
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**The Meat (Hygiene, Inspection and Examinations
for Residues) (Charges) Regulations 1995**

PART II

DOMESTIC ANIMALS AND DOMESTIC BIRDS

Duty to charge for health inspection and control exercises

Duty of Minister to charge for health inspection and control exercises in respect of domestic animals or domestic birds

4.—(1) The Minister shall make a general charge for the performance of his functions in relation to health inspection and control exercises in respect of domestic animals or domestic birds.

(2) In connection with such exercises the Minister shall also make a charge in respect of functions performed by him in relation to examinations for the presence of residues for the purposes of the Residues Regulations.

General charges

Slaughterhouses

5.—(1) Subject to paragraphs (2) to (4) below, the general charge for a health inspection and control exercise in respect of domestic animals or domestic birds which is carried out at a slaughterhouse shall be an amount equal to the Community standard slaughterhouse charge less the residues examination charge.

(2) Where the aggregate of the cost of carrying out such a health inspection and control exercise at a slaughterhouse and the residues examination charge is lower than the Community standard slaughterhouse charge, then—

- (a) if the aggregate is higher than the minimum charge, the general charge shall be an amount equal to the cost; and
- (b) if the aggregate is not higher than the minimum charge, the general charge shall be an amount equal to the minimum charge less the residues examination charge.

(3) PIA salary costs are to be included when calculating the aggregate.

(4) Where the aggregate of the cost of carrying out at a slaughterhouse a health inspection and control exercise in respect of domestic animals or domestic birds and the residues examination charge is higher than the Community standard slaughterhouse charge, the general charge shall be—

- (a) an amount not greater than the cost of carrying out the exercise; or
- (b) an amount equal to the Community standard slaughterhouse charge less the residues examination charge;

and the Minister shall determine whether it is to be calculated for a particular slaughterhouse under sub-paragraph(a) or sub-paragraph (b) above.

Cutting premises

6.—(1) Subject to paragraph (2) below, the general charge for a health inspection and control exercise in respect of domestic animals or domestic birds which is carried out at cutting premises shall be—

- (a) ECU 3 per tonne on meat entering the premises, (“the standard amount”); or
- (b) an amount equal to the cost of carrying out the exercise.

(2) Where the cutting operations are carried out in the establishment where the meat is obtained, the Minister may determine a charge calculated by reducing the standard amount by up to 55%.

(3) In this regulation and regulation 7 the cost shall be determined by reference to the numbers of hours worked, any fraction of an hour being counted as an hour worked.

Rewrapping centres and cold stores

7. The general charge for a health inspection and control exercise in respect of domestic animals or domestic birds which is carried out at a rewinding centre or cold store shall be an amount equal to the cost of carrying out the exercise.

Residues examination charges

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8.—(1) The residues examination charge for the carcass of an animal specified in column (1) of Part II of Schedule 1 shall be the charge specified opposite it in column (2).

(2) It shall be assumed, for the purpose of making the calculations specified in regulation 5, that a residues examination charge is made at the rate of ECU 1.35 per tonne of unboned poultry meat.