

EXECUTIVE NOTE TO

**THE FOOT-AND-MOUTH DISEASE (EXPORT AND MOVEMENT
RESTRICTIONS) (SCOTLAND) (No. 2) REGULATIONS 2007 SSI 2007/552**

The above instrument was made under section 2(2) of the European Communities Act 1972 on 5 December 2007 and is subject to negative resolution procedure.

Policy Objective

The policy objective in introducing this legislation is to implement Commission Decision 2007/796/EC of 5 December 2007, which further amends Commission Decision 2007/554/EC of 9 August 2007 (“the FMD Decision”).

The FMD Decision applied import and export restrictions to live animals and animal products of susceptible species, as a consequence of the outbreak of foot-and-mouth disease in Surrey on 3 August 2007.

The principal amendment to the FMD Decision introduced by the new Commission Decision affecting Scotland allows animals whose meat is to be exported to move to slaughterhouses without additional conditions, and further reduces the size of the restricted area.

Consultation

The Decision was adopted on 5 December and came into effect immediately. Stakeholders affected by these Regulations have not been consulted as they implement EU obligations.

Rural Directorate