
STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

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**The Beef and Pig Carcase Classification
Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2010**

PART 4

PIG CARCASES

Exemption for small-scale pig operators

13.—(1) These Regulations do not apply to an operator of an approved slaughterhouse at which not more than 200 clean pigs per week as an annual average are slaughtered.

(2) But nothing in paragraph (1) prevents the application of these Regulations in relation to bovine carcases if adult bovine animals are also slaughtered in that operator's slaughterhouse.

Competent authority etc.: pig carcases

14.—(1) The Department is the competent authority for the purposes of Article 22(2) of the Commission Regulation (carcase weight).

(2) The Department is responsible for on-the-spot checks as described in Article 24 of the Commission Regulation.

Records instead of marking

15. Except where a pig carcase is to be marketed uncut in another member State, an operator may, instead of marking a pig carcase in accordance with Article 21(3) of the Commission Regulation—

- (a) identify a pig carcase, and
- (b) complete a record in relation to that carcase,

as provided for by Article 21(4) of that Regulation.

Records: pig carcases

16.—(1) An operator of an approved slaughterhouse must keep a record of the particulars specified in Schedule 4 relating to each pig carcase which is classified in that slaughterhouse.

(2) The operator must retain each record for a period of 12 months from the end of the calendar year to which the record relates.