fees(*)	
				Normal working hours	Outside normal working hours
	<i>Malus</i>	up to 25,000kg in weight	Argentina, Brazil	£28.50	£39.00
			Chile, South Africa	£24.90	£31.80
			New Zealand	£25.80	£33.60
			USA	£33.00	£48.00
	for each additional 1,000kg	Argentina, Brazil	£0.20	£0.38	
		Chile, South Africa	£0.04	£0.08	
		New Zealand	£0.08	£0.15	
		USA	£0.40	£0.75	
<i>Passiflora</i>	up to 25,000kg in weight	Columbia	£25.80	£33.60	
		Kenya			
		South Africa	£30.30	£42.60	
		Zimbabwe	£37.50	£57.00	
for each additional 1,000kg	Columbia	£0.08	£0.15		
	Kenya				
	South Africa	£0.28	£0.53		
	Zimbabwe	£0.60	£1.13		
<i>Prunus</i>	up to 25,000kg in weight	Argentina, Morocco	£33.00	£48.00	
		Chile, South Africa, Turkey, USA	£25.80	£33.60	
	for each additional 1,000kg	Argentina, Morocco	£0.40	£0.75	
		Chile, South Africa, Turkey, USA	£0.08	£0.15	
<i>Psidium</i>	Up to 25,000kg in weight	Brazil	£37.50	£57.00	

(\*) Fee includes a documentary check and an identity check.

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Item	Plants/ plant Products	Quantity	Country of Origin	Fees(*)	
				Normal working hours	Outside normal working hours
		for each additional 1,000kg		£0.60	£1.13
Vegetables	Pyrus	up to 25,000kg in weight	Argentina, South Africa	£25.80	£33.60
			Chile	£26.70	£35.40
			China	£33.00	£48.00
	Pyrus	for each additional 1,000kg	Argentina, South Africa	£0.08	£0.15
			Chile	£0.12	£0.23
			China	£0.40	£0.75
Vaccinium	up to 25,000kg in weight	Argentina	£28.50	£39.00	
	for each additional 1,000kg		£0.20	£0.38	
Vegetables	Capsicum	up to 25,000kg in weight	Israel	£24.90	£31.80
			Morocco	£25.80	£33.60
	Capsicum	for each additional 1,000kg	Israel	£0.04	£0.08
			Morocco	£0.08	£0.15
	Momordica	up to 25,000kg in weight	Surinam	£30.30	£42.60
		for each additional 1,000kg		£0.28	£0.53
Solanum Melongena	up to 25,000kg in weight	Kenya, Turkey	£25.80	£33.60	
	for each additional 1,000kg		£0.08	£0.15	

(\*) Fee includes a documentary check and an identity check.

Note: fees are rounded up to the nearest decimal point, with the exception of the additional quantity values, which are rounded up to the nearest penny.

SCHEDULE 3

Regulation 5

ADDITIONAL FEES

Item	Plants, plant products or other objects	Quantity <sup>(*)</sup>	Fee
1	Potatoes originating in Egypt or Lebanon.	up to 25,000kg in weight	£152
		for each 25,000kg (or part thereof)	£152

(\*) A sample of 200 tubers will for be taken for each 25,000kg lot

## EXPLANATORY NOTE

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

These Regulations implement Article 13d of Council [Directive 2000/29/EC](#) (OJ L 169, 10.7.2000, p.1) which requires a member State to ensure the collection of fees to cover the costs occasioned by the documentary checks, identity checks and plant health checks of certain imports of plants, plant products and other objects from third countries which are required by Article 13a(1) of the Directive. These Regulations revoke and replace the Plant Health (Import Inspection Fees) (Scotland) Regulations 2005 ([S.S.I. 2005/216](#)) (“the 2005 Regulations”). These Regulations consolidate amendments made to the 2005 Regulations and also increase the level of the applicable fees. They also make provision for additional fees in respect of potatoes originating in Egypt or Lebanon.

Regulation 3 requires the payment of a fee for documentary, identity and plant health checks (“applicable checks”) performed on consignments, or parts of consignments, consisting of plants, plant products and other objects, which are landed in Scotland from a country outside the European Union, or which are in transit within the Union and in respect of which the Scottish Ministers have agreed with the official body of the point of entry of those goods to be responsible for certain matters (under article 12(6) of the Plant Health (Scotland) Order 2005 ([S.S.I. 2005/613](#))). The fees are specified in regulation 4. Except where reduced import inspection fees apply (regulation 4(2)), an importer is required to pay the fee specified in Schedule 1 for applicable checks carried out on those consignments (regulation 3(1), 4(1) and Schedule 1). The fee in Schedule 1 is a single fee. In the 2005 Regulations, the fees for plant health checks, documentary checks and identity checks were prescribed separately. The fees prescribed in Schedule 1 to these Regulations are also higher than the fees prescribed in Schedule 1 to the 2005 Regulations.

