

1972 No. 1848

COUNTER-INFLATION

The Counter-Inflation (Agricultural Wages) Order 1972

<i>Made - - - -</i>	<i>1st December 1972</i>
<i>Laid before Parliament</i>	<i>1st December 1972</i>
<i>Coming into Operation</i>	<i>2nd December 1972</i>

The Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food, in relation to employment in England and Wales, and the Secretary of State, in relation to employment in Scotland, in exercise of the powers conferred on them by section 10(2) of, and paragraph 4(2) of the Schedule to, the Counter-Inflation (Temporary Provisions) Act 1972(a) and all their other enabling powers, hereby make the following order :—

Citation and commencement

1. This order, which may be cited as the Counter-Inflation (Agricultural Wages) Order 1972, shall come into operation on 2nd December 1972.

Interpretation

2.—(1) In this order “the Counter-Inflation Act” means the Counter-Inflation (Temporary Provisions) Act 1972.

(2) Any reference in this order to an Act of Parliament shall be construed as a reference to that Act as amended or extended by or under any subsequent enactment.

(3) The Interpretation Act 1889(b) applies to the interpretation of this order as it applies to the interpretation of an Act of Parliament.

Suspension of operation of Scottish agricultural wages order during standstill period

3. The operation of provisions as to remuneration contained in an order made by the Scottish Agricultural Wages Board dated 27th November 1972 and taking effect on 4th December 1972 shall be suspended while section 2 of the Counter-Inflation Act is in force.

Suspension of future agricultural wages orders during standstill period

4. Where an order of an Agricultural Wages Board made under the Agricultural Wages Act 1948(c) or the Agricultural Wages (Scotland) Act 1949(d) after the coming into operation of this order contains a provision as to remuneration expressed to take effect or come into operation on a date which falls within the period during which section 2 of the Counter-Inflation Act is in force, the operation of that provision shall be suspended while that section is in force.

(a) 1972 c. 74.
(d) 1949 c. 30.

(b) 1889 c. 63.

(c) 1948 c. 47.

Dwellings not to be revalued in England and Wales during standstill period

5.—(1) Section 7(3) of the Agricultural Wages Act 1948 (which enables directions to be made revaluing houses or parts of houses occupied as separate dwellings by agricultural workers) shall, while section 2 of the Counter-Inflation Act is in force, have effect subject to paragraph (2) below.

(2) A direction under the said section 7(3) made after 5th November 1972 and before the end of the period during which section 2 of the Counter-Inflation Act is in force which increases the value of a dwelling shall be of no effect between the coming into operation of this order and the end of that period, and the value of the dwelling to which it relates shall be, for the purposes of the said Act of 1948 and any orders made under it, the same as it was immediately before 6th November 1972.

In Witness whereof the Official Seal of the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food is hereunto affixed on 1st December 1972.

(L.S.)

Joseph Godber,
Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food.

Gordon Campbell,
Secretary of State for Scotland.

1st December 1972.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the order.)

This order suspends from 4th December 1972 to the end of the standstill period the operation of an order made on 27th November 1972 fixing minimum rates of wages for agricultural workers in Scotland.

It also provides for the similar suspension of agricultural wages orders made during the standstill period by either the Agricultural Wages Board for England and Wales or the Scottish Agricultural Wages Board.

Where an Agricultural Wages Committee has directed that there should be an increase, taking effect after 5th November, in the cash value to be allowed towards the minimum wage for an agricultural worker's cottage in England or Wales, the direction is suspended during the standstill period.

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