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The African Horse Sickness Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2013

PART VII

VACCINATION

Prohibition on vaccination

23. No person may vaccinate a horse against African horse sickness except in accordance with these Regulations or under the authority of a licence granted by a veterinary inspector.

Compulsory vaccination

- **24.**—(1) The Department may declare a vaccination zone, other than in a surveillance zone.
- (2) Subject to paragraph (4), where a vaccination zone has been declared, any occupier of premises inside that zone shall ensure the vaccination of horses on their premises in accordance with that declaration.
- (3) Premises partly inside and partly outside a vaccination zone are treated as being inside that zone.
- (4) A veterinary inspector may serve a notice on any person in possession or charge of a horse, other than one kept in a surveillance zone, requiring that person to vaccinate the horse in accordance with the notice (whether or not a vaccination zone has been declared under paragraph (1)).

Vaccinated horses

- **25.**—(1) The owner of a horse that has been vaccinated against African horse sickness virus shall ensure that the horse is identified by way of a microchip and a record of such horse having been vaccinated is kept.
- (2) A person shall not move a vaccinated horse from the premises where it was vaccinated until at least 60 days have elapsed since—
 - (a) the date of that vaccination; or
- (b) if the vaccination includes a course of doses, the date of the final dose, except under the authority of a licence granted by a veterinary inspector.