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FERTILISERS AND FEEDING STUFFS

The Fertilisers and Feeding Stuffs Regulations (Northern Ireland), 1960

REGULATIONS, DATED THE 20TH DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 1960, MADE BY THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE UNDER THE FERTILISERS AND FEEDING STUFFS ACT, 1926.

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The Ministry of Agriculture for Northern Ireland in exercise of the powers vested in it by Sections 23 and 29 of the Fertilisers and Feeding Stuffs Act 1926(a), and of every other power enabling it in that behalf, and acting on the advice of the Advisory Committee appointed for Great Britain under Section 23 of the said Act, hereby makes the following Regulations:—

Citation and commencement

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Fertilisers and Feeding Stuffs Regulations (Northern Ireland), 1960, and shall come into operation on the 1st day of October, 1960.

Revocation of Previous Regulations

2. The Fertilisers and Feeding Stuffs (Northern Ireland) Regulations, 1955(b), and the Fertilisers and Feeding Stuffs (Northern Ireland) (Amendment) Regulations, 1956(c), are hereby revoked.

Interpretation

3. In these Regulations, unless the context otherwise requires,
"the Act" means the Fertilisers and Feeding Stuffs Act, 1926;
"agricultural analyst" and "deputy agricultural analyst" means respectively an official agricultural analyst and a deputy agricultural analyst appointed in accordance with the Act;
"cattle" means bulls, cows, oxen, heifers, calves, sheep, goats and swine;
"feeding stuff" means any article intended for use as food for cattle or poultry;
"fertiliser" means any article intended for use as a fertiliser of the soil;
"Ministry" means the Ministry of Agriculture for Northern Ireland.

Variation of the Schedules to the Act

4. The First, Second, Third, Fourth and Fifth Schedules to the Act are hereby varied by substituting for the same the Schedules set forth in the First, Second, Third, Fourth and Fifth Schedules respectively.

Manner of Marking Particulars on Sales of Small Quantities

5. The label of a parcel to which paragraph (ii) of the proviso to subsection (1) of Section 1 of the Act relates shall bear the particulars required by the said Section 1 to be contained in the statutory statement in block capital letters and figures of not less than half an inch in height.

(a) 16 & 17 Geo. 5. c. 45.
(b) S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1955, No. 202.
(c) S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1956, No. 186.

Manner of Marking Parcels

6. A parcel required by subsection (1) of Section 4 of the Act to be marked shall be marked in writing, printing, stencilling or in any other appropriate manner either

(*a*) on the article itself,

(*b*) where the parcel consists of a single package, on the wrapper or container of, or on a label securely attached to or placed inside, the package,

(*c*) where the parcel consists of a number of separate packages, either

(i) on the wrapper or container of, or on a label securely attached to or placed inside, each of the packages, or

(ii) otherwise in such a manner that the mark shall be readily apparent and unequivocally associated with the parcel, or

(*d*) where the parcel consists of a number of packages themselves enclosed in a larger package or packages, on the wrapper or container of, or on a label securely attached to or placed inside,

(i) each of the packages, or

(ii) such larger package, or

(iii) each of such larger packages;

provided that

(*a*) the marking shall be legible, and

(*b*) every parcel shall be marked in such a manner that it shall remain marked so long as it is on the premises where it has been marked.

Form of Register of Marks

7. A register of marks kept in accordance with subsection (2) of Section 4 of the Act, specifying the particulars which the several marks entered in the register are used as indicating, shall be kept in such a form that the particulars required by the said Section 4, relating to each separate parcel, shall be readily ascertainable by an inspector.

Form of Register of Articles delivered or consigned ex *ship or quay*

8. The register of articles delivered or consigned direct from a ship or quay to a purchaser, required to be kept in accordance with subsection (2) of Section 5 of the Act, shall be kept in such a form that the particulars required, relating to each separate article, shall be readily ascertainable by an inspector.

Period for which Registers and Statutory Statements are to be preserved

9. The period for which a register or statutory statement is to be preserved in accordance with subsection (1) of Section 9 of the Act shall be four months.

Manner of Taking and Dividing Samples

10. The manner in which samples are to be taken and dealt with in cases where under the Act they are taken in the prescribed manner shall be as set forth in the Sixth Schedule.

