STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

1997 No. 521

AGRICULTURE

Deseasonalisation Premium (Protection of Payments) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1997

Made - - - - 2nd December 1997

Coming into operation 1st January 1998

The Department of Agriculture, being a Department designated(**1**) for the purpose 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 every other power enabling it in that behalf, hereby makes the following Regulations:—

Citation and commencement

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Deseasonalisation Premium (Protection of Payments) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1997 and shall come into operation on 1st January 1998.

Interpretation

2.—(1) In these Regulations "the principal Regulations" means the Deseasonalisation Premium (Protection of Payments) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1996(**3**).

(2) The Interpretation Act (Northern Ireland) 1954(**4**) shall apply to these Regulations as it applies to a Measure of the Northern Ireland Assembly.

Amendment of the principal Regulations

3.—(1) The principal Regulations shall be amended in accordance with paragraphs (2) and (3).

(2) In regulation 2(2) for the definition of "animal" there shall be substituted the following—

""animal" means a castrated male animal of the bovine species which is slaughtered during the period 1st January 1998 to 10th June 1998 (both dates inclusive)".

(**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) and S.R. 1984 No. 253
(**3**) S.R. 1996 No. 605
(**4**) 1954 c. 33 (N.I.)