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Fertilizers Act 1977

Fertilizers Amendment Regulations 1998

Made by the deputy of the Governor in Executive Council.

1. Citation

These regulations may be cited as the *Fertilizers Amendment Regulations* 1998.

2. Commencement

These regulations come into operation on the day on which Part 5 of the *Agricultural Legislation Amendment and Repeal Act* 1998 comes into operation.

3. The regulations amended

The amendments in these regulations are to the *Fertilizers Regulations 1978**.

[* Published in Gazette 15 September 1978, pp. 3436-42. For amendments to 7 October 1998 see 1997 Index to Legislation of Western Australia, Table 4, p. 76.]

4. Regulation 2 amended

After the definition of "section" in regulation 2, the following definition is inserted —

"test sieve" means a test sieve conforming to Australian Standard 1152 Grade B;

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5. Regulations 4, 5 and 6 repealed

Regulations 4, 5 and 6 are repealed.

6. Regulation 7 replaced

Regulation 7 is repealed and the following regulation is inserted instead —

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7. Lime, standards

- (1) Fertilizer shall not be sold as "Agricultural Lime (First Grade)" unless it
 - (a) consists of at least 80% fine material capable of passing through a test sieve with an aperture size not exceeding 0.6 mm; and
 - (b) has a neutralizing value that is at least 75% of the neutralizing value of pure calcium carbonate.
- (2) Fertilizer shall not be sold as "Agricultural Lime (Second Grade)" unless it
 - (a) consists of at least 60% fine material capable of passing through a test sieve with an aperture size not exceeding 0.6 mm; and
 - (b) has a neutralizing value that is at least 50% of the neutralizing value of pure calcium carbonate.
- (3) Fertilizer shall not be sold as "Pelleting Lime" unless it
 - (a) consists of at least 99% fine material that is capable of passing through a test sieve with an aperture size not exceeding 0.053 mm;
 - (b) has a neutralizing value that is at least 90% of the neutralizing value of pure calcium carbonate; and
 - (c) has a ph value of not more than 9.8 using a limestone to water ratio of not less than 1:5.

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7. Regulation 8 repealed

Regulation 8 is repealed.

8. Regulation 9 replaced

Regulation 9 is repealed and the following regulation is inserted instead —

9. Bone dust, bone meal, blood and bone, standards

(1) Fertilizer shall not be sold as "Bone Dust" or "Bone Meal" unless it contains at least 2% nitrogen and at least 5.5% phosphorus.

- (2) Fertilizer shall not be sold as "Blood and Bone" unless it contains at least 4% nitrogen and at least 3% phosphorus.
- (3) Fertilizer shall not be sold as "Bone Dust" or "Bone Meal" or "Blood and Bone" unless
 - (a) the whole bulk of a sample of the fertilizer is capable of passing through a test sieve with an aperture size not exceeding 4.75 mm;
 - (b) at least 55% of the sample is capable of passing through a test sieve with an aperture size not exceeding 0.6 mm; and
 - (c) the materials of which the fertilizer is composed are only of animal origin.

9. Regulation 11 repealed

Regulation 11 is repealed.

10. Regulation 12 amended

Regulation 12(1) is amended as follows:

- (a) in paragraphs (a) and (b), delete "registered";
- (b) delete paragraph (c) and "and" after it and insert instead
 - (c) the name and address of the manufacturer or formulator; and

11. Regulation 16 amended

Regulation 16(1) is amended by deleting "the trade description of a fertiliser registered under the Act" and inserting instead —

- " a standard prescribed for a fertilizer ".
- (2) Regulation 16(2) is amended by deleting "registered under the name of" and inserting instead
 - " described as ".

12. Regulation 19 repealed

Regulation 19 is repealed.

13. Regulation 21 amended

Regulation 21(2) is repealed.

14. First Schedule repealed

The First Schedule is repealed.

15. Second Schedule amended

The Second Schedule is amended by deleting Forms 2, 3 and 4.

By Command of the deputy of the Governor,

M. C. WAUCHOPE, Clerk of the Executive Council.

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