Marketing

REGULATIONS DATED 12TH SEPTEMBER, 1952, MADE BY THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE UNDER SECTIONS 5 AND 11 OF THE RYEGRASS SEED (TEMPORARY PROVISIONS) ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1949 (a) AS EXTENDED BY THE RYEGRASS SEED (TEMPORARY PROVISIONS) (EXTENSION) ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1950 (b).

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The Ministry of Agriculture for Northern Ireland (in the Regulations called " the Ministry ") in pursuance of the provisions of the Ryegrass Seed (Temporary Provisions) Acts (Northern Ireland), 1949, and 1950, and after consultation with the Ministry of Finance and with such organisations as appear to the Ministry to represent the interests of the growers and of persons engaged in the ryegrass seed trade hereby makes the following Regulations, that is to say :—

Commencement

1. These Regulations shall take effect on the twelfth day of September, One Thousand Nine Hundred and Fifty-two.

2. The expressions " the Ministry " and " the grower " shall have the meanings assigned to them in the Ryegrass Seed (Temporary Provisions) Acts (Northern Ireland) 1949 and 1950.

3. The Ministry hereby prescribes that —

(*a*) the grades and descriptions of ryegrass seed to be bought by or on behalf of the Ministry and the methods of ascertaining the grade of any ryegrass seed ;

(*b*) the methods by which any disputes arising out of the grading of ryegrass seed are to be determined ;

(*c*) the prices at which, the terms on which and the persons through whose agency, ryegrass seed or any grade or description thereof may be bought by or on behalf of the Ministry ;

shall be as set out in that behalf in the Schedule to these Regulations.

Revocation

4.—(1) The Marketing of Ryegrass Seed Regulations (Northern Ireland), 1951 (c) are hereby revoked but without prejudice to any proceedings in respect of any contravention thereof.

(2) The Interpretation Act, 1889, shall apply to the revocation of the said Regulations in like manner as the said Act applies to a repeal effected by an Act of the Parliament of Northern Ireland.

(a) 13 Geo., 6, Ch. 8. (b) 14 Geo., 6, Ch. 25. (c) S. R. & O. 1951 No. 159.

Short Title

5. These Regulations may be cited as the Marketing of Ryegrass Seed Regulations (Northern Ireland), 1952.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Ministry of Agriculture for Northern Ireland this twelfth day of September, One Thousand Nine Hundred and Fifty Two, in the presence of

(L.S.) (Signed) *W. H. Long*,
Assistant Secretary.

SCHEDULE

RYEGRASS SEED (TEMPORARY PROVISIONS) ACTS (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1949 AND 1950.

TERMS OF PURCHASE

1. On seed being offered, the Ministry's agent or sub-agent shall examine it and, if satisfied that it is of suitable quality and that it is not damp or showing evidence of having been heated, shall accept it, but if he be not so satisfied he shall reject it.
2. Provided he is so satisfied he shall accept delivery on behalf of the Ministry and furnish to the grower or his representative a receipt showing the weight of seed delivered.
3. Ryegrass seed so accepted shall be delivered by the grower free of freight charges at his local grass seed market, or alternatively at the warehouse of a duly appointed agent of the Ministry provided that, in the latter case, no greater transport costs are incurred by the Ministry than would have been incurred if the seed had been delivered by the grower at his local market.
4. Ryegrass seed delivered to grass seed markets shall be delivered only between the hours of 9 a.m. and 3 p.m. on recognised grass seed market days and may not be delivered direct to the stores of sub-agents employed by the Ministry's agents. All seed so delivered shall be weighed over a public weighbridge or, if a public weighbridge is not available, over a weighbridge approved for the purpose by the Ministry.
5. Ryegrass seed delivered direct to an agent's warehouse shall be weighed over the agent's approved weighbridge. Seed may be accepted at such warehouses on such days and between such hours as may be agreed between the Ministry and the agent.
6. A grower whose seed has been accepted shall not be at liberty to withdraw it.
7. As soon as may be after the seed has been weighed a sample shall be drawn from the bulk by one of the Ministry's official sampling officers who will attend at markets and at the agents' warehouses for this purpose. The sample shall be divided into two portions, one of which, duly sealed, which shall be known as the " Grower's Sample " shall be handed to the grower or his representative ; the other portion, which shall also be sealed, and which shall be known as the " Ministry's Sample " shall be labelled with the grower's name and immediately sent to the Ministry at its Headquarters, for the purpose of grading.

STANDARD GRADES AND DESCRIPTIONS OF RYEGRASS SEED

Description of Seed	Grade A Plus		Grade A		Grade B	
	Minimum Purity (P) and Germination (G) Percentages	Awned Seed Content Percentage	Minimum Purity (P) and Germination (G) Percentages	Awned Seed Content Percentage	Minimum Purity (P) and Germination (G) Percentages	Awned Seed Content Percentage
PERENNIAL	P. 95 G. 85	Nil	P. 90 G. 85	Nil	P. 85 G. 85	Nil
ITALIAN	P. 95 G. 85	Minimum 70	P. 90 G. 85	Minimum 70	P. 85 G. 85	Minimum 70