Table A provides a comparison of the fees:—

**TABLE A**

	Fee in 2005 Regulations (for plant health check only) <sup>(1)</sup>		New Fee (for applicable checks)	
	Normal working hours	Outside normal working hours	Normal working hours	Outside normal working hours
Tubers of potatoes	<b>£39.72</b> for each 25,000kg	<b>£59.58</b> for each 25,000kg	<b>£76</b> for the first 25,000kg and <b>£52</b> for each 25,000kg thereafter	<b>£108</b> for the first 25,000kg and <b>£78</b> for each 25,000kg thereafter
All other entries listed in Schedule 1	<b>£13.24</b> for a standard consignment size (specified per entry)	<b>£19.86</b> for a standard consignment size (specified per entry)	<b>£42</b> for a standard consignment size (specified per entry)	<b>£66</b> for a standard consignment size (specified per entry)

- (1) Additional fees for documentary check (£5.29) and identity check (£5.29 for truck load size or £10.58 for larger load) require to be added to the plant health check fee on each consignment. These fees were prescribed in Schedule 3 to the 2005 Regulations.
- (2) There is no maximum price for plants, plant products or other objects falling within the description “Fruits, vegetables (other than leafy vegetables)” in Schedule 1.

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	Fee in 2005 Regulations (for plant health check only) <sup>(1)</sup>		New Fee (for applicable checks)	
	Normal working hours	Outside normal working hours	Normal working hours	Outside normal working hours
	Up to a maximum of <b>£105.92</b> may be charged for additional units <sup>(2)</sup>	Up to a maximum of <b>£158.88</b> may be charged for additional units	Up to a maximum of <b>£168</b> may be charged for additional units	Up to a maximum of <b>£318</b> may be charged for additional units
	Additional fees per consignment (Schedule 3 of the 2005 Regulations): Documentary Check: <b>£5.29</b> Identity Check: <b>£5.29</b> (for up to truck load size) or <b>£10.58</b> (for larger load)			

- (1) Additional fees for documentary check (£5.29) and identity check (£5.29 for truck load size or £10.58 for larger load) require to be added to the plant health check fee on each consignment. These fees were prescribed in Schedule 3 to the 2005 Regulations.
- (2) There is no maximum price for plants, plant products or other objects falling within the description “Fruits, vegetables (other than leafy vegetables)” in Schedule 1.

Regulation 4(2) and Schedule 2 prescribe the reduced import inspection fees which apply (whether or not a plant health inspection is in fact carried out) in respect of applicable checks of certain cut flowers, fruits and vegetables originating in the countries specified in Schedule 2. The fee in Schedule 2 to these Regulations is a single fee. In the 2005 Regulations the documentary, identity and plant health checks were subject to separate fees. Pursuant to Article 2 of Commission Regulation (EC) 1756/2004 (OJ L 313, 12.10.2004, p.6) the European Commission notifies member States of the items which should be subject to reduced inspection and of the rate of such inspection. Schedule 2 takes account of the most recent Commission Notification on reduced inspection rates as published on the following Website: [http://ec.europa.eu/food/plant/plant\\_health\\_biosafety/trade\\_non\\_eu/reduced\\_frequency\\_checks\\_en.htm](http://ec.europa.eu/food/plant/plant_health_biosafety/trade_non_eu/reduced_frequency_checks_en.htm).

Schedule 2 also increases the fees which are payable.

Table B provides a comparison of the fees:—

**TABLE B**

Genus	Country of Origin	Reduced Rate Fee in 2005 Regulations <sup>(1)</sup> (for plant health check only) <sup>(2)</sup>	New reduced Rate Fee <sup>(3)</sup> (for applicable checks)	Rate of Inspection in Period 01.10.2014 – 2015)
<b>Cut Flowers</b>				

- (1) Fee is per consignment of up to 20,000 cut flowers and up to 25,000kg of fruit and vegetables and relate to checks carried out during normal working hours. Fees for additional quantities and the maximum fee per consignment are also prescribed in Schedule 2, together with corresponding fees for checks carried out outside normal working hours.
- (2) Additional fees for documentary check (£5.29) and identity check (£5.29 for truck load size or £10.58 for larger load) require to be added to the plant health check fee on each consignment. These fees were prescribed in Schedule 3 to the 2005 Regulations.
- (3) Fee is per consignment of up to 20,000 cut flowers and up to 25,000kg of fruit and vegetables and relate to checks carried out during normal working hours. Fees for additional quantities and the maximum fee per consignment are also prescribed in Schedule 2, together with corresponding fees for checks carried out outside normal working hours.

