
SCOTTISH STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**The Sheep and Goats (Identification and Traceability)
(Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2007**

**Amendment of the Sheep and Goats (Identification and Traceability) (Scotland) Regulations
2006**

5. Delete regulations 14 to 16 and for regulations 12 and 13 substitute—

“Removal and replacement of means of identification

12.—(1) A person must not remove, unless for the purpose of preventing unnecessary pain or suffering to an animal, or replace, any means of identification attached to an animal otherwise than in accordance with the first paragraph of Article 4(6) of the Council Regulation and regulations 13 to 15.

(2) Subject to regulation 22(1), where the means of identification of an animal has been removed or lost or become illegible, the keeper, other than a slaughterhouse operator, must apply replacement identification to the animal in accordance with these Regulations as soon as possible but, in any event—

- (a) before the animal is moved from the holding; and
- (b) no later than 28 days after the identification is ascertained to have been removed or lost or to have become illegible.

Identical individual identification code for replacement identification

13.—(1) Subject to regulations 14 and 22(1) where an animal’s means of identification has been removed or lost or become illegible the keeper, other than a slaughterhouse operator, must replace that means of identification with one bearing the same individual identification code in accordance with the first paragraph of Article 4(6) of the Council Regulation.

(2) In accordance with the second paragraph of Article 4(6) of the Council Regulation, paragraph (1) does not apply if the means of identification is replaced in conformity with the provisions of regulations 14 or 15.

Alternative replacement where individual identification code is known

14. Where a first or second means of identification on an animal identified in accordance with Article 4(2)(a) and (b) of the Council Regulation has been removed or lost or become illegible and a legible means of identification remains the keeper may—

- (a) if the animal is still on its holding of birth—
 - (i) replace a first means of identification with a baseline eartag; or
 - (ii) replace any other means of identification with a baseline eartag, or replace any other means of identification with a means of identification in accordance with Article 4(2)(b) of the Council Regulation bearing

an individual identification code with the following information in the following order–

- (aa) the letters “UK”;
 - (bb) the flockmark or herdmark of the holding of birth; and
 - (cc) a unique number; or
- (b) if the animal is no longer on its holding of birth–
- (i) replace a first means of identification with a replacement eartag; and
 - (ii) replace any other means of identification with a replacement means of identification.

Alternative replacement where original individual identification code is not known

15.—(1) Subject to regulation 22(1), where the first and second means of identification on an animal identified in accordance with Article 4(2)(a) and (b) of the Council Regulation has been removed or lost or become illegible the keeper, other than a slaughterhouse operator, must–

- (a) if the animal is still on its holding of birth, replace the means of identification with two identical baseline eartags or with one baseline eartag and one other means of identification in accordance with Article 4(2)(b) of the Council Regulation bearing the same individual identification code as that eartag; and
- (b) if the animal is no longer on its holding of birth, replace the means of identification with two replacement eartags or with one replacement eartag and another replacement means of identification.

(2) Subject to regulation 22(1), where an animal was correctly identified with one eartag in accordance with these Regulations or previous United Kingdom Orders or Regulations and that eartag is removed or lost or becomes illegible the keeper, other than a slaughterhouse operator, must–

- (a) if the animal is still on its holding of birth replace the eartag with a baseline eartag; and
- (b) if the animal is no longer on its holding of birth replace the eartag with a replacement eartag.”.