#### SCOTTISH STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

# 2015 No. 392

# PLANT HEALTH

The Plant Health (Import Inspection Fees) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2015

Made - - - - 18th November 2015
Laid before the Scottish
Parliament - - - 20th November 2015
Coming into force - 1st January 2016

The Scottish Ministers make the following Regulations in exercise of the powers conferred by section 56(1) and (2) of the Finance Act 1973(1) and all other powers enabling them to do so.

#### Citation, commencement and extent

- 1.—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the Plant Health (Import Inspection Fees) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2015 and come into force on 1st January 2016.
  - (2) These Regulations extend to Scotland only.

### Amendment of the Plant Health (Import Inspection Fees) (Scotland) Regulations 2014

- 2. In the Plant Health (Import Inspection Fees) (Scotland) Regulations 2014(2)—
  - (a) for Schedule 2 (import inspection fees for applicable checks (reduced rates)), substitute—

<sup>(1) 1973</sup> c.51. The reference to a Government department in section 56(1) is to be read as a reference to the Scottish Administration by virtue of article 2(2) of the Scotland Act (Consequential Modifications) (No. 2) Order 1999 (S.I. 1999/1820) and the functions of the Minister transferred to the Scottish Ministers by virtue of section 53 of the Scotland Act 1998 (c.46). The requirement to obtain the consent of the Treasury was removed by section 55 of the Scotland Act 1998.

<sup>(2) 1</sup>S.S.I 2014/338.

"SCHEDULE 2

Regulations 3 and 4(2)

## IMPORT INSPECTION FEES FOR APPLICABLE CHECKS (REDUCED RATES)

					es(*)
Item	Plants/plant Products	Quantity	Country of Origin	Normal working hours	Outside normal working hours
		up to 20,000 in number	Columbia	£24.60	£31.10
			Ecuador	£26.70	£35.40
			Kenya	£25.80	£33.60
			Turkey	£28.50	£39.00
			Columbia	£0.01	£0.01
	Dianthus	for each additional 1,000	Ecuador	£0.03	£0.05
	Dianinus	units	Kenya	£0.02	£0.03
			Turkey	£0.05	£0.08
	S	maximum price	Columbia	£28.40	£38.70
			Ecuador	£45.60	£73.20
			Kenya	£38.40	£58.80
			Turkey	£60.00	£102.00
į	S S O IH Phoenix	up to 20,000 in number		£30.30	£42.60
		for each additional 1,000 units	Costa Rica	£0.07	£0.11
		maximum price		£74.40	£130.80
		up to 20,000 in number	Columbia, Ecuador	£24.60	£31.10
			Ethiopia	£24.90	£31.80
			Kenya	£24.90	£31.80
	Rosa		Tanzania, Zambia	£26.70	£35.40
		for each additional 1,000 units	Columbia, Ecuador	£0.01	£0.01
			Ethiopia, Kenya	£0.01	£0.02
			Tanzania, Zambia	£0.03	£0.05

<sup>(\*)</sup> Fee includes a documentary check and an identity check.

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Item	Plants/plant Products	Quantity	Country of Origin	Normal working hours	Outside normal working hours
			Columbia, Ecuador	£28.40	£38.70
		maximum price	Ethiopia, Kenya	£31.20	£44.40
			Tanzania, Zambia	£45.60	£73.20
			Egypt, USA	£26.70	£35.40
			Israel, Mexico, Peru	£25.80	£33.60
		up to 25,000kg in weight	Morocco	£24.90	£31.80
			Tunisia	£33.00	£48.00
	a:		Turkey	£24.60	£31.10
	Citrus	for each additional 1,000kg	Egypt, USA	£0.12	£0.23
			Israel, Mexico, Peru	£0.08	£0.15
			Morocco	£0.04	£0.08
			Tunisia	£0.40	£0.75
			Turkey	£0.03	£0.05
Fruit		up to 25,000kg in weight	Argentina, Brazil	£28.50	£39.00
			Chile, South Africa	£24.90	£31.80
			New Zealand	£25.80	£33.60
			USA	£33.00	£48.00
	Malus		Argentina,	£0.20	£0.38
			Brazil		
		for each additional 1,000kg	Chile, South Africa	£0.04	£0.08
			New Zealand	£0.08	£0.15
			USA	£0.40	£0.75
	Passiflora		Columbia	£25.80	£33.60
		up to 25,000kg in weight	Kenya	£26.70	£35.40
			South Africa	£30.30	£42.60

<sup>(\*)</sup> Fee includes a documentary check and an identity check.

tem	Plants/plant	Quantity	Country of	Normal	es(*) Outside
iem	Products	Quantity	Origin	working hours	normal working hours
			Zimbabwe	£37.50	£57.00
			Columbia	£0.08	£0.15
		for each additional	Kenya	£0.12	£0.23
		1,000kg	South Africa	£0.28	£0.53
			Zimbabwe	£0.60	£1.13
			Argentina	£37.50	£57.00
			Morocco,	£33.00	£48.00
		up to 25,000kg in weight	USA		
		up to 23,000kg in weight	Chile, South		
			Africa,	£25.80	£33.60
	Prunus		Turkey		
		for each additional 1,000kg	Argentina	£0.60	£1.13
			Morocco,	£0.40	£0.75
			USA		
			Chile, South		
			Africa,	£0.08	£0.15
			Turkey		
		up to 25,000kg in weight	Argentina, South Africa	£25.80	£33.60
			Chile	£26.70	£35.40
	Pyrus		China	£37.50	£57.00
	Fyrus	for each additional	Argentina, South Africa	£0.08	£0.15
		1,000kg	Chile	£0.12	£0.23
			China	£0.60	£1.13
		up to 25,000kg in weight		£28.50	£39.00
	Vaccinium	for each additional 1,000kg	Argentina	£0.20	£0.38
Vegetables	Capsicum	up to 25,000kg in weight	Israel, Morocco	£24.90	£31.80
Veg		for each additional 1,000kg	Israel,	£0.04	£0.08

<sup>(\*)</sup> Fee includes a documentary check and an identity check.

