STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

1998 No. 440

AGRICULTURE

The Sheep Annual Premium (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1998

Made - - - -	*10th December 1998*
Coming into operation	*8th December 1998*

The Department of Agriculture being a Department designated(**1**) for the purposes of section 2(2) of the European Communities Act 1972(**2**) in relation to the common agricultural policy of the European Community, in exercise of the powers conferred on it by the said section 2(2) and of every other power enabling it in that behalf, hereby makes the following Regulations:

Citation, commencement and interpretation

1.—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the Sheep Annual Premium (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1998 and shall come into operation on 8th December 1998.

(2) The Interpretation Act (Northern Ireland) 1954(**3**) shall apply to these Regulations as it applies to a Measure of the Northern Ireland Assembly.

Amendment

2. For paragraph (2) of regulation 3 (application for a premium) of the Sheep Annual Premium Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1992 there shall be substituted–

> "(2) A producer who applies for a premium in respect of a given marketing year shall deliver his application to the competent authority–
>
> (a) on or after 8th December in the preceding calendar year; and
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> (b) not later than 8th January in that marketing year (both dates inclusive) or if 8th January is a Saturday, Sunday or public holiday the next following working day.".

(**1**) S.I. 1972/1811
(**2**) 1972 c. 68; section 2 is subject to Schedule 2 to that Act and is to be read with S.I. 1984/703 (N.I. 3), S.R. 1984 No. 253 and S.I. 1994/2795 (N.I. 15)
(**3**) 1954 c. 33 (N.I.)