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The Swine Vesicular Disease
Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2009

PART III

SUSPICION AND CONFIRMATION OF SWINE VESICULAR DISEASE

CHAPTER 1

Scope of Part III and initial controls

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9. This Part applies to all premises other than slaughterhouses.

Initial controls following notification

10.—(1) This regulation shall apply where the Department is notified under regulation 8(1) of a suspect pig or carcase and a veterinary inspector considers that further investigation relating to the possible presence of swine vesicular disease is necessary.

(2) The veterinary inspector shall orally or otherwise inform the person reporting the suspect pig or carcase that further investigation is necessary, and the controls in paragraph (3) then apply.

(3) Except as permitted in writing by a veterinary inspector, the person in possession or charge of a notified pig or carcase shall ensure that—

- (a) the notified pig or carcase is not moved from the premises where it is,
- (b) no other pig or carcase or any thing likely to spread swine vesicular disease virus is moved from or to those premises, and

failure to do so is an offence.

(4) Except as permitted in writing by a veterinary inspector, the person in possession or charge of a notified pig or carcase shall ensure that any person —

- (a) who has been in contact with any pig or carcase on the premises; or
- (b) has been on any part of the premises that may be contaminated with swine vesicular disease virus,

takes all necessary biosecurity precautions to reduce the risk of spreading swine vesicular disease virus before leaving the premises.

(5) This regulation shall apply until—

- (a) a veterinary inspector serves a notice on the occupier under these Regulations declaring the premises to be suspect premises, or
- (b) a veterinary inspector confirms (orally or otherwise) that the presence of swine vesicular disease virus on the premises is not suspected.