STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

2009 No. 59

SEEDS

The Seed Potatoes (Crop Fees) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2009

Made - - - - 20th February 2009

Coming into operation 1st April 2009

The Department of Agriculture and Rural Development(**1**), in exercise of the powers conferred by section 1 of the Seeds Act (Northern Ireland) 1965(**2**), after consultation with representatives of such interests as appear to it to be concerned, makes the following Regulations:

Citation, commencement and interpretation

1.—(1) These Regulations may be cited as The Seed Potatoes (Crop Fees) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2009 and shall come into operation on 1st April 2009.

(2) In these Regulations, "the Department" refers to the Department of Agriculture and Rural Development.

(3) "Pre-basic tissue culture" has the meaning assigned to it in Schedule 2 to the Seed Potatoes Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2001(**3**), namely "pre-basic TC".

Fees

2. Every person who makes an application to the Department for the certification of seed potato crops, except pre-basic tissue culture, under regulation 8(1) of the Seed Potatoes Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2001 shall forward with that application the appropriate fee in accordance with Part 1 to the Schedule.

3. Subject to regulation 8 of the Seed Potatoes Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2001, in respect of certification and classification of pre-basic tissue culture, a fee shall be payable for the services specified and shall be determined by the work involved, charged at an hourly rate in accordance with Part 2 to the Schedule. Where a charge is made by reference to an hour, the full hourly charge shall be payable in respect of part of an hour.

(**1**) Formerly the Department of Agriculture for Northern Ireland; see S.I. 1999/283 (N.I.1), Article 3(4)
(**2**) 1965 c.22 (N.I.) as amended by S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1972 No. 351 Art.3 and Schedule 3
(**3**) S.R. 2001 No.188

Revocation

4. The following Regulations are revoked—

(a) The Seed Potatoes (Crop Fees) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2006(**4**); and

(b) The Seed Potatoes (Crop Fees) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2008(**5**).

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of Agriculture and Rural Development on 20th February 2009.

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(**4**) S.R. 2006 No.186
(**5**) S.R. 2008 No.184