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ANIMALS

**The Specified Diseases (Notification and Slaughter)
Amendment (Scotland) Order 2021**

Made - - - - - *22nd March 2021*

Laid before the Scottish Parliament *23rd March 2021*

Coming into force - - - *21st April 2021*

The Scottish Ministers make the following Order in exercise of the powers conferred on them by sections 32(2) and 87(2)(a) of the Animal Health Act 1981(a) and all other powers enabling them to do so.

Citation and commencement

1. This Order may be cited as the Specified Diseases (Notification and Slaughter) Amendment (Scotland) Order 2021 and comes into force on 21 April 2021.

Amendment of the Specified Diseases (Notification and Slaughter) Order 1992

2. In the list of diseases in article 2(1) (application of section 32 of the Animal Health Act 1981) of the Specified Diseases (Notification and Slaughter) Order 1992(b)—

- (a) after “Contagious agalactia”, insert “Contagious caprine pleuropneumonia”,
- (b) after “Goat pox”, insert “Infection with Ebola virus”,
- (c) after “Sheep pox”, insert “Surra (*Trypanosoma evansi*)”.

BEN MACPHERSON

Authorised to sign by the Scottish Ministers

St Andrew’s House,
Edinburgh
22nd March 2021

(a) 1981 c.22. Powers to make orders under these sections were originally conferred on “the Minister” and “the Ministers”, as defined in section 86(1) of the Animal Health Act 1981. The functions of the Minister and the Ministers, insofar as within devolved competence, were transferred to the Scottish Ministers by virtue of section 53 of the Scotland Act 1998 (c.46).
(b) S.I. 1992/3159. Article 2 was amended by S.S.I. 2003/91, S.S.I. 2012/178 and S.S.I. 2014/151.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order amends article 2(1) of the Specified Diseases (Notification and Slaughter) Order 1992 (“the 1992 Order”). The amendments add to the list of diseases in the 1992 Order to which section 32 of the Animal Health Act 1981 applies. This has the effect of giving the Scottish Ministers a power to slaughter animals affected with, suspected of being affected with, or exposed to, contagious caprine pleuropneumonia, Ebola virus or surra (*Trypanosoma evansi*).

A Business and Regulatory Impact Assessment has not been prepared for this instrument as animal disease outbreak is unpredictable and its impact would vary depending on the location and nature of an outbreak.

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