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The Sheep Scab Order 1997

Treatment of sheep with sheep scab

7.—(1) Any person who is the keeper of sheep visibly affected with sheep scab shall, as soon as is reasonably practicable, treat those sheep and all other sheep in the flock with a product authorised in accordance with article 4(2)(a) above.

(2) An inspector may serve a notice under this article on any person in charge of sheep visibly affected with sheep scab, requiring the isolation of the animals (or, if they are not on a holding occupied by the keeper, removal to that holding and isolation on that holding) pending the results of testing for sheep scab; and, if sheep scab is confirmed, a further notice may be served requiring the keeper to treat them within a specified period.

(3) The notice may include other sheep kept by the person on whom the notice has been served, if those sheep have been in contact with the affected sheep.

(4) A person on whom a notice to treat sheep scab is served under this article shall within the period specified in the notice, either

- (a) treat or cause the sheep to be treated in accordance with paragraph (1) above, or
- (b) ensure that the sheep are slaughtered.

(5) A person on whom a notice to treat sheep scab has been served under this article shall, within two weeks of the date on which he complied with the notice, send to the inspector who served the notice—

- (a) in the case of sheep treated for sheep scab, a document signed by a veterinary surgeon stating the date on which the treatment took place and the treatment used; or
- (b) in the case of sheep which were slaughtered, evidence of such slaughter.