
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1995 No. 1755

The Equine Viral Arteritis Order 1995

Restrictions and requirements on stallions and semen

5.—(1) Upon the notification under article 4 above, or if a veterinary inspector has other reasonable grounds for supposing that the disease or the virus exists or has within 56 days existed in a stallion, a veterinary inspector shall—

- (a) by notice served on the owner or person in charge of the stallion, impose the restrictions and requirements contained in Part I of the Schedule to this Order; and, where appropriate,
- (b) by notice served on any person who is identified as having obtained semen collected from a stallion in relation to which a notice under sub-paragraph (a) above has been served, impose the restriction contained in Part II of the Schedule to this Order.

(2) The person upon whom a notice under this article has been served shall take all reasonable steps to ensure that the notice is complied with, unless he is authorised by a licence issued by a veterinary inspector to do anything which would otherwise be a breach of this Order.

(3) A notice served under paragraph (1) above—

- (a) shall remain in force until withdrawn by a veterinary inspector by a further notice in writing served on the owner or person in charge of the stallion or its semen to which the notice served under paragraph (1) relates; and
- (b) shall not be withdrawn until the Chief Veterinary Officer or the person authorised by him is satisfied that the disease or the virus does not exist or no longer exists in the stallion or its semen.

(4) Until such time as a notice under this article is served, a person who has in his possession or under his charge—

- (a) a stallion suspected of being diseased or of being a carrier of the virus, or
- (b) semen collected from such a stallion,

shall take all reasonable steps to ensure that the relevant restrictions and requirements contained in the Schedule to this Order are complied with.