Genus	Country of Origin	Reduced Rate Fee in 2005 Regulations <sup>(1)</sup> (for plant health check only) <sup>(2)</sup>	New reduced Rate Fee <sup>(3)</sup> (for applicable checks)	Rate of Inspection in Period 01.10.2014 – 2015)
<i>Dianthus</i>	Columbia	£0.66	£24.60	3%
	Ecuador	£1.98	£26.70	15%
	Kenya	£0.66	£24.90	5%
	Turkey	£3.31	£28.50	25%
<i>Phoenix</i>	Costa Rica		£30.30	35%
<i>Rosa</i>	Columbia	£0.39	£24.60	3%
	Ecuador	£0.39	£24.60	3%
	Ethiopia	£0.66	£25.80	10%
	Kenya	£0.66	£24.90	5%
	Tanzania	£1.32	£26.70	15%
	Zambia	£3.31	£26.70	15%
<b>Fruits</b>				
<i>Citrus</i>	Egypt	£1.98	£26.70	15%
	Israel	£1.98	£25.80	10%
	Mexico	£3.31	£25.80	10%
	Morocco	£0.66	£24.90	5%
	Peru	£4.63	£25.80	10%
	Tunisia		£37.50	75%
	Turkey	£0.39	£24.60	3%
	Uruguay	£1.98	£37.50	75%
	USA	£1.98	£26.70	15%
<i>Malus</i>	Argentina	£1.32	£28.50	25%
	Brazil	£1.98	£28.50	25%
	Chile	£0.92	£24.90	5%

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	New Zealand	£1.32	£25.80	10%
	South Africa	£1.32	£24.90	5%
	USA	£3.31	£33.00	50%
<i>Passiflora</i>	Colombia	£1.32	£25.80	10%
	Kenya	£1.32	£25.80	10%
	South Africa	£6.62	£30.30	35%
	Zimbabwe	£4.63	£37.50	75%
<i>Prunus</i>	Argentina	£4.63	£33.00	50%
	Chile	£1.32	£25.80	10%
	Morocco		£33.00	50%
	South Africa	£1.32	£25.80	10%
	Turkey	£1.32	£25.80	10%
	USA	£3.31	£25.80	10%
<i>Psidium</i>	Brazil		£37.50	75%
<i>Pyrus</i>	Argentina	£1.98	£25.80	10%
	Chile	£4.63	£26.70	15%
	China	£4.63	£33.00	50%
	South Africa	£1.32	£25.80	10%
<i>Vaccinium</i>	Argentina		£28.50	25%
<b>Vegetables</b>				
<i>Capsicum</i>	Israel		£24.90	5%
	Morocco		£25.80	10%
<i>Momordica</i>	Surinam		£30.30	35%
<i>Solanum</i>	Kenya		£25.80	10%

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The Regulations also make provision for two additional fees in respect of sampling of potatoes. Regulations 5(1) and (2) and Schedule 3 prescribe a fee for the taking of samples of potatoes originating in Egypt in order to test for the presence of *Ralstonia solanacearum* (Smith) Yabuuchi et al., in accordance with point 5 of the Annex to Commission Implementing Decision (EU) No 787/2011 (OJ L 319, 02.12.2011, p.112). This fee was formerly prescribed by regulation 6 of the Potatoes Originating in Egypt (Scotland) Regulations 2004 (S.S.I. 2004/111). Regulation 7(1)(a) and (2) of these Regulations revokes that provision with savings.

Regulation 5(1) and (3) and Schedule 3 also introduce a fee for the taking of samples of potatoes originating in Lebanon in order to test for the presence of *Clavibacter michiganensis* (Smith) Davis et al. ssp. *sepedonicus* (Spieckermann and Kotthoff) Davis et al. in accordance with Article 4 of Commission Implementing Decision (EU) No 413/2013 (OJ L 205, 01.08.2013, p.13).

Regulation 6 revokes the 2005 Regulations, and subsequent amending regulations, with savings.

A business and regulatory impact assessment has been prepared, and placed in the Scottish Parliament Information Centre. A copy can be obtained from the Scottish Government Agriculture, Food and Rural Communities Directorate, Saughton House, Broomhouse Drive, Edinburgh, EH11 3XD.