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STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

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**1998 No. 237**

**Animals and Animal Products (Examination for Residues and Maximum Residue Limits) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1998**

**Part II**

**Prohibitions and Exceptions**

**Exception to prohibition on slaughter**

**12.**—(1) Notwithstanding the prohibition on slaughter of an animal or batch of animals by notice served pursuant to regulation 22(4), that animal or batch of animals may be slaughtered before the withdrawal of such notice if the owner of that animal or batch of animals complies with paragraphs (2) to (5).

(2) Notice of the proposed date and place of slaughter shall be given to an authorised officer before that date.

(3) The animal or batch of animals, marked, or caused to be marked, by an authorised officer under regulation 21(2)(c), shall be accompanied to the place of slaughter by a certificate issued by an authorised officer identifying the animal or batch of animals and the farm of origin.

(4) After slaughter any animal product derived from the animal or from an animal of that batch of animals shall be retained in such place and manner as an authorised officer may specify, while it is subjected to such examination as he may reasonably consider necessary.

(5) Where the examination (the result of which shall be served by an authorised officer on the owner by notice in writing) confirms that any animal product referred to in paragraph (4) contains an authorised substance at a concentration exceeding the relevant maximum residue limit, the animal product shall be disposed of for a purpose other than human consumption.