

SCHEDULE 5

REQUIREMENTS FOR MILK USED FOR THE MANUFACTURE OF MILK-BASED PRODUCTS

PART I

RAW MILK

1. Subject to paragraph 2 below, the occupier of the processing establishment shall take all necessary steps to ensure that the raw milk is treated, or that the production of milk-based products shall commence—

- (a) as soon as possible after acceptance of the raw milk at the processing establishment, if the raw milk has not been refrigerated; or
- (b) within 36 hours of such acceptance, if the raw milk is kept at a temperature not exceeding 6°C; or
- (c) within 48 hours of such acceptance, if the raw milk is kept at a temperature of 4°C or lower; or
- (d) within 72 hours, in the case of buffaloes', ewes' or goats' milk.

2. For technological reasons relating to the manufacture of certain milk-based products, the times and temperatures referred to in paragraph 1 above may be exceeded with the authorisation of the food authority.