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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**2020 No. 1462**

The Import of, and Trade in, Animals and Animal Products  
(Miscellaneous Amendments) (EU Exit) Regulations 2020

PART 3

Amendment of retained direct EU legislation

**Commission Decision 2000/572/EC laying down the animal and public health and veterinary certification conditions for imports of meat preparations into the Community from third countries**

**40.**—(1) Commission Decision 2000/572/EC laying down the animal and public health and veterinary certification conditions for imports of meat preparations into the Community from third countries is amended as follows.

(2) In Article 1—

- (a) number the existing text as paragraph 1;
- (b) after paragraph 1 insert—

“2. In this Decision:

“appropriate authority” means the Secretary of State (in relation to England), the Welsh Ministers (in relation to Wales) and the Scottish Ministers (in relation to Scotland); but the “appropriate authority” is the Secretary of State if consent is given by:

- (a) in relation to Wales, the Welsh Ministers;
- (b) in relation to Scotland, the Scottish Ministers;

“meat preparations” means fresh meat, including meat that has been reduced to fragments, which has had foodstuffs, seasonings or additives added to it or which has undergone processes insufficient to modify the internal muscle fibre structure of the meat and thus to eliminate the characteristics of fresh meat;

“third country” means any country or territory other than the British Islands.”.

(3) In Article 4—

- (a) in paragraph 2, for “and conforming to the model laid down in Annex II” substitute “in accordance with a certificate in the form published by the appropriate authority from time to time”;
- (b) in paragraph 3, for “at least one of the official languages of the Member State of introduction into the Community” substitute “English and may also appear in other languages”.

(4) For Article 4a substitute—

*“Article 4a*

The appropriate authority must ensure that consignments of meat preparations for human consumption which are introduced onto their territory and are destined for a third country by transit, either immediately or after storage in accordance with Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2019/2124, and which are not intended for importation into the United Kingdom, comply with the following requirements:

- (a) they come from the territory of a third country, or part of a third country, listed in:
    - (i) Annex I, Part 1 to Regulation (EC) No 798/2008 for the import of fresh poultry meat;
    - (ii) Annex I, Part 1 to Regulation (EC) No 119/2009 for the import of rabbit and game meat; or
    - (iii) Annex II, Part 1 to Regulation (EU) No 206/2010 for the import of fresh meat;
  - (b) they meet the specific animal health conditions for the species concerned set out in the animal health certificate for the import of fresh meat of a specified species, poultry meat, or rabbit and game meat, in the form published by the appropriate authority from time to time;
  - (c) they are accompanied by an animal health certificate for transit and storage of meat preparations, in the form as published by the appropriate authority from time to time, signed by an official veterinarian of the competent veterinary services of the third country concerned;
  - (d) they are certified as acceptable for transit or storage (as appropriate) on the Common Health Entry Document by the Official Veterinarian of the Border Control Post of introduction.”.
- (5) Omit Articles 4b and 7.
- (6) Omit Annexes 2 and 3.