STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2015 No. 1953

The Seed Potatoes (England) Regulations 2015

Certification of seed potatoes

- **10.**—(1) Certification of seed potatoes produced in England must be in accordance with this regulation.
- (2) If the requirements of paragraph (3) are satisfied, an authorised officer must certify seed potatoes produced in England as being—
 - (a) pre-basic seed potatoes;
 - (b) basic seed potatoes; or
 - (c) certified seed potatoes.
 - (3) The requirements are that—
 - (a) a growing crop certificate has been issued in relation to the seed potatoes; and
 - (b) on official examination the seed potatoes have been found not to exceed any of the tolerances for diseases or pests, damage or defects specified in the relevant provisions of Schedule 3.
- (4) An application for certification of seed potatoes produced in England must be made in writing to the Secretary of State and must be accompanied by such information as the Secretary of State may require.
- (5) For the purposes of paragraph (2), an official label issued in accordance with these Regulations in relation to pre-basic seed potatoes, basic seed potatoes or certified seed potatoes is sufficient evidence that an authorised officer has certified the seed potatoes to which the official label relates as being pre-basic seed potatoes, basic seed potatoes or certified seed potatoes, as the case may be.