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The Swine Vesicular Disease (Scotland) Order 2009

PART 3

Conservation and related measures

Pigs kept for conservation or research

14.—(1) The Scottish Ministers may by notice exempt a pig from slaughter or killing under this Order if the pig is kept for a purpose relating to—

- (a) the conservation of species or genetic resource;
- (b) scientific research;
- (c) breeding for such research.

(2) A biosecurity notice—

- (a) must be served when the veterinary inspector is satisfied that it is necessary to do so in order to prevent or reduce the risk of the spread of swine vesicular disease;
- (b) may be served when the veterinary inspector considers that it is expedient to do so in order to prevent or reduce that risk.

(3) In this article, “biosecurity notice” means a notice by a veterinary inspector to the occupier of premises at which an exempted pig is kept requiring the occupier to ensure the performance of the biosecurity measures specified in the notice.

Pigs living in the wild

15.—(1) This article applies in respect of a pig living in the wild.

(2) An authorised person may enter any premises where a pig is present, or suspected to be present, and—

- (a) undertake surveillance for pigs;
- (b) sedate or capture (with or without sedation) a pig;
- (c) take samples from a pig;
- (d) kill a pig provided that a veterinary inspector is satisfied that—
 - (i) the pig is suspected of being infected with swine vesicular disease, and it is not practicable to take a sample without killing the pig; or
 - (ii) the pig is infected with swine vesicular disease.

(3) An authorised person may dispose of a pig after capture, or the carcase of a pig after killing, in such manner as the person considers is necessary or expedient in order to remove or reduce the risk of the spread of swine vesicular disease.

(4) In this article, “an authorised person” means—

- (a) for the purposes of sedating, capturing or killing a pig, a—

- (i) veterinary inspector; or
- (ii) person acting under the instructions of a veterinary inspector for any one or more of those purposes;
- (b) for the purpose of taking a sample from a live pig, a veterinary inspector;
- (c) for all other purposes, a veterinary inspector, an inspector, or an officer of the Scottish Ministers acting under the instruction of a veterinary inspector.