STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

2002 No. 296

EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES ANIMALS

Animals and Animal Products (Import and Export) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2002

Made - - - - 19th September 2002
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The Department of Agriculture and Rural Development, being a Department designated(1) for the purposes of section 2(2) of the European Communities Act 1972(2) in relation to the common agricultural policy of the European Community, in exercise of the powers conferred on it by the said section 2(2) and of every other power enabling it in that behalf, hereby makes the following Regulations:

Citation and commencement

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Animals and Animal Products (Import and Export) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2002 and shall come into operation on 21st October 2002.

Interpretation

- **2.**—(1) In these Regulations "the principal Regulations" means the Animals and Animal Products (Import and Export) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2000(3).
- (2) The Interpretation Act (Northern Ireland) 1954(4) shall apply to these Regulations as it applies to an Act of the Northern Ireland Assembly.

Amendment of the principal Regulations

- 3.—(1) In Regulation 12 of the principal Regulations
 - (a) in paragraph (2) after the words "Council Directive 64/432/EEC" there shall be added the words –

⁽¹⁾ S.I.2000/2812

⁽**2**) 1972 c. 68

⁽³⁾ S.R. 2000 No. 253 as amended by S.R. 2001 No. 312

^{(4) 1954} c. 33 (N.I.)

"and is satisfied that the operator of the assembly centre has agreed to comply with the requirements for the operation of the centre which the Department has specified in an operational agreement as being the requirements the inspector believes are necessary to ensure the centre is capable of being operated in accordance with the second indent of Article 3(2) of Council Directive 90/425/EEC"; and

- (b) in paragraph (3), after the words "cattle or pigs" there shall be inserted the words "or sheep or goats".
- (2) In Part I of Schedule 2 to the principal Regulations
 - (a) in paragraph 9, after the entry referring to Commission Decision 97/315/EC there shall be added the following entry –

"Commission Decision 2001/327/EC (O.J. No. L115, 25.4.2001, p. 12), as amended by Decisions 2001/349/EC (O.J. No. L123, 4.5.2001, p. 26), 2001/378/EC (O.J. No. L132, 15.5.2001, p. 31), 2001/394/EC (O.J. No. L138, 22.5.2001, p. 36), 2001/416/EC (O.J. No. L149, 2.6.2001, p. 40), 2001/488/EC (O.J. No. L176, 29.6.2001, p. 75), 2001/709/EC (O.J. No. L261, 29.9.2001, p. 69), 2001/904/EC (O.J. No. L335, 19.12.2001, p. 21) 2002/153/EC (O.J. No. L50, 21/2/2002, p. 98) and 2002/242/EC (O.J. No. L82, 26.3.2002, p. 18);" and

(b) after paragraph 15 there shall be added the following paragraph –

"Animals of species susceptible to foot-and-mouth disease

16. Commission Decision 2001/327/EC (O.J. No. L115, 25.4.2001, p. 12), as amended by Decisions 2001/349/EC (O.J. No. L123, 4.5.2001, p. 26), 2001/378/EC (O.J. No. L132, 15.5.2001, p. 31), 2001/394/EC (O.J. No. L138, 22.5.2001, p. 36), 2001/416/EC (O.J. No. L149, 2.6.2001, p. 40), 2001/488/EC (O.J. No. L176, 29.6.2001, p. 75), 2001/709/EC (O.J. No. L261, 29.9.2001, p. 69), 2001/904/EC (O.J. No. L335, 19.12.2001, p. 21, 2002/153/EC (O.J. No. L50, 21.2.2002, p. 98) and 2002/242/EC (O.J. No. L82, 26.3.2002, p. 18).

Relevant provisions: Article 2a".

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of Agriculture and Rural Development on 19th September 2002.

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EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations.)

These Regulations amend the Animals and Animal Products (Import and Export) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2000 (S.R. 2000 No. 253 as amended by S.R. 2001 No. 312) to make provision to give effect to Commission Decision 2001/327/EC concerning restrictions to the movement of animals of susceptible species with regard to foot-and-mouth disease (O.J. No. L115, 25.4.2001, p. 12), as amended.

The Regulations also introduce operational agreements for assembly centres to ensure that such centres are capable of being operated in accordance with the second indent of Article 3(2) of Council Directive 90/425/EEC.