(*c*) No premises other than approved premises shall be used for the collection, preparation and despatch of semen.

(*d*) No equipment or methods other than approved equipment or methods shall be employed for the collection and preparation for despatch of semen.

(*e*) No semen shall be collected from a boar for taking out of Northern Ireland unless the boar is at the time approved for the purpose.

(*f*) The licensee shall keep a record showing the breed, name and other information sufficient for the identification of the boar from which the semen was obtained, the date on which, and the place at which, the collection was made, the name and address of the person to whom the semen was consigned, and such other matters as the Ministry may from time to time determine. All such records shall be open to inspection at all reasonable times by an authorised officer of the Ministry who shall also be at liberty to take any copy thereof or extract therefrom.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Ministry of Agriculture for Northern Ireland this 10th day of May, 1966.

(L.S.) *J. A. Young,*
Assistant Secretary.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(*This note is not part of the Regulations but is intended to indicate their general purport.*)

The Regulations enable the Ministry to control (*a*) the artificial insemination of pigs and (*b*) the movement of boar semen into or out of Northern Ireland.

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HIRE-PURCHASE

Documents—Legibility and Statutory Statements Regulations 1966

REGULATIONS, DATED 12TH MAY, 1966, MADE BY THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE UNDER SECTIONS 3 AND 22 OF THE HIRE-PURCHASE (AMENDMENT) ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND) 1966 AND SECTIONS 2 AND 3 OF THE HIRE-PURCHASE ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND) 1940.

The Ministry of Commerce in exercise of the powers conferred upon it by sections 3(4) and 22(1) of the Hire-Purchase (Amendment) Act (Northern Ireland) 1966(**a**) (hereinafter called "the Act of 1966") and sections 2(2) and 3(2) of the Hire-Purchase Act (Northern Ireland) 1940(**b**) (hereinafter called "the principal Act") as modified by section 5(3) and (4) of the Act of 1966, and of all other powers enabling it in that behalf, hereby makes the following Regulations:

(**a**) 1966, c. 13 (N.I.). (**b**) 4 & 5 Geo. 6, c. 10 (N.I.).

PART I

GENERAL

Citation and Commencement

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Hire-Purchase (Documents) (Legibility and Statutory Statements) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1966, and shall come into operation on 1st July, 1966.

Interpretation

2.—(1) In these Regulations the words "letter" and "lettering" include figures.

(2) In the application of these Regulations to conditional sale agreements to which section 21 of the Act of 1966 applies, any reference to any provision of that Act (other than the said section 21) or of the principal Act shall be construed as a reference to that provision as it has effect in relation to such an agreement by virtue of sub-section (3) of the said section 21.

PART II

LEGIBILITY OF DOCUMENTS

3. Every document to which this Part applies shall comply with the following provisions of the said Part.

4.—(1) The paper of the document shall be white and, except as otherwise provided in these Regulations, the lettering of the document shall be black or dark grey.

(2) The lettering, apart from any signature, shall be clear.

5.—(1) The following parts of the contents of the document may consist of handwriting or a reproduction of handwriting, that is to say—

(*a*) particulars relating to any person named in the document;

(*b*) particulars of the goods;

(*c*) the financial particulars of any transaction, including the date on which, or the period for which, any payment is to be made;

(*d*) any signature or copy thereof;

(*e*) any date;

(*f*) any amount (whether in figures or words) inserted in the notice mentioned in section 2(2)(*c*) of the principal Act or in a copy of that notice;

(*g*) in the case of a document referred to in Regulation 8(1)(*b*) or a copy of such a document, the words "all the" or the number referred to in Regulation 8(2) included within the space outlined for the signature of the buyer.

(2) Except as provided in paragraph (1) the contents of the document shall not consist of handwriting or a reproduction thereof.

(3) Any signature may be in any colour, and the colour of the lettering in any other part of the contents of the document which by virtue of this Regulation may consist of, and which does consist of, handwriting may be blue.

6.—(1) The lettering in the document shall be roman or upright sanserif.

(2) The height of the smallest letter in the document shall be not less than ·056 of an inch, and the width of any column in the document shall not exceed 4½ inches:

Provided that the limit on the width of the column shall not apply to any part of the document if the height of the smallest letter in that part of the document is not less than ·067 of an inch.

