

SCHEDULE 8

Article 6

AMENDMENTS TO THE ENVIRONMENTALLY SENSITIVE AREAS (THE SOUTH DOWNS) DESIGNATION ORDER 1992

1. The Environmentally Sensitive Areas (South Downs) Designation Order 1992(1) is amended in accordance with the following provisions of this Schedule.

2. In article 2 (interpretation)–

(a) in paragraph (1) for the definition of “conservation plan” there is substituted the following definition–

““conservation plan” means a plan which the farmer undertakes or has undertaken as part of an agreement to implement within a period of two years, for the carrying out of one or more of the operations specified in Schedule 5 (or Schedule 6 to the Environmentally Sensitive Areas (South Downs) Designation Order 1997);”;

(b) in paragraph (2), for the words “shall be construed as” there are substituted the words“(with no corresponding reference to a specific instrument) is”.

3. In article 6 (rates of payment under agreement) for paragraphs (2) and (3) there are substituted the following paragraphs–

“(2) Where an agreement includes the additional provisions specified in–

(a) one or more of the options contained in Schedule 2,

(b) either or both of options 1 or 2 contained in Schedule 4 to the Environmentally Sensitive Areas (South Downs) Designation Order 1997,

the Minister shall make payments for each hectare of land which under the agreement is subject to those additional provisions at the rate per annum shown in the following table–

<i>Schedule</i>	<i>£ per hectare of land per annum</i>
Schedule 2	
–Option 1	290
–Option 2	250
–Option 3	80
	Schedule 4 to the Environmentally Sensitive Areas (South Downs) Designation Order 1997:
–Option 1	110
–Option 2	90

(3) Where an agreement includes a conservation plan, the Minister shall also make payments in respect of the operations included in the plan, up to a maximum of £100,000 per agreement.”.

(1) S.I. 1992/52, amended by S.I. 1994/931, S.I. 1996/924, S.I. 1996/3104.