

SCHEDULE 4

CONTROL AND ERADICATION OF TSE IN SHEEP AND GOATS

Confirmation of TSE in sheep

6.—(1) If it is confirmed that a suspected sheep, or a body of a sheep monitored under Annex III of the Community TSE Regulation, is affected with a TSE, the Department, after—

- (a) carrying out the inquiry specified in Article 13(1)(b) and in point 1(b) of Annex VII of the Community TSE Regulation; and
- (b) sampling the animals to establish their genotype (if this is necessary),

shall decide which of the options set out in points 2(b)(i) and (ii) of Annex VII of the Community TSE Regulation it intends to exercise.

(2) It shall then serve a notice on the occupier of the premises in question informing him of which of the options in those paragraphs it intends to exercise.

(3) The notice shall specify—

- (a) the identity of the animals to be killed and destroyed;
- (b) the identity of the animals (if any) to be slaughtered for human consumption;
- (c) the identity of the animals (if any) that may be retained;
- (d) the identity of any ovum or embryo to be destroyed;
- (e) the time limit for complying with the notice; and
- (f) the right to apply for a derogation in accordance with paragraph 22(3).

(4) The appeals procedure in regulation 10 applies in relation to any decision under this paragraph.