In accordance with section 50 (6) (d) of the Agriculture Act 2020 a draft of these Regulations has been laid for approval and resolution by the Assembly.

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The Farming with Nature Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2025

Made - - - - XXXX 2025

Coming into operation XXXX 2025

The Department of Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs, in exercise of the powers conferred by section 48 of, and paragraph 7 of Schedule 6 to the Agriculture Act 2020([[1]](#footnote-2)), makes the following Regulations:

Citation and commencement

1. These Regulations may be cited as The Farming with Nature Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2025 and shall come into operation on the day after the day on which it is affirmed by resolution of the Assembly.

Interpretation

1. —(1) In these Regulations—

“the Rural Development Regulation” means Regulation (EU) No. 1305/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council on support for rural development by the European Agricultural Fund for Rural Development([[2]](#footnote-3)).

* 1. The Interpretation Act (Northern Ireland) 1954([[3]](#footnote-4)) shall apply to these Regulations as it applies to an Act of the Assembly.

Amendment of the Rural Development Regulation

1. The Rural Development Regulation is amended in accordance with regulations 4 and 5.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs on XXXX 2025.

Senior Officer

A senior officer of the Department of Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs

1. () 2020 c. 21 [↑](#footnote-ref-2)
2. () EUR 1305/2013 [↑](#footnote-ref-3)
3. () 1954 c. 33 [↑](#footnote-ref-4)