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Item	Plants/plant Products	Quantity	Country of Origin	Normal working hours	Outside normal working hours
			Morocco		
	Momordica	up to 25,000kg in weight		£28.50	£39.00
		for each additional 1,000kg	Surinam	£0.20	£0.38
	Solanum Melongena	up to 25,000kg in weight		£25.80	£33.60
		for each additional 1,000kg	Kenya, Turkey	£0.08	£0.15

<sup>(\*)</sup> Fee includes a documentary check and an identity check.

Note: fees are rounded up to the nearest decimal point, with the exception of the additional quantity values, which are rounded up to the nearest penny."; and

(b) for Schedule 3 (additional fees) substitute—

"SCHEDULE

Regulation 5

### ADDITIONAL FEES

Item	Plants, plant products or other objects	Quantity <sup>(*)</sup>	Fee
1	Potatoes originating in Egypt or Lebanon	up to 25,000 kg in weight	£158
		for each 25,000 kg (or part thereof)	£158"

<sup>(\*)</sup> A sample of 200 tubers will be taken for each 25,000 kg lot.

St Andrew's House, Edinburgh 18th November 2015

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Authorised to sign by the Scottish Ministers

#### **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations amend the Plant Health (Import Inspection Fees) (Scotland) Regulations 2014 ("the principal Regulations").

Article 13d of Council Directive 2000/29/EC (OJ L 169, 10.7.2000, p.1) ("the Directive") requires a member State to ensure the collection of fees to cover the costs occasioned by the documentary checks, identity checks and plant health checks of certain imports of plants, plant products and other objects from third countries which are required by Article 13a(1) of the Directive. Pursuant to Article 2 of Commission Regulation (EC) 1756/2004 (OJ L 313, 12.10.2004, p.6), the European Commission notifies member States of plants and plant products which should be subject to reduced inspection and of the rate of such inspection. Regulation 2(a) substitutes Schedule 2 to the principal Regulations to take account of the most recent Commission Notification on reduced inspection rates, available at http://ec.europa.eu/food/plant/plant\_health\_biosafety/trade\_non\_eu/reduced\_frequency\_checks\_en.htm.

The Table provides a comparison of changes made to the fees in Schedule 2 to the principal Regulations:

TABLE
Schedule 2

Genus	Country of origin	Previous rate of inspection	Previous fee <sup>(1)</sup>	New rate of inspection	New fee, specified in Schedule 2
Cut Flowers					
Dianthus	Kenya	5%	£24.90	10%	£25.80
Rosa	Ethiopia	10%	£25.80	5%	£24.90
Fruit					
Citrus	Tunisia	75%	£37.50	50%	£33.00
Citrus	Uruguay	75%	£37.50	100%(2)	_
Passiflora	Kenya	10%	£25.80	15%	£26.70
Prunus	Argentina	50%	£33.00	75%	£37.50
Prunus	USA	10%	£25.80	50%	£33.00

<sup>(1)</sup> Initial fee per consignment for cut flowers (up to 20,000 in number) and fruit and vegetables (up to 25,000 kg in weight). Corresponding fees are set in the principal Regulations for additional quantities, maximum price per consignment and inspections carried out outside normal working hours.

<sup>(2)</sup> Consignments subject to an inspection rate of 100% are excluded from the reduced rate inspection scheme and are subject to the import inspection fees specified in Schedule 1 to the principal Regulations.

Genus	Country of	Previous rate of	Previous	New rate of	New fee,
	origin	inspection	fee <sup>(1)</sup>	inspection	specified
					in
					Schedule 2
Psidium	Brazil	75%	£37.50	100%(2)	_
Pyrus	China	50%	£33.00	75%	£37.50
Vegetables					
Capsisum	Morocco	10%	£25.80	5%	£24.90
Momordica	Surinam	35%	£30.30	25%	£28.50

<sup>(1)</sup> Initial fee per consignment for cut flowers (up to 20,000 in number) and fruit and vegetables (up to 25,000 kg in weight). Corresponding fees are set in the principal Regulations for additional quantities, maximum price per consignment and inspections carried out outside normal working hours.

Regulation 2(b) substitutes Schedule 3 to the principal Regulations, to increase the additional fees for sampling potatoes originating in Egypt or Lebanon from £152 to £158 for quantities of up to 25,000kg in weight and, thereafter, for each 25,000kg or part thereof.

No business and regulatory impact assessment has been prepared for this instrument as it has limited impact on the cost of business.

<sup>(2)</sup> Consignments subject to an inspection rate of 100% are excluded from the reduced rate inspection scheme and are subject to the import inspection fees specified in Schedule 1 to the principal Regulations.