Method of Dealing with Third Part of Sample

11. Where a sample has been taken by an official sampler and divided by him into three parts in accordance with subsection (1) of Section 13 of the Act and Regulation 10, the third part shall be delivered or sent by

registered post to the last seller or his agent. Where a sample has been taken by an inspector and divided by him as aforesaid, the third part shall be delivered or sent by registered post to the person who would be liable to prosecution in the event of an offence being disclosed by the result of analysis of the sample, or to the representative of such person.

Period for which One Part of Sample is to be Retained by Agricultural Analyst

12. The period for which an agricultural analyst shall in accordance with subsection (2) of Section 13 retain one part of a sample sent to him shall be six months from the date of his certificate of analysis of the sample unless he shall in the meantime have submitted such part of the sample to the Chief Agricultural Analyst for Northern Ireland pursuant to subsection (3) of Section 13 or subsection (1) of Section 20.

Methods of Analysis of Fertilisers

13. The methods in which analyses of fertilisers shall be made for the purposes of the Act are as set forth in the Seventh Schedule.

Methods of Analysis of Feeding Stuffs

14. The methods in which analyses of feeding stuffs shall be made for the purposes of the Act are as set forth in the Eighth Schedule.

Limits of Variation

15. The limits of variation in relation to the particulars of the nature, substance or quality of an article or as to the amount of any ingredient, for the purposes of subsection (5) of Section 2 and subsection (5) of Section 26 of the Act, shall be as set out in the Ninth Schedule.

Forms of Certificate of Analysis

16. The certificate of an agricultural analyst (*a*) of the analysis of a fertiliser and (*b*) of the analysis of a feeding stuff shall be in the forms respectively set forth in Parts I and II of the Tenth Schedule.

Qualifications of Agricultural Analysts and Deputy Agricultural Analysts

17. Every person appointed as an agricultural analyst or deputy agricultural analyst shall furnish proof to the satisfaction of the Ministry that he has competent knowledge of chemistry and of chemical analysis and microscopy, as applied to fertilisers and feeding stuffs. Such proof shall in every case comprise documentary evidence that such person holds a certificate or diploma attesting his possession of the requisite knowledge and given by a recognised competent body.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Ministry of Agriculture for Northern Ireland this 20th day of September, nineteen hundred and sixty.

(L.S.) *J. C. Baird,*
Assistant Secretary.

FIRST SCHEDULE

The Schedule substituted for the First Schedule to the Act

(Section 23(1) and Regulation 4)

FIRST SCHEDULE Sections 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 8, 10, 12.

ARTICLES TO WHICH ALL THE PROVISIONS OF THE ACT ARE APPLICABLE

PART I

FERTILISERS

Article	*Particulars to be contained in Statutory Statement*
Ammonium nitrate and mixtures of ammonium nitrate, with any article not mentioned elsewhere in this Schedule.	Amount of nitrogen.
A product not otherwise mentioned in this Part of this Schedule, obtained by mixing one or more of the articles mentioned in this Part of this Schedule with any other such article or with any other substance or substances.	Amounts, if any, of nitrogen, potash, phosphoric acid soluble in water, and phosphoric acid insoluble in water respectively.
Basic slag	Total amount of phosphoric acid. Amount of phosphoric acid soluble in citric acid. Amount of the article that will pass through a prescribed sieve.
Bonemeal, or other product not otherwise mentioned in this Part of this Schedule, obtained by grinding or otherwise treating bone, used for fertilising purposes.	Amounts of nitrogen and phosphoric acid respectively.
Calcium cyanamide	Amount of nitrogen.
Concentrated superphosphate	Amount of phosphoric acid soluble in water.
Dicalcium phosphate	Amount of phosphoric acid soluble in citric acid.
Dissolved or vitriolised bone	Amounts of nitrogen, phosphoric acid soluble in water, and phosphoric acid insoluble in water respectively.
Dried blood for fertilising purposes ..	Amount of nitrogen.
Fish residues or other product obtained by drying and grinding or otherwise treating fish or fish waste, used for fertilising purposes.	Amounts of nitrogen and phosphoric acid respectively.
Guano, including Peruvian and other raw guanos, but excluding poultry manure.	Amounts of nitrogen, phosphoric acid and potash respectively.
Hoofs	Amount of nitrogen.
Hoofs and horns	Amount of nitrogen.
Horns	Amount of nitrogen.
Meat and bone residues, or any product not specifically mentioned elsewhere in this Part of this Schedule, obtained by drying and grinding or otherwise treating bone, flesh, flesh fibre (including whale meat) and other slaughterhouse residues, used for fertilising purposes.	Amounts of nitrogen and phosphoric acid respectively.