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2024 No. (W.)

PLANT HEALTH, WALES

The Plant Health etc.
(Miscellaneous Fees) (Amendment)
(Wales) Regulations 2024

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations amend the Plant Health etc. (Fees) (Wales) Regulations 2018 and the Plant Health (Fees) (Forestry) (Wales) Regulations 2019.

Regulation 2(2) amends the fees for documentary checks relating to certain plants, plant products or other objects originating from an EU Member State, Liechtenstein or Switzerland. It also provides that no fee is payable for physical and identity checks relating to certain goods from EU Member States, Liechtenstein and Switzerland and provides exceptions to that rule.

Regulation 2(3) inserts a table of certain plants, plant products and other objects to which the fees amended by regulation 2(2) relate. The table updates and corrects the import inspection fees for *Solanum lycopersicum* from Morocco and the Canary Islands.

Regulation 3 amends the Plant Health (Fees) (Forestry) (Wales) Regulations 2019. Paragraph (2) corrects the type of inspection for which a fee is chargeable under those Regulations.

The Welsh Ministers' Code of Practice on the carrying out of Regulatory Impact Assessments was considered in relation to these Regulations. As a result, a regulatory impact assessment has been prepared as to the likely costs and benefits of complying with these Regulations. A copy can be obtained from Welsh Government, Cathays Park, Cardiff, CF10 3NQ and is published on www.gov.wales.

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Made ***

Coming into force

9 May 2024

The Welsh Ministers make these Regulations in exercise of the powers conferred by section 14(1) of, and paragraph 7 of Schedule 4 to, the European Union (Withdrawal) Act 2018(1).

A draft of this instrument has been laid before and approved by Senedd Cymru in accordance with paragraph 1(8) of Schedule 7 to that Act(2).

^{(1) 2018} c. 16, see paragraph 8 of Schedule 4 for the meaning of "appropriate authority". Paragraph 8 of Schedule 4 to the European Union (Withdrawal) Act 2018 ("the 2018 Act") was amended by section 41(4) of, and paragraph 47(5) of Schedule 5 to, the European Union (Withdrawal Agreement) Act 2020 (c. 1) ("the 2020 Act"). Paragraph 21 of Schedule 7 was amended by section 41(4) of, and paragraph 53(2) of Schedule 5, to the 2020 Act.

⁽²⁾ Paragraph 1(8) of Schedule 7 applies to regulations under Schedule 4 by virtue of paragraph 12(3) of Schedule 7 to the 2018 Act. The references in the 2018 Act to the National Assembly for Wales now have effect as a reference to Senedd Cymru by virtue of section 150A(2) of the Government of Wales Act 2006 (c. 32).

PART 1

General

Title and coming into force

- 1.—(1) The title of these Regulations is the Plant Health etc. (Miscellaneous Fees) (Amendment) (Wales) Regulations 2024.
 - (2) They come into force on 9 May 2024.

PART 2

Amendments relating to fees

Amendment of the Plant Health etc. (Fees) (Wales) Regulations 2018

- **2.**—(1) The Plant Health etc. (Fees) (Wales) Regulations 2018(1) are amended as follows.
 - (2) In regulation 3 (import inspection fees)—
 - (a) for paragraph (2) substitute—
 - "(2) The fee payable by the importer of a third country consignment in respect of a documentary check of each phytosanitary certificate or phytosanitary certificate for reexport accompanying the consignment is—
 - (a) in the case of a consignment originating in Liechtenstein containing any plant or plant products falling within the table in Schedule 2B and also within the Schedule to the Official Controls (Plant Health) (Frequency of Checks) Regulations 2022(2), £5.25;
 - (b) in the case of a consignment to which sub-paragraph (a) does not apply, originating in an EU Member State, Liechtenstein or Switzerland and containing only plants or plant products all falling within the table in Schedule 2B, £0.15;
 - (c) in any other case, £5.25.";
 - (b) for paragraph (2E) substitute—
 - "(2E) No fee is payable under paragraph (2A) in respect of—
 - (a) any consignment originating in an EU Member State, Liechtenstein or Switzerland introduced into Wales

⁽¹⁾ S.I. 2018/1179 (W. 238), amended by S.I. 2022/804 (W. 180); there are other amending instruments but none is relevant.

⁽²⁾ S.I. 2022/739, amended by S.I. 2023/959.

