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ANIMALS

The Tuberculosis Control (Amendment) Order (Northern Ireland) 1986

Made 18th February 1986

Coming into operation 1st June 1986

The Department of Agriculture, in exercise of the powers conferred on it by Articles 5(1)(b), 44(a) and (b) and 60(1) of the Diseases of Animals (Northern Ireland) Order 1981(a) and of every other power enabling it in that behalf, hereby makes the following Order:

Citation, commencement and interpretation

1.—(1) This Order may be cited as the Tuberculosis Control (Amendment) Order (Northern Ireland) 1986 and shall come into operation on 1st June 1986.

(2) In this Order “the principal Order” means the Tuberculosis Control Order (Northern Ireland) 1964(b).

Amendment of the principal Order

2. The principal Order shall be amended as follows:—

(1) in Article 2—

(a) after the definition of “authorised officer” there shall be inserted—

“ “check letter” means a letter allocated by the Department as part of the identification number;”;

(b) after the definition of “ear tag” there shall be inserted—

“ “ear tag notice” means a notice furnished to the Department by a herd-owner in the form specified in Schedule 3;”;

(c) after the definition of “herd” there shall be inserted—

“ “herd number” means the number allocated by the Department to the herd in which an animal is identified in accordance with Article 14;”;

(d) for the definition of “identification number” there shall be substituted—

“ “identification number” means a number allocated by the Department which comprises an animal’s herd number, its individual number and in respect of an identification number included in an ear tag notice a check letter;”;

(e) after the definition “identification number” there shall be inserted—

“ “individual number” means a number between 1 and 9999 allocated to an animal in the herd in which it is identified in accordance with Article 14;”.

(2) in Article 14 for paragraph (b) there shall be substituted—

“(b) on the ear tag there shall be an identification number.”.

(a) S.I. 1981/1115 (N.I. 22); Article 5(1)(b) was amended by Article 17 of the Agriculture (Miscellaneous Provisions) (Northern Ireland) Order 1984 (S.I. 1984/702 (N.I. 2))

(b) S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1964 No. 31; the relevant amending orders are S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1968 No. 236, S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1973 No. 76, S.R. 1981 No. 348 and S.R. 1981 No. 412

(3) after Article 14 the following Articles shall be inserted—

“**14A.**—(1) A herd-owner shall furnish to the Department by 31st July 1986 a return in the form specified in Schedule 2.

(2) The return required under paragraph (1) shall state—

(a) the name and address of the herd-owner,

(b) the herd number allocated by the Department to his herd, and

(c) the identification numbers of all ear tags—

(i) which have been applied to the ears of animals in his herd between 1st June 1986 and 30th June 1986; and

(ii) the herd-owner has in his possession on 30th June 1986 but has not applied to the ears of animals.

14B.—(1) Subject to paragraph (3) on or after 1st July 1986 a person shall not apply to the ear of an animal an ear tag unless the identification number of the ear tag—

(a) includes a check letter allocated by the Department; and

(b) is included in an ear tag notice which has been furnished to the Department by the herd-owner of the herd in which the animal is being kept.

(2) An ear tag notice shall be in the form specified in Schedule 3 and shall state—

(a) the name and address of the herd-owner;

(b) the number allocated by the Department to his herd;

(c) the name and address of the supplier or manufacturer of the ear tags;

(d) the identification numbers of the ear tags which the herd-owner will be applying to the ears of animals in his herd;

(e) the quantity of ear tags the herd-owner intends to apply to the ears of animals in his herd; and

(f) the brand name of the ear tags.

(3) Until 31st December 1986 paragraph (1) shall not apply if the identification number of the ear tag applied to the ear of the animal is included in the return required under Article 14A.”

(4) the Schedule to the principal Order shall be renumbered as Schedule 1.

(5) after Schedule 1 to the principal Order there shall be inserted the following Schedules—

TUBERCULOSIS CONTROL ORDER (NORTHERN IRELAND) 1964

Record of Ear Tags at 30th June 1986

Name of herd-owner _____ Herd No _____

Address _____

<i>Identification numbers of ear tags applied to animals between 1st June 1986 and 30th June 1986*</i>	<i>Identification numbers of ear tags in my possession but not applied to animals at 30th June 1986*</i>

* NOTE In the case of an uninterrupted sequence of numbers it is sufficient to quote the first and last number of the sequence provided that the form is noted "uninterrupted sequence".

I hereby declare that the information recorded in this form is true and complete.

Signature of herd-owner _____ Date _____

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Ear Tag Notice

I intend to apply to animals in my herd the ear tags recorded in the table.

Name of herd-owner _____ Herd No _____

Address _____

The ear tags recorded in the Table are to be supplied by:

Name of Supplier or Manufacturer _____

Address _____

TABLE

<i>Identification numbers of ear tags*</i>	<i>Quantity of ear tags</i>	<i>Brand Name of ear tags</i>

* NOTES In the case of an uninterrupted sequence of numbers it is sufficient to quote the first and last number of the sequence provided that the form is noted "uninterrupted sequence".

The ear tags must be approved by the Department of Agriculture under the Tuberculosis Control Order (Northern Ireland) 1964.

Signature of herd-owner _____ Date _____ .".

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of Agriculture on 18th February 1986.

(L.S.)

S. R. Armstrong

Assistant Secretary

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order.)

This Order amends the Tuberculosis Control Order (Northern Ireland) 1964 by modifying the provisions for the identification of bovine animals with ear tags and requiring the preparation of returns and notices in connection with these ear tags.

Article 2 of this Order inserts into the Tuberculosis Control Order (Northern Ireland) 1964 two new Articles — Article 14A and Article 14B.

Under Article 14A herd-owners are required to furnish to the Department of Agriculture returns, in the form set out in Schedule 2, showing the identification numbers of ear tags which have been applied to bovine animals between 1st June 1986 and 30th June 1986 and the identification numbers of ear tags which herd-owners have in their possession on 30th June 1986 but have not applied to animals. Herd-owners must furnish these returns by 31st July 1986. Under Article 14B on or after 1st July 1986 a person shall not apply to a bovine animal an ear tag unless the identification number of the ear tag includes a check letter (as defined in Article 2(1)) and is included in an ear tag notice (in the form set out in Schedule 3) furnished to the Department of Agriculture by the herd-owner of the herd in which the animal is being kept. Until 31st December 1986 the requirements of Article 14B do not apply if the identification number of the ear-tag applied to the animal is included in the return required under Article 14A.

Any person who contravenes a provision of this Order is guilty of an offence against the Diseases of Animals (Northern Ireland) Order 1981. A person guilty of such an offence is liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding £2,000 or in the case of an offence committed with respect to more than five animals, not exceeding £400 for each animal.

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These Orders have been exempted from printing by the Statutory Rules (Northern Ireland) Order 1979.

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