STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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The Agriculture (Financial Assistance) Regulations 2021

Part 2

Assessing applications for financial assistance

Consequences of incomplete or erroneous applications

- **6.**—(1) The Secretary of State must not give financial assistance under a financial assistance scheme if, having considered the information in an application, together with any supporting information or evidence required under regulation 4, the Secretary of State is satisfied that—
 - (a) the applicant has not met the eligibility criteria for receipt of financial assistance;
 - (b) the applicant has failed to provide information or evidence requested under regulation 4;
 - (c) the applicant has failed to correct a defect in accordance with regulation 5; or
 - (d) there are reasonable grounds to suspect that the applicant has provided false or misleading information.
- (2) Where the Secretary of State decides not to give financial assistance under a financial assistance scheme, the Secretary of State must—
 - (a) notify the applicant, within a reasonable period, of that decision and the reasons for the decision; and
 - (b) inform the applicant of the right to request a reconsideration under regulation 30.