- through a relevant port before 31 October 2024, or
- (b) any plants listed in the table in Schedule 2A to the Plant Health (Amendment etc.) (EU Exit) Regulations 2020 contained in any consignment originating in an EU Member State, Liechtenstein or Switzerland introduced into Wales before 31 October 2024.
- (2EA) Paragraph (2E) does not apply to any goods—
 - (a) in a consignment originating in Liechtenstein, and
 - (b) falling within the Schedule to the Official Controls (Plant Health) (Frequency of Checks) Regulations 2022."
- (c) in paragraph (2G), before sub-paragraph (a), for ", the table and Schedule 2A" substitute "and the table";
- (d) in paragraph (3)—
 - (i) after sub-paragraph (d), insert—
 - "(da) "relevant port" means any of the following seaports—
 - (i) Barry;
 - (ii) Cardiff;
 - (iii) Fishguard;
 - (iv) Holyhead;
 - (v) Newport;
 - (vi) Pembroke Dock;
 - (vii) Swansea;
 - (viii) Port Talbot;";
 - (ii) omit sub-paragraph (g).

"SCHEDULE 1 Regulation 3(2A) and (2C)

Import inspection fees

Column 1	Column 2	Column 3	Column 4
Category and	Country of origin	Fee: Physical check	Fee: Identity check (£)
description of		(\pounds)	
plant, plant			
product or other			
<u>object</u>			
	zomes, tubers (other that egetables, dormant, not i		ns, shallots, garlic, leeks and
All genera	Any third country	205.04	5.25
intended for			
planting, other			
than commercial flower			
production, and			
not intended for			
final users(1)			
All genera	Any third country	20.50	0.52
intended for	•		
planting, and			
intended for			
commercial			
flower			
production, or			
for final users			1 1 1 41 411
-	Any third country	not specified or included a 32.15	1.57
All genera Plants for plantin	•	32.13	1.57
Woody	Any third country	32.15	1.57
plants(2) (other	ring time country	32.13	1.57
than specified			
or included			
elsewhere in			
this table),			
intended for			
planting and			
intended for			
final users(1).			
All genera	A 41 1	22.15	1.57
Non-woody plants(3) (other	Any third country	32.15	1.57
than specified or			
included			
elsewhere in this			
table), intended			
for planting. All			
genera			=
Indoor plants(4).	Any third country	32.15	1.57
All genera			

Other plants (other than specified or included elsewhere in this table), intended for planting. All genera Cut flowers	Any third country	32.15	1.57
Dendranthema (DC.) Des Moul. (Chrysanthemum L.)	Any EU Member State, Liechtenstein or Switzerland	1.28	0.15
,	Columbia or Ecuador Any third country other than an EU Member State, Columbia, Ecuador, Liechtenstein or Switzerland	21.37 2.13	2.62 0.26
Eryngium Tournier ex Linnaeus.	Any third country other than an EU Member State, European third country, Liechtenstein or Switzerland	4.27	0.52
Lisianthus L	Any third country other than an EU Member State, European third country, Liechtenstein or Switzerland	4.27	0.52
Rosa L.	Colombia or Ecuador Canada, India, Mexico or the USA	1.28 21.37	0.15 2.62
	Any third country other than an EU Member State, Canada, Colombia, Ecuador, India, Liechtenstein, Mexico, Switzerland or the USA	2.13	0.26
Solidago L.	Any EU Member State, Liechtenstein or Switzerland	1.28	0.15
	Any third country other than an EU Member State, Liechtenstein or Switzerland	4.27	0.52
Other genera not specified or included elsewhere in this table	Any EU Member State, Liechtenstein or Switzerland	1.28	0.15
	Any third country other than an EU Member State, Liechtenstein or Switzerland	2.13	0.26
Branches with foliage, parts of conifers (other than bark or cut Christmas trees)			
All genera	Any EU Member State, Liechtenstein or Switzerland		0.15

	Any third country other than an EU Member State, Liechtenstein or Switzerland	1.69	0.26
Fruit, vegetables,			
Momordica L.	Any EU Member State, Liechtenstein or Switzerland	1.59	0.15
	Any third country other than an EU Member State, Liechtenstein or Switzerland	26.55	2.62
Ocimum L.	Any EU Member State, Liechtenstein or Switzerland	2.15	0.15
	Any third country other than an EU Member State, Liechtenstein or Switzerland	35.84	2.62
Solanaceae Juss. (other than Solanum tuberosum L. Solanum lycopersicum L, Solanum melongena L. and Capsicum sp.)	Any EU Member State, Liechtenstein or Switzerland	1.59	0.15
	Any third country other than an EU Member State, Liechtenstein or Switzerland	26.55	2.62
Solanum lycopersicum L.	Any EU Member State, Liechtenstein or Switzerland	1.59	0.15
	Morocco	2.65	0.26
	Canary Islands	13.27	1.31
	Any third country other than the Canary Islands, an EU Member State, Liechtenstein, Morocco or Switzerland	53.10	5.25
Solanum melongena L.	Any EU Member State, Liechtenstein or Switzerland	1.59	0.15
	Turkey	15.93	1.57
	Any third country other than an EU Member State, Liechtenstein, Switzerland or Turkey	26.55	2.62
Capsicum	Any EU Member State, Liechtenstein or Switzerland	1.59	0.15
	Any third country other than an EU Member State, Liechtenstein or	53.10	5.25