(3) Subject to the provision of Regulation 9(7) the lettering in the document shall not be in capital letters except that capital letters may be used—

(*a*) for the initial letters of words; or

(*b*) in headings.

(4) This Regulation shall not apply to—

(*a*) any part of the contents of the document which under Regulation 5 may consist of, and which does consist of, handwriting or a reproduction thereof;

(*b*) any instructions for the completion of the document.

(5) Paragraph (3) shall not apply to any part of the contents of the document which by virtue of Regulation 5 may consist of handwriting or a reproduction of handwriting.

7. This Part shall apply to documents of the following descriptions, that is to say,—

(*a*) any hire-purchase agreement to which the principal Act applies, and any conditional sale agreement to which section 21 of the Act of 1966 applies, and any such copy as is mentioned in section 2(2)(*d*) or (*e*) of the principal Act;

(*b*) any credit-sale agreement to which the principal Act applies under which the total purchase price exceeds £30, and any such copy as is mentioned in section 3(2)(*c*) or (*d*) of that Act;

(*c*) any copy supplied to the hirer or buyer in pursuance of a request made by him under section 6 of the principal Act;

(*d*) any note or memorandum of a contract of guarantee relating to such a hire-purchase agreement, conditional sale agreement or credit-sale agreement as is mentioned in paragraph (*a*) or paragraph (*b*) of this Regulation and any such copy as is mentioned in section 20(1)(*a*) or (*b*) of the Act of 1966;

(*e*) any such copy as is mentioned in section 20(4)(*a*) or (b) of the Act of 1966 which is supplied to the guarantor in pursuance of a request made by him under sub-section (3) of that section.

Part III

Statutory Statements—Space for Signature

8.—(1) The following provisions of this Regulation shall apply to every document which on being signed as mentioned in section 2(2)(*a*) or section 3(2)(*a*) of the principal Act—

(*a*) constitutes a hire-purchase agreement to which that Act applies, or

(*b*) constitutes a conditional sale agreement to which section 21 of the Act of 1966 applies, or

(*c*) constitutes a credit-sale agreement to which the principal Act applies under which the total purchase price exceeds £30.

(2) The signature of the hirer or buyer, as the case may be, shall be inserted in a space in the document outlined in the manner indicated in Part I of the Schedule hereto and accompanied by the words specified in that Part which are appropriate to that document and set out in the form therein indicated and, in the case of a document referred to in paragraph (1)(*b*) of this Regulation those words shall include immediately before the word "instalments" the words "all the" or the number of the instalments which must be paid before the goods will become the property of the buyer:

Provided that nothing in this paragraph shall require that there shall be any particular number of words in a line.

(3) The width of the outlined area shall be not less than 3¾ inches, and its height shall be not less than 1¼ inches in the case of a credit-sale agreement and not less than 2 inches in the case of any other agreement; and the thickness of the outlining shall be not less than ·025 of an inch.

(4) The colour of the lettering within the outlined area and of the outlining of that area shall be red and the height of the smallest letter within the outlined area shall be not less than ·067 of an inch.

(5) Paragraph (4) shall not apply to any words which by virtue of Regulation 5(1)(*g*) may be, and which are, in handwriting or a reproduction of handwriting, but the lettering of those words may be red.

(6) The distance vertically between any of the words which are to appear in the outlined area above the place for signature and—

(*a*) in the case of a hire-purchase agreement or a conditional sale agreement, any of the words which are to appear below that place, or

(*b*) in the case of a credit-sale agreement, the lower horizontal line of the outlined area

shall be not less than 1 inch.

(7) Nothing in this Regulation shall prohibit the inclusion within the outlined area of any postage stamp which does not obscure any of the words required by this Regulation to be included within the outlined area.

PART IV

STATUTORY STATEMENTS—RIGHT OF CANCELLATION

9.—(1) In a case to which section 5(1) of the Act of 1966 applies the first statutory copy and the second statutory copy in relation to the relevant document shall contain the statements specified, respectively, in sections 1 and 2 of Part II of the Schedule hereto set out in, and outlined in, the manner therein indicated; and the following provisions shall apply in the case of each copy:

Provided that nothing in this paragraph shall require that there shall be any particular number of words in a line.

(2) The statement shall appear on the page which contains particulars of the goods to which the relevant document relates.

(3) The width of the outlined area shall be not less than 6 inches and its height shall be not less than 2¼ inches in the first statutory copy and not