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ANIMALS

PREVENTION OF CRUELTY

The Welfare of Animals (Slaughter or Killing) Amendment (Scotland) Regulations 2001

Made4th April 2001Laid before the Scottish Parliament6th April 2001Coming into force15th May 2001

The Scottish Ministers, in exercise of the powers conferred by section 2(2) of the European Communities Act 1972(a) and of all other powers enabling them in that behalf, hereby make the following Regulations:

Citation, commencement and extent

- **1.**—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the Welfare of Animals (Slaughter or Killing) Amendment (Scotland) Regulations 2001 and shall come into force on 15th May 2001.
 - (2) These Regulations extend to Scotland only.

Amendment of the Welfare of Animals (Slaughter or Killing) Regulations 1995

- **2.** For paragraph 3(2)(c) of Schedule 11 to the Welfare of Animals (Slaughter or Killing) Regulations 1995(**b**) there shall be substituted the following:–
 - "(c) a maximum of 30% carbon dioxide by volume and a minimum of 60% argon (or other inert gas) by volume in atmospheric air, with no more than 2% residual oxygen.".

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A member of the Scottish Executive

St Andrew's House, Edinburgh 4th April 2001

⁽a) 1972 c.68; section 2(2) was amended by the Scotland Act 1998 (c.46), Schedule 8, paragraph 15(3). The function conferred upon the Minister of the Crown under section 2(2) of the European Communities Act 1972, insofar as within devolved competence, was transferred to the Scotlish Ministers by virtue of section 53 of the Scotland Act 1998.

⁽b) S.I. 1995/731; relevant amending instruments are S.I. 1999/400 and 1820, and S.S.I. 2000/62 and 2001/73.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations amend the Welfare of Animals (Slaughter or Killing) Regulations 1995 ("the principal Regulations") which gave effect to Council Directive 93/119/EC on the protection of animals at the time of slaughter or killing (O.J. No. L 340, 31.12.93, p.21). These Regulations substitute a new paragraph 3(2)(c) of Schedule 11 to the principal Regulations so as to permit a new gas mixture for killing surplus chicks.

No Regulatory Impact Assessment has been prepared in relation to these Regulations.

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