	Switzerland			
Zea mays	Any EU Member State,	1.59	0.15	
	Liechtenstein or			
	Switzerland	52.10	5.25	
	Any third country other than an EU Member	53.10	5.25	
	State, Liechtenstein or			
	Switzerland			
Ipomoea batatas	Any EU Member State,	1.59	0.15	
	Liechtenstein or			
	Switzerland		0.00	
	Any third country other	2.65	0.26	
	than Cameroon, an EU Member State,			
	Liechtenstein or			
	Switzerland			
	Cameroon	53.10	5.25	
Persea	Any EU Member State,	1.59	0.15	
americana	Liechtenstein or			
	Switzerland	0.65	0.26	
	Any third country other than an EU Member	2.65	0.26	
	State, Liechtenstein or			
	Switzerland			
Vitis	Any EU Member State,	1.59	0.15	
	Liechtenstein or			
	Switzerland	0.65	0.00	
	Any third country other than an EU Member	2.65	0.26	
	State, Liechtenstein or			
	Switzerland			
Malus	Any EU Member State,	1.59	0.15	
	Liechtenstein or			
	Switzerland			
	European third	7.96	0.78	
	countries(5)	10.50	1.02	
	Argentina Chile	18.58	1.83	
	New Zealand	2.65 5.31	0.26 0.52	
	South Africa	7.96	0.78	
	Any third country other	53.10	5.25	
	than Argentina, Chile,	23.10	3.23	
	an EU Member State,			
	Liechtenstein, New			
	Zealand, South Africa,			
	Switzerland or			
	European Third countries(5)			
Pyrus	Any EU Member State,	1.59	0.15	
1) 1 0 0	Liechtenstein or	1.09	0.12	
	Switzerland			
	Argentina	13.27	1.31	
	Chile	7.96	0.78	
	South Africa	5.31	0.52	
	Any third country other	53.10	5.25	
	than Argentina, Chile, an EU Member State,			
	Liechtenstein, South			

г.	Africa or Switzerland	1.70	0.15
Fragaria	Any EU Member State, Liechtenstein or	1.59	0.15
	Switzerland		
	Any third country other	2.65	0.26
	than an EU Member		
	State, Liechtenstein or		
	Switzerland		
Rubus	Any EU Member State,	1.59	0.15
	Liechtenstein or Switzerland		
	Any third country other	2.65	0.26
	than an EU Member	2.03	0.20
	State, Liechtenstein or		
	Switzerland		
Vaccinium	Any EU Member State,	1.59	0.15
	Liechtenstein or		
	Switzerland	26.55	2.62
	European third countries(5)	26.55	2.02
	Argentina	13.27	1.31
	Chile	5.31	0.52
	Peru	5.31	0.52
	Any third country other	53.10	5.25
	than Argentina, Chile,		
	an EU Member State,		
	Liechtenstein, Peru, Switzerland or		
	European Third		
	Countries(5)		
Zingiber	Any EU Member State,	1.59	0.15
officinale	Liechtenstein or		
	Switzerland		
	Any third country other	2.65	0.26
	than Cameroon, an EU Member State,		
	Liechtenstein or		
	Switzerland		
	Cameroon	53.10	5.25
Asparagus	Any EU Member State,	1.59	0.15
officinalis	Liechtenstein or		
	Switzerland	53.10	5.25
	Any third country other than an EU Member	53.10	5.25
	State, Liechtenstein or		
	Switzerland		
Other genera or	Any EU Member State,	1.59	0.15
species of fruit	Liechtenstein or		
or vegetables not	Switzerland		
specified or			
included elsewhere in this			
table			
	Any third country other	2.65	0.26
	than an EU Member		
	State, Liechtenstein or		
0.1	Switzerland	2.15	0.15
Other leaves not specified or	Any EU Member State, Liechtenstein or	2.15	0.15
specified of	LICCITCHSTEIN OF		

