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Pigs (Carcase Classification) (Amendment) Scheme Order (Northern Ireland) 1979

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The Department of Agriculture, in exercise of the powers conferred on it by Article 2 of the Agriculture (Miscellaneous Provisions) (Northern Ireland) Order 1975(**a**) and of every other power enabling it in that behalf, having consulted with such persons or the representatives of such persons as is required by the said Article, and with the approval of the Department of Finance as to fees, hereby makes the following Order:—

Citation and commencement

1. This Order may be cited as the Pigs (Carcase Classification) (Amendment) Scheme Order (Northern Ireland) 1979 and shall come into operation on 1st April 1979.

Amendment of fee

2. In Article 3(*c*) of the Pigs (Carcase Classification) Scheme Order (Northern Ireland) 1977(**b**) for "7·0p" there shall be substituted "10p".

Amendment of Scheme

3. Article 8(3) of the Pigs (Carcase Classification) Scheme (Northern Ireland) 1977 shall be amended as follows:—

(1) After "vertebra" in sub-paragraph (*a*) "; and" shall be inserted;

(2) After "rib" in sub-paragraph (*b*) "; or" shall be inserted;

(3) After sub-paragraph (*b*) there shall be inserted "(*c*) At 2 points 4.5 cm and 8 cm from the centre line of the back at the head of the last rib."

4. After paragraph 3 of Article 8 there shall be inserted—

"(4) *Length measurement*—

The length of a carcase may be recorded to the nearest whole centimetre downwards and shall be taken from the indentation of the first rib to the anterior edge of the aitch bone."

5. The existing paragraph (4) (*Defects*) of Article 8 shall be renumbered (5).

6. Article 9 shall be deleted and replaced by the following:—

"9. Subject to Article 9A and 10 the following shall be removed—

(*a*) hair and claws;

(*b*) liver, spleen, heart, tongue and lungs;

(*c*) stomach and intestines;

(*d*) omentum and mesenteric fat;

(*e*) genito-urinary organs excluding the kidneys.

(**a**) S.I. 1975/1038 (N.I. 8) (**b**) S.R. 1977 No. 335 (II, p. 1797)