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## EXPLANATORY NOTE

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

These Regulations amend the Seeds (National Lists of Varieties) (Fees) Regulations 1990 by prescribing revised fees in respect of matters arising under the Seeds (National Lists of Varieties) Regulations 1982 (as amended) (regulation 2).

The matters in respect of which the revised fees are prescribed are listed in the Schedule to these Regulations, and the fees which were chargeable before these Regulations came into force are printed in italics beside the revised fees.

Most application, test, award and renewal fees have been increased by approximately 3½ per cent although the test fee for sugar beet and fodder beet varieties has been reduced. The fee for the purchase of a report from a testing authority in another country has been increased to accord with the international charge of 350 Swiss Francs. Fees payable in respect of other matters remain unchanged.