
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1983 No. 344

The Aujeszky's Disease Order 1983

Interpretation

2.—(1) In this order, unless the context otherwise requires—

“the Act” means the Animal Health Act 1981;

“affected” means affected with the disease;

“animals” means cattle, sheep, goats, swine, deer, horses, dogs and cats;

“Chief Veterinary Officer” means the Chief Veterinary Officer of the Ministry;

“the disease” means Aujeszky's disease;

“infected area” means an area declared to be an infected area under article 15(1);

“infected place” means premises declared to be an infected place under article 7(1);

“inspector” means a person appointed to be an inspector for the purposes of the Act by the Minister or by a local authority and, when used in relation to an officer of the Ministry, includes a veterinary inspector;

“the Minister” means, in relation to the whole of Great Britain, the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food, and “Ministry” shall be construed accordingly;

“occupier” means, in relation to any premises, the owner, occupier or person in charge of the premises;

“owner” includes, in relation to any animal or thing, a person having possession, charge or control of that animal or thing;

“premises” includes land, with or without buildings;

“poultry” means domestic fowls, turkeys, geese, ducks, guinea-fowls, pigeons, pheasants and partridges;

“semen” means the semen of an animal;

“slaughterhouse” means—

(a) in relation to England and Wales, a slaughterhouse or knacker's yard as defined in section 34 of the Slaughterhouses Act 1974 and

(b) in relation to Scotland, a slaughterhouse as defined in section 22 of the Slaughter of Animals (Scotland) Act 1980;

“suspected” means suspected of being affected;

“veterinary inspector” means a veterinary inspector appointed by the Minister;

“veterinary surgeon” means a person registered in the register of veterinary surgeons kept under section 2 of the Veterinary Surgeons Act 1966 or the supplementary veterinary register kept under section 8 of that Act.

(2) Any reference in this order—

(a) to a numbered article, is a reference to the article bearing that number in this order, and

(b) to a lettered form, is a reference to the form bearing that letter in the schedule to this order.