STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1994 No. 2349

The Countryside Access Regulations 1994

Amounts and payment of aid

8.—(1) Subject to the provisions of these Regulations, payments of aid shall be by way of five payments made annually in arrears at a rate of—

- (a) £90 per hectare in relation to any part of the access area which consists of an access route;
- (b) £45 per hectare in relation to any part of the access area which consists of an open field site.

(2) The Minister shall not make payments of aid in relation to more than 15 hectares of land in any holding except where—

- (a) the land subject to access obligations has been the subject of an agreement with the Countryside Commission under the Countryside Premium Scheme and, in a case where on the date of the submission of the application that agreement has been terminated or has expired, public access has continued to be permitted as if the agreement were still in force; or
- (b) the total area of land subject to access obligations in that holding exceeds 15 hectares as a consequence of the acceptance by the Minister of an undertaking by a new occupier under regulation 7(1)(b) to comply with access obligations in relation to land which was formerly comprised in another holding.