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SCOTTISH STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**2007 No. 506**

**The Bee Diseases and Pests Control (Scotland) Order 2007**

**Interpretation**

2.—(1) In this Order—

“the Act” means the Bees Act 1980;

“appliances” means containers or any other equipment used in connection with keeping or transporting bees;

“bee pest” means any beetle, mite or similar organism in any stage of its life cycle that may be injurious to bees;

“field test kit” means a portable test kit that can confirm the presence of a disease;

“hive” means any receptacle that contains or has at any time contained a colony of bees;

“notifiable disease” means American foul brood or European foul brood;

“notifiable pest” means the small hive beetle (*Aethina tumida*) or any species of the *Tropilaelaps* mite;

“premises” includes any land or building; and

“vehicle” includes any vessel, boat, hovercraft or aircraft.

(2) Any notice or licence issued under this Order—

(a) must be in writing;

(b) may be subject to conditions; and

(c) may be suspended, amended or revoked by a notice at any time.

(3) Paragraph (2)(b) does not apply to a notice issued under article 10.

(4) A licence issued under this Order may be general or specific.

(5) The Scottish Ministers must bring a general licence issued under this Order to the attention of persons likely to be affected by it by publishing it in such manner as they consider necessary.

(6) Any reference in this Order to anything done in writing or produced in written form includes a reference to an electronic communication, as defined in the Electronic Communications Act 2000(1), which has been recorded and is consequently capable of being reproduced.

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**Commencement Information**

**II** Art. 2 in force at 1.12.2007, see [art. 1\(1\)](#)

**Changes to legislation:**

There are outstanding changes not yet made by the legislation.gov.uk editorial team to The Bee Diseases and Pests Control (Scotland) Order 2007. Any changes that have already been made by the team appear in the content and are referenced with annotations.

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- art. 2 words inserted by [S.S.I. 2011/326 art. 2\(2\)](#)
- art. 2(3) words inserted by [S.S.I. 2023/114 art. 2\(2\)](#)

**Changes and effects yet to be applied to the whole Instrument associated Parts and Chapters:**

Whole provisions yet to be inserted into this Instrument (including any effects on those provisions):

- art. 2A inserted by [S.S.I. 2021/91 art. 2](#)
- art. 11A inserted by [S.S.I. 2023/114 art. 2\(3\)](#)