
STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

2019 No. 67

The Equine Identification Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2019

PART 1

Introduction

Citation and commencement

1. These Regulations may be cited as The Equine Identification Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2019 and, shall come into operation on 29th March 2019.

Interpretation

2.—(1) The Interpretation Act (Northern Ireland) 1954 shall apply to this Order as it applies to an Act of the Assembly.

(2) In these Regulations—

“authorised officer” means any person authorised by the Department to enforce these Regulations;

“Commission Implementing Regulation” means [Commission Implementing Regulation \(EU\) No. 2015/262\(1\)](#) (laying down rules pursuant to [Council Directives 90/427/EEC\(2\)](#) and [2009/156/EC\(3\)](#) as regards the methods for the identification of equidae (Equine Passport Regulation)) as amended from time to time;

“the Department” means the Department of Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs;

“horse” means wild or domesticated solipeds within the genus *Equus* of the family Equidae, and their crosses;

“issuing body” means an issuing body in accordance with the Commission Implementing Regulation;

“passport” means an identification document for the identification of a horse in accordance with the Commission Implementing Regulation;

“veterinary surgeon” means a person registered as such under the Veterinary Surgeons Act 1966(4).

(3) Any reference in these Regulations to a numbered Article is a reference to the Article so numbered in the Commission Implementing Regulation.

(1) OJNo. L59, 3.3.2015, p.1

(2) OJ No. L224 18.8.1990, p.55. The directive was amended by Council [Directive 2008/73/EC](#) of 15 July 2008 (OJ No. L219, 14.8.2008, p.40)

(3) OJ No. L192, 23.7.2010, p.1. The directive was amended by Council [Directive 2013/20/EU](#) of 13 May 2013 (OJ No. L158, 10.6.2013, p234 and by [Commission Implementing Decision \(EU\) 2016/1840](#) of 14 October 2016 (OJ No. L280, 18.10.2016, p.33)

(4) [1966 c.36](#)

(4) Expressions used both in these Regulations and in the Commission Implementing Regulation shall have the same meaning in these Regulations as they have in the Commission Implementing Regulation.