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## EXPLANATORY NOTE

*(This note is not part of the Order)*

This Order revokes and replaces the Anthrax Order of 1938. It provides for the extension of the definition of disease in the Animal Health Act 1981 to include anthrax and the definitions of animal and poultry to include any kind of mammal except man, and quail respectively (article 3).

The Order requires notification of suspected disease (article 4) and provides for precautions to be taken pending the completion of a veterinary inquiry (article 5). It also provides for

- (1) veterinary inquiry as to the existence of the disease and the action to be taken (article 6),
- (2) declaration of an infected place and the requirements to which such a place is subject (article 7),
- (3) power to prohibit or control movement of animals (article 8),
- (4) disposal of carcasses (article 9),
- (5) cleansing and disinfection of premises and vaccination and/or treatment of animals (article 10),
- (6) general provisions as to licences (article 11),
- (7) enforcement and offences (articles 12 and 13), and
- (8) revocation (article 14).

Contravention of the Order is an offence under the Animal Health Act 1981.