
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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The Tuberculosis (Deer) Order 1989

Veterinary enquiry as to the existence of disease

6.—(1) Where by reason of information received, whether under article 4 or article 5 above or otherwise, a veterinary inspector has reasonable grounds for supposing that there is on any premises an affected or a suspected animal or a carcass which is affected with or suspected of being affected with tuberculosis he shall, with all practicable speed, take such steps as may be necessary to establish the correctness of that information.

(2) For the purposes of such an enquiry a veterinary inspector may—

- (a) examine any deer or carcass on the premises;
- (b) make such tests and take such samples from any deer or carcass on the premises as he may consider necessary for the purpose of diagnosis;
- (c) paint, stamp, clip, tag or otherwise mark any deer or carcass on the premises.

(3) If so required by a veterinary inspector the owner or person in charge of any deer or carcass on the premises shall mark the deer or carcass in the manner required by the veterinary inspector.

(4) The occupier of the premises and his employees, and any person who is or has been in possession or charge of any deer or carcass which is or has been on the premises, shall—

- (a) provide such reasonable facilities and comply with such reasonable requirements as are necessary for the purposes of the enquiry; and
- (b) if so required by an appropriate officer give such information as he possesses as to—
 - (i) any deer or carcass which is or has been on the premises,
 - (ii) any other deer or carcass with which any deer or carcass which is or has been on the premises may have come into contact, and
 - (iii) the location and movement of any deer or carcass which is or has been in his possession or charge.

(5) A veterinary inspector shall serve a notice in Form A on the owner or person in charge of any deer examined by him which in his opinion is an affected or suspected animal.

(6) On the service of a notice in Form A the requirements contained in that notice shall have effect.

(7) A notice in Form A shall remain in force until it is withdrawn by a notice in Form B served by a veterinary inspector on the owner or person in charge of the deer to which the notice in Form A relates.