

1970. No. 298

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DISEASES OF ANIMALS**Dogs and Cats**

ORDER, DATED 20TH NOVEMBER 1970, MADE BY THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE UNDER SECTIONS 18, 20, 23 AND 53 OF THE DISEASES OF ANIMALS ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND) 1958.

The Ministry of Agriculture in exercise of the powers conferred on it by Sections 18, 20, 23 and 53 of the Diseases of Animals Act (Northern Ireland) 1958(a) and of every other power enabling it in that behalf hereby makes the following Order:—

Citation and commencement

1. This Order may be cited as the Importation of Dogs and Cats (Amendment and Revocation) Order (Northern Ireland) 1970 and shall come into operation on 20th November 1970 except for Article 3(1) which shall come into operation on 30th November 1970.

Amendment

2. The Importation of Dogs and Cats Order (Northern Ireland) 1961(b) as amended by the Importation of Dogs and Cats (Amendment) Order (Northern Ireland) 1969(c) shall be amended as follows:—

- (1) For the words "a period of not less than 8 calendar months" contained in the interpretation of "quarantine period" in Article 3 there shall be substituted "a period of 6 months or such further period as the Ministry may direct".
- (2) For the words "8 months" contained in Article 4 and the Second Schedule there shall be substituted the words "6 months or such further period as the Ministry may require".
- (3) After the word "licence" in Condition 1(a) in the Second Schedule there shall be added the words "at a port approved by the Ministry for the purpose".
- (4) After Condition 1(c) in the Second Schedule there shall be added the following condition:—

“(d) Vaccinated against Rabies, at the expense of the owner, on such number of occasions and at such intervals as may be required by the Ministry.”
- (5) Condition 2 in the Second Schedule shall be deleted.

Revocation

3.—(1) The Dogs and Cats (Importation from Great Britain, the Channel Islands and the Isle of Man) Order (Northern Ireland) 1969(d) is hereby revoked.

(2) The Importation of Dogs and Cats (Amendment) Order (Northern Ireland) 1969 is hereby revoked.

(a) 1958. c. 13.

(b) S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1961, No. 29.

(c) S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1969, No. 332.

(d) S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1969, No. 289.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Ministry of Agriculture for Northern Ireland this 20th day of November 1970 in the presence of

(L.S.)

J. Parke,
Assistant Secretary.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Order but is intended to indicate its general purport.)

This Order reinstates the quarantine period of 6 months for dogs and cats imported from abroad, adds the further condition that dogs and cats imported from abroad be vaccinated against rabies during the quarantine period and removes the prohibition on the importation except under licence of dogs and cats from Great Britain, the Channel Islands and the Isle of Man as from 1st December 1970.