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Diseases of Animals (Feedingstuffs) (Amendment) Order (Northern Ireland) 1995

| Made | • | • | • | • | • | 21st February 1995 |
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| Coming into operation | | | | • | • | 27th March 1995 |

The Department of Agriculture, in exercise of the powers conferred on it by Articles 2(3), 5(1), 19(e), (f) and (k), 32, 44 and 60(1) of the Diseases of Animals (Northern Ireland) Order 1981(a) and of every other power enabling it in that behalf, and in the interests of animal health in respect of the exercise of its powers under Article 32, hereby makes the following Order:

Citation and commencement

1. This Order may be cited as the Diseases of Animals (Feedingstuffs) (Amendment) Order (Northern Ireland) 1995 and shall come into operation on 27th March 1995.

Amendment of the Diseases of Animals (Feedingstuffs) Order (Northern Ireland) 1992

2. The Diseases of Animals (Feedingstuffs) Order (Northern Ireland) 1992(b) shall be amended as provided in Articles 3 and 4.

Interpretation

3. In Article 3—

- (a) for the definition of "carcase" there shall be substituted the following definition—
 - " "carcase" means the carcase of any kind of mammal except man;";
- (b) the definitions of "general export licence" and "specific export licence" shall be deleted; and
- (c) for the definition of "specified bovine offal" there shall be substituted the following definition—
 - " "specified bovine offal" in relation to any bovine animal means-
 - (a) where the animal is over six months of age and has died, or been slaughtered, in the United Kingdom, the brain, spinal cord, spleen, thymus, tonsils and intestines;

(b) S.R. 1992 No. 215

⁽a) S.I. 1981/1115 (N.I. 22) as amended by S.I. 1984/702 (N.I. 2) Art. 17 and S.I. 1994/1891 (N.I. 6) Arts. 19 and 23

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- (b) where the animal is two months of age or over but not over six months of age and has died, or been slaughtered, in the United Kingdom, the thymus and intestines only; and
- (c) where the animal is under two months of age and has been slaughtered in the United Kingdom for human consumption, the thymus and intestines only;".

Regulation of exportation of specified bovine offal or animal protein4. For Article 6 there shall be substituted the following Article—

"Regulation of exportation of specified bovine offal or animal protein

6.—(1) Subject to paragraph (2), a person shall not export from Northern Ireland to Great Britain, the Isle of Man, any of the Channel Islands or to a Member State any specified bovine offal or animal protein derived from any specified bovine offal.

(2) The prohibition in paragraph (1) shall not apply to the export for research purposes of specified bovine offal or protein derived from any specified bovine offal under the authority of and in accordance with the conditions of a licence granted by the Department.

(3) Any person wishing to obtain a licence under paragraph (2) shall apply to the Department in such form and manner and within such time as the Department may require.".

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of Agriculture on 21st February 1995.

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EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order.)

This Order amends the Diseases of Animals (Feedingstuffs) Order (Northern Ireland) 1992.

The controls on certain specified bovine offal are extended to include the thymus and intestines of all bovine animals with an exception for offal from bovine animals under two months of age which have not been slaughtered for human consumption (Article 3).

The Order implements Commission Decision 94/381/EC (O.J. No. L172, 7.7.94, p. 23) by extending the prohibition on the sale, supply and use of animal protein derived from the carcase of a ruminant animal for feeding to ruminant animals to include protein derived from the carcase of any kind of mammal except man (Article 3).

The Order also implements Article 3(1)(b) of Commission Decision 94/474/EC (O.J. No. L194, 29.7.94, p. 96) by amending the provisions relating to the prohibition on the export of specified bovine offal and animal protein derived from specified bovine offal. Such export may now be authorised by licence only if it is for research purposes (Article 4).