

2010 No. 2001

PLANT HEALTH

**The Plant Health (Fees) (Forestry) (Amendment) Regulations
2010**

<i>Made</i> - - - -	<i>2nd August 2010</i>
<i>Laid before Parliament</i>	<i>9th August 2010</i>
<i>Coming into force</i> - -	<i>1st September 2010</i>

The Forestry Commissioners have been designated(a) for the purposes of section 2(2) of the European Communities Act 1972(b) in relation to the common agricultural policy of the European Union in respect of forestry.

They make the following Regulations under the powers conferred on them by that section.

Title and commencement

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Plant Health (Fees) (Forestry) (Amendment) Regulations 2010 and come into force on 1st September 2010.

Amendments

- 2.—(1) The Plant Health (Fees) (Forestry) Regulations 2006(c) are amended as follows.
 (2) For Schedule 3 substitute—

“SCHEDULE 3

Regulation 3(4)

Fees for plant health checks

<i>Item</i>	<i>Check</i>	<i>Unit</i>	<i>Fee</i>
1	Isolated bark and wood in the form of shavings, chips or sawdust	Per consignment	
		- up to 25000kg	£26
		- for each additional 1000kg or part thereof	£0.49

(a) S.I. 1996/266. See section 2 of, and Schedule 1 to, the Forestry Act 1967 (c. 10) for the constitution of the Forestry Commissioners.
 (b) 1972 c. 68.
 (c) S.I. 2006/2697 as amended by S.I. 2008/702 and 2009/2956.

			Up to a maximum fee of £98 per consignment
2	Wood (other than wood in the form of shavings, chips or sawdust)	Per consignment	
		- up to 100m ³	£26
		- for each additional m ³ or part thereof	£0.20
3	Conducting checks on item 1 or 2 at an approved place of inspection	Per visit	£30, in addition to any fee under item 1 or 2”

(3) For Schedule 4 substitute—

“SCHEDULE 4

Regulation 3(4)

Fees for documentary checks and identity checks

<i>Item</i>	<i>Check</i>	<i>Unit</i>	<i>Fee</i>
1	Documentary check	Per consignment	£6
2	Identity check	Per consignment	
		- for each load of up to 30m ³ forming part of the consignment contained in one truck, railway wagon, or comparable container	£6
		- for each bulk load of less than 100m ³	£6
		- for each bulk load of 100m ³ or more	£12”

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2nd August 2010

Wilma Harper
Secretary to the Forestry Commissioners

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations amend the Plant Health (Fees) (Forestry) Regulations 2006 (S.I. 2006/2697) (“the principal Regulations”).

The principal Regulations implement Article 13d of Council Directive 2000/29/EC on protective measures against the introduction into the Community of organisms harmful to plants or plant products and against their spread within the Community (OJ No. L 169, 10.7.2000, p.1). Article 13d requires member States to collect fees for checks carried out on consignments of wood, wood product, and isolated bark.

Under the principal Regulations an importer is required to pay, in respect of consignments to which regulation 3(6) applies, the fees specified in Schedule 3 for plant health checks and the fees specified in Schedule 4 for documentary checks and identity checks that are carried out on those consignments (regulation 3(4)). These Regulations amend Schedule 3 so as to increase the fees for plant health checks from £12.25 to £26 per consignment. They amend Schedule 4 to increase the fees for documentary checks (other than in relation to bulk loads of 100m³ or more) from £5.29 to £6 per consignment. In addition these Regulations amend Schedule 3 to provide that the fees to be applied to wood in the form of shavings, chips and sawdust are the same as the fees applied to isolated bark.

An impact assessment has been prepared and placed in the Library of each House of Parliament. Copies can be obtained from the Forestry Commission, 231 Corstorphine Road, Edinburgh, EH12 7AT.

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