included elsewhere in this table	Switzerland		
	Any third country other than an EU Member State, Liechtenstein or Switzerland	3.58	0.26
Seeds (for sowing			
All genera, for trials or testing	Any third country	12.81	0.52
Brassicaceae (other than for trials or testing)	Argentina, Australia, Bolivia, Brazil, Chile, New Zealand or Uruguay	128.13	5.25
Capsicum spp. L. (other than for trials or testing)	Any third country	128.13	5.25
Poaceae (other than for trials or testing)	Argentina, Australia, Bolivia, Brazil, Chile, New Zealand or Uruguay	128.13	5.25
Solanum lycopersicum L. (other than for trials or testing)	Any third country	128.13	5.25
Solanum tuberosum L. (True seed) (other than for trials or testing)	Any third country	128.13	5.25
Trifolium spp. (other than for trials or testing)	Argentina, Australia, Bolivia, Brazil, Chile, New Zealand or Uruguay	128.13	5.25
Other genera or species not specified or included elsewhere in this table	Any third country	6.40	0.26
Grain (other than	n seeds for sowing)		
Secale L.	Afghanistan, India, Iran, Iraq, Mexico, Nepal, Pakistan, South Africa or the USA	142.98	5.25
Triticum L.	Afghanistan, India, Iran, Iraq, Mexico, Nepal, Pakistan, South Africa or the USA	142.98	5.25
X Triticosecale Wittm. ex A. Camus	Afghanistan, India, Iran, Iraq, Mexico, Nepal, Pakistan, South Africa or the USA	142.98	5.25
Tubers of potatoo	es		
Solanum tuberosum L. (seed potatoes)	Any third country	156.69	5.25
Solanum	Egypt, Poland,	78.34	2.62

tuberosum L.	Portugal or Romania		
(ware potatoes)			
-	Spain	156.69	5.25
	Any third country other than Egypt, Poland, Portugal, Romania or	4.70	0.15
	Spain		
Cut Christmas ti	rees (less than 3 metres in	height)	
All genera	Any EU Member State, Liechtenstein or Switzerland	3.58	0.15
	Any third country other than an EU Member State, Liechtenstein or Switzerland	5.98	0.26
Machinery or vehicles which have been operated for agricultural or forestry purposes	Any third country	5.98	0.26

- (1) "Intended for final users" means intended, by evidence from the packaging, labelling or by other means, for direct supply to final users.
- (2) "Woody plants" means plants which have a woody or partly woody stem, and includes all trees, forest reproductive material (other than seed), shrubs and palms, and those vines and perennial herbs with woody or partly woody stems; and for this purpose "perennial herbs" means herbs for which the average life exceeds two years.
- (3) "Non-woody plants" means plants that are not woody plants.
- (4) "Indoor plants" means plants which appear from their packaging, labelling or by other means to be intended for direct supply to final users for indoor use or use in aquaria.
- (5) "European third countries" means Albania, Andorra, Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Canary Islands, Faroe Islands, Georgia, Iceland, Moldova, Monaco, Montenegro, North Macedonia, Norway, Russia (only the following parts: Central Federal District (Tsentralny federalny okrug), Northwestern Federal District (Severo-Zapadny federalny okrug), Southern Federal District (Yuzhny federalny okrug), North Caucasian Federal District (Servero-Kavkazsky federalny okrug) and Volga Federal District (Privolzhsky federalny okrug)), San Marino, Serbia, Turkey and Ukraine."
- (4) Omit Schedule 2A (list of plants and plant products originating in an EU member state, Liechtenstein or Switzerland subject to fees for physical checks and identity checks from the end of the transitional staging period).
 - (5) Before Schedule 3, insert—

"SCHEDULE 2B Regulation 3(2)(a) and (b)

Category and description of plant or plant product

Cut Flowers

Dendranthema (DC.) Des Moul.

(*Chrysanthemum* L.)

Rosa L.

Solidago L.

Other genera not specified or included elsewhere in this table

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Branches with foliage, parts of conifers (other than bark or cut Christmas trees)

All genera

Fruit, vegetables, leaves

Momordica L.

Ocimum L.

Solanaceae Juss. (other than Solanum

tuberosum L.)

Solanum melongena L.

Other genera or species of fruit or vegetables not specified or included

elsewhere in this table

Other leaves not specified or included elsewhere in this table

Cut Christmas trees (less than 3 metres in height)

All genera"

Amendment of the Plant Health (Fees) (Forestry) (Wales) Regulations 2019

3. In the Plant Health (Fees) (Forestry) (Wales) Regulations 2019(1), in the table in Schedule 1 (fees for inspections in connection with a plant passport authority), in the first row of the first column (type of inspection), for "Physical inspection" substitute "Inspection".

Name
Cabinet Secretary for Climate Change and Rural
Affairs, one of the Welsh Ministers
Date

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