## SCOTTISH STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

## 2022 No. 279

## The Rural Support (Simplification and Improvement) (Scotland) (No. 2) Regulations 2022

## Amendment of Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) No 639/2014

- **3.**—(1) Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) No. 639/2014 of 11 March 2014 supplementing Regulation (EU) No. 1307/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council establishing rules for direct payments to farmers under support schemes within the framework of the common agricultural policy and amending Annex X to that Regulation(1) is amended as follows.
  - (2) In Article 45—
    - (a) in subparagraph 1 for "11" substitute "12",
    - (b) after subparagraph 11 insert—
      - "12. The relevant authority shall specify the species that are to be used for afforested areas. Afforested areas shall be arable land eligible for the basic payment scheme referred to in Chapter 1 of Title III of Regulation (EU) No 1307/2013 and fulfilling the conditions under the small or farm woodland creation option of the forestry grant scheme applied to the species specified by the relevant authority. The forestry grant scheme agreement referred to in Article 46(2)(h) of Regulation (EU) No 1307/2013 must have been issued after 1 January 2015."
  - (3) In Article 46(4) for ", (d) and (h)" substitute "and (d)".
  - (4) In Article 47(3) for ", (d) and (h)" substitute "and (d)".

<sup>(1)</sup> EUR 2014/639 was incorporated into domestic law on exit day by section 1 of the Direct Payments to Farmers (Legislative Continuity) Act 2020 (c. 2) and relevantly amended by S.I. 2020/91.