
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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AGRICULTURE

The Arable Area Payments Regulations 1996

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THE ARABLE AREA PAYMENTS REGULATIONS 1996

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Schedule 1: — Derogations from requirement to have farmed for two years land set aside

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- Part I — (Derogations in respect of land in England and Wales)
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Schedule 2: — Management requirements in relation to set-aside land

A. — Management options for set-aside land

1. Management options for set-aside land
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B. — General management conditions applying to all set-aside land

10. Application of conditions to all set-aside land
11. Restriction on cutting the green cover
12. Prohibition on sowing and preparation for sowing a crop on the set-aside land and cultivation of the set-aside land
13. Exemptions from the prohibition on sowing and preparation for sowing a crop on the set-aside land
14. Conditions regarding the cultivation of the set-aside land
15. Replacement of the green cover and changing management options
16. Use of the green cover
17. Prohibition on the application of fertilisers and waste to the set-aside land
18. Application of fertiliser, waste and lime to land which is neither guaranteed set-aside land nor environmental transferred set-aside land
19. Application of fungicides and insecticides to the set-aside land
20. Application of herbicides to the set-aside land
21. Retention of features on the set-aside land

C. — Special conditions applying to guaranteed set-aside land

22. Application of conditions to guaranteed set-aside land
23. Application of fertiliser, waste and lime to guaranteed set-aside land
24. Permitted agricultural production

D. — Exception relating to environmental transferred set-aside land

25. The application of organic waste and lime

Schedule 3: — Requirements in relation to land set aside for the provision of specified raw materials

1. Retention of features on the set-aside land
2. Application of fertilisers and waste to the set-aside land
3. Adjustment or annulment of contracts relating to the provision of specified raw materials grown on set-aside land

Explanatory Note