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The Bee Diseases and Pests Control (Scotland) Amendment Order 2021

Amendment of the Bee Diseases and Pests Control (Scotland) Order 2007

2. After article 2 of the Bee Diseases and Pests Control (Scotland) Order 2007(1) insert—

"Reporting of Varroa mite (Varroosis)

2A.—(1) Any owner or person in charge of a hive who knows or suspects that any species of the Varroa mite is present in the hive must report, as soon as practicable, that fact to the Scottish Ministers.

(2) A person reporting under paragraph (1) may submit to the Scottish Ministers samples of—

- (a) any bee pest to establish if it is any species of the Varroa mite; or
- (b) any other thing, including soil, to establish if it is infected with any species of the Varroa mite.

(3) Any sample submitted under paragraph (2) must be packed in a way which prevents, as far as possible, the risk of the spread of infection during transit.".