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2018 No. 772 (W. 156)

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The Plant Health (Export Certification) (Wales) (Amendment) Order 2018

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order amends the Plant Health (Export Certification) (Wales) Order 2006 to provide for increases in the fees payable for services in respect of applications for phytosanitary certificates (including phytosanitary certificates for re-export) and related pre-export services.

The Welsh Ministers' Code of Practice on the carrying out of Regulatory Impact Assessments was considered in relation to this Order. As a result, it was not considered necessary to carry out a regulatory impact assessment as to the likely costs and benefits of complying with this Order.

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Made 27 June 2018

Laid before the National Assembly for Wales 29 June 2018

Coming into force 25 July 2018

The Welsh Ministers, with the consent of the Treasury, and in exercise of the powers conferred by sections 3 and 4A of the Plant Health Act 1967(1), make the following Order:

Title, application and commencement

1. The title of this Order is the Plant Health (Export Certification) (Wales) (Amendment) Order 2018, it applies in relation to Wales and comes into force on 25 July 2018.

Amendment of the Plant Health (Export Certification) (Wales) Order 2006

- **2.**—(1) The Plant Health (Export Certification) (Wales) Order 2006(**2**) is amended as follows.
 - (2) For article 5 substitute—
 - "5.—(1) The fees specified in the table in Schedule 3 are payable in respect of the services described in column 1 of the table by a person

^{(1) 1967} c. 8; section 3(1) was amended by paragraph 8(2)(a) and (b) of Schedule 4 to the European Communities Act 1972 (c. 68) and S.I. 2011/1043. Section 4A was inserted by section 3 of the Agriculture Act 1986 (c. 49). The powers conferred by sections 3 and 4A are conferred on a "competent authority", which is defined in section 1(2). Section 1(2) was amended by paragraph 43 of Schedule 2 to S.I. 2013/755 (W. 90). Section 1(2), as amended, provides that the competent authority for Wales is the Welsh Ministers.

⁽²⁾ S.I. 2006/1701 (W. 163), amended by S.I. 2013/1658 (W. 156), S.I. 2014/1759 (W. 174) and S.I. 2016/1084 (W. 259).

who applies for a certificate or a pre-export service.

- (2) The amount of the fee in respect of any service described in column 1 of the table in Schedule 3 is—
 - (a) in the case of a small exporter who, at the date of the application, has only been liable during the financial year in which the application is made to pay fees of £250 or less in respect of services under this Order, the amount specified in the corresponding entry in column 3 of that table, determined in accordance with the entries for that service in column 2 of that table;
 - (b) in any other case, the amount specified in the corresponding entry in column 4 of that table, determined in accordance with the entries for that service in column 2 of that table.
- (3) The fees specified in the entries in columns 3 and 4 of the table in Schedule 3 in respect of an inspection of a consignment or an audit of a grain inspection are payable for each 15 minutes (or part thereof) spent in carrying out the inspection or audit and any associated activities, subject to the minimum fees specified in those entries.
- (4) Where a person submits an application for a certificate or a pre-export service or a request to amend a certificate in paper form (and not online), the following additional fee is payable in respect of the application or the request—
 - (a) in the case of a small exporter who, at the date of the application or request, has only been liable during the financial year in which the application or request is made to pay fees of £250 or less in respect of services under this Order, £7.43;
 - (b) in any other case, £14.86.
- (5) Any fee payable under this article is payable to the Welsh Ministers on demand.
- (6) In this article, "small exporter", in relation to an application for a certificate or a pre-export service or a request to amend a certificate, means a person who—
 - (a) in the financial year in which the application or request is made—

- (i) is not a taxable person for the purposes of the Value Added Tax Act 1994(1); or
- (ii) does not make a taxable supply of plants, plant products, seeds, soil or agricultural machinery for the purposes of the Value Added Tax Act 1994; or
- (b) in the financial year preceding the year in which the application or request is made, exported goods which were accompanied by a certificate the total value of which was less than £5,000."
- (3) For Schedule 3 substitute—

"SCHEDULE 3 Article 5(1)

Fees for export certification services and pre-export services

In this Schedule—

"period 1" ("cyfnod 1") means the period ending on 30 September 2018;

"period 2" ("cyfnod 2") means the period beginning on 1 October 2018 and ending on 31 March 2019.

(1)		1 (2)	(4)
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
Service	Date	Fee (£)	Fee (£)
Inspection of	In the case of an	34.44 for each 15	68.88 for each 15
consignment	inspection carried	minutes	minutes (or part
	out in period 1	(or part thereof),	thereof), subject to a
		subject to a minimum	minimum fee of
		fee of 68.88	137.76
	In the case of an	35.38 for each 15	70.76 for each 15
	inspection carried	minutes (or part	minutes (or part
	out in period 2	thereof), subject	thereof), subject to a
		to a minimum fee of	minimum fee of
		70.76	141.52
	In the case of an	36.80 for each 15	70.76 for each 15
	inspection carried	minutes (or part	minutes (or part
	out on or after 1	thereof), subject	thereof), subject to a
	April 2019	to a minimum fee of	minimum fee of
		73.60	141.52
Audit of a grain	In the case of an	9.90 for each 15	19.80 for each 15
inspection	audit carried out in	minutes	minutes (or part
carried out	period 1	(or part thereof),	thereof), subject to a
pursuant to		subject	minimum fee of
article		to a minimum fee of	36.90
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	In the case of an	11.55 for each 15	23.10 for each 15
	audit carried out	minutes	minutes (or part
	in period 2	(or part thereof),	thereof), subject to a
		subject	minimum fee of
		to a minimum fee of 23.10	46.20
	In the case of an	13.20 for each 15	26.40 for each 15
	audit carried out	minutes	minutes (or part
	on or after 1	(or part thereof),	thereof), subject to a
	April 2019	subject to a minimum	minimum fee of
		fee of 26.40	52.80
Laboratory	In the case of a	7.69 per sample tested	15.38 per sample
examination	laboratory		tested
	examination		
	carried out in period 1	11.52 man a1-	22.07 man s =1-
	In the case of a	11.53 per sample	23.07 per sample
	laboratory examination	tested	tested
	carried out in period 2		
	In the case of a	15.38 per sample	30.76 per sample
	laboratory	tested	tested
	examination	Colcu	icsicu
	carried out on or		
	after 1 April 2019		
Issue of	In the case of a	9.11 per certificate	18.23 per certificate
certificate	certificate issued	, per certificate	15.25 per continente
	in period 1		
	In the case of a	10.20 per certificate	20.41 per certificate
	certificate issued	- 5.25 per ceramente	
	in period 2		
	In the case of a	11.29 per certificate	22.59 per certificate
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	certificate issued on or after 1 April 2019		
Amendment of		7.43 per certificate	14.86 per
a			certificate"
certificate at			
the			
request of the			
exporter			

(4) Omit Schedule 4.

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27 June 2018