
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1992 No. 45

The Sheep Scab Order 1992

PART I

TITLE, COMMENCEMENT AND INTERPRETATION

Title and commencement

1. This Order may be cited as the Sheep Scab Order 1992 and shall come into force on 18th January 1992.

Interpretation

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

“the Act” means the Animal Health Act 1981;

“affected” means affected or suspected of being affected with sheep scab;

“approved sheep dip” means a sheep dip for which there is a current product licence permitting its sale or supply for use against sheep scab;

“approved substances” means those substances (other than water) specified for mixing with an approved sheep dip in the product licence relating to that dip;

“carcase” means the carcase of a sheep, and includes part of a carcase and the meat, bones, hide, skin, fleece, wool, hoofs, horns, of fal or other part of a sheep, separately or otherwise, or any portion thereof;

“dipped sheep” means sheep which have been dipped in accordance with the provisions of this Order, and “undipped sheep” shall be construed accordingly;

“dipping” means thoroughly immersing the whole sheep (including the head and ears) in a dipping bath, and keeping the sheep (excluding the head and ears) in the dipping bath for not less than one minute, and “dipped” shall be construed accordingly;

“dipping bath” means a bath prepared by diluting an approved sheep dip with clean water and any other approved substances in the proportions specified for that dip in the product licence relating to it (without the addition of any other sheep dip or substance except in accordance with the written directions of the Divisional Veterinary Officer) and thereafter maintained in the manner specified in the licence;

“Divisional Veterinary Officer” means the veterinary inspector appointed for the time being by the Minister to receive information about affected sheep and affected carcasses for the area in which such animals or carcasses are;

“infected area” means an area declared to be an infected area under article 12;

“infected place” means a place declared to be an infected place by a notice in Form A served under article 5;

“market” means a market, fairground, sale-yard or other place where sheep are commonly exposed for sale, or any place where sheep are gathered together with the purpose of selection or grading for sale;

“litter” means any substance used for bedding sheep;

“place of exhibition” means a place at which exhibitions or shows of sheep are held;

“product licence” means a product licence granted under the Medicines Act 1968(1);

“sheep” includes lambs;

“sheep dealer” means a person who, in the course of a trade or business carried on by him, purchases sheep for resale within 21 days, and includes a person (other than an auctioneer) who, in the course of a trade or business carried on by him, acts as an agent for any other person in connection with the purchase of sheep for resale within 21 days;

“sheep scab” means an infestation of sheep with psoroptic or sarcoptic mites;

“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(2), and
- (b) in relation to Scotland, a slaughterhouse as defined in section 22 of the Slaughter of Animals (Scotland) Act 1980(3);

“veterinary surgeon” means a person registered in the register of veterinary surgeons or in the supplementary veterinary register.

(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.

(1) 1968 c. 67.
(2) 1974 c. 3.
(3) 1980 c. 13.