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Fertilisers and Feeding Stuffs (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1981

Made	*16th January 1981*
Coming into operation . . .	*1st February 1981*

The Department(**a**) of Agriculture, in exercise of the powers conferred on it by sections 66(1), 74A(**b**), 84 and 86(1) and (9) of the Agriculture Act 1970(**c**) and of every other power enabling it in that behalf, after consultation with such persons or organisations as appear to it to represent the interests concerned, hereby makes the following regulations:

Citation, commencement and interpretation

1.—(1) These regulations may be cited as the Fertilisers and Feeding Stuffs (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1981, and shall come into operation on 1st February 1981.

(2) In these regulations "the principal regulations" means the Fertilisers and Feeding Stuffs Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1973(**d**).

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

Amendment of the principal regulations

2. There shall be inserted immediately after regulation 6 of the principal regulations the following new regulations—

"*Restriction on importation of material containing Aflatoxin* B_1

6A. No person shall import into Northern Ireland for use as a feeding stuff any material (not being material imported in pursuance of a contract to acquire it entered into on or before 18th December 1980) which is—

(*a*) groundnut, or

(*b*) a derivative of groundnut, or

(*c*) cotton seed, or

(*d*) a derivative of cotton seed,

and in which there is a detectable level of Aflatoxin B_1.

Modifications of the Act for the purposes of regulation 6A

6B.—(1) In relation to any material to which regulation 6A applies the operation of sections 66(2) and 82(1) of the Act shall be modified as provided for in the following paragraphs.

(2) Section 66(2) shall have effect as if the words "imported or" were inserted immediately before the word "sold" in both places where that word appears.

(**a**) Formerly Ministry: *see* 1973 c. 36 s. 40 Sch. 5 para. 8(1)
(**b**) Inserted by 1972 c. 68 s. 4(1) and Sch. 4 para. 6
(**c**) 1970 c. 40
(**d**) S. R. & O. (N.I.) 1973 No. 494 as amended by S.R. 1976 No. 255, S.R. 1977 No. 52 and S.R. 1980 No. 404
(**e**) 1954 c. 33 (N.I)