



**INFORMATION NOTE ON REVISED RATES OF OFFICIAL CONTROLS REGULATION FEES WITH EFFECT FROM  
1ST JANUARY 2021 - (REVISION 1, DATED 5<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY 2021)**

The purpose of this Information Note is to provide clarification to Trader Notice DH 02/2020 dated 21<sup>st</sup> December 2020 and the Information Note issued 22<sup>nd</sup> January 2021.

Current guidelines for payment of Official Control fees are contained under S.I. 22 of 2020 (giving effect to EU Regulation 625/2017, Chapter VI).

Obligation under this legislation applies to all Food Business Operators registered in the Republic of Ireland.

**From the 1<sup>st</sup> January 2021 the first 30 tonnes of milk acquired by the Food Business Operator will be charged at €1. This payment is applicable only once, for the first 30 tonnes acquired by the Food Business Operator from 1<sup>st</sup> January 2021. Thereafter, for the lifetime of this legislation each further tonne will be charged at 50 cent as stipulated in EU Regulation 625/2017, Annex IV.**

Amount	Charge
1 <sup>st</sup> 30 tonnes from 01/01/21	€1.00
Every tonne thereafter	€0.50 per tonne
<b>CONVERSION RATE*:</b>	
<b>1 tonne = 971.164 litres</b>	
<i>*(as per Central Statistics Office 2020)</i>	

**Example 1**

FBO 'ABC' acquires 100,000 litres of milk in December 2020. Under the **previous** fee structure (up to 31<sup>st</sup> December 2020), the fee due was calculated at €0.001 cent per litre.

Therefore, 100,000 litres x 0.001 cent = €100



### Example 2

FBO 'ABC' acquires 100,000 litres of milk in January 2021. Under the **new** fee structure (as laid down in EU Regulation 625/2017 and applicable from 1<sup>st</sup> January 2021), the fee due is calculated as follows:

#### Step 1:

Convert litres to tonnes:  $100,000 \text{ litres} \div 971.164 = \mathbf{102.97 \text{ tonnes}}$

#### Step 2:

Subtract 30 tonnes from this total (permissible only once for the duration of the new fee structure)

$102.97 \text{ tonnes} - 30 \text{ tonnes} = \mathbf{72.97 \text{ tonnes}}$

**Total Cost for 1<sup>st</sup> 30 tonnes = €1**

#### Step 3:

Calculate remaining tonnes @ 50 cent per tonne:  $72.97 \times 0.5 \text{ (cent)}$

$= €36.48 + €1$

**TOTAL AMOUNT DUE = €37.48**

Payment of Official Control fees due under EU Regulation (EC) 625/2017 is the responsibility of the Food Business Operator. Payment of these fees can be made monthly or quarterly. The first return is not due until the 30 tonne threshold has been exceeded.

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