
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2002 No. 882

The Rabies (Importation of Dogs, Cats and Other Mammals) (Amendment) (Wales) Order 2002

Amendment of the Rabies (Importation of Dogs, Cats and Other Mammals) Order 1974

2.—(1) The Rabies (Importation of Dogs, Cats and Other Mammals) Order 1974⁽¹⁾ shall be amended in accordance with this article.

(2) After article 5A there shall be inserted the following article—

“Release from quarantine in Wales

5B. —If a cat or dog is in quarantine in Wales, the National Assembly for Wales may grant a licence releasing the animal if it is satisfied that—

- (a) the animal has been microchipped, vaccinated and blood tested in accordance with the Pet Travel Scheme (Pilot Arrangements) (England) Order 1999;
- (b) a sample of blood was taken from the animal at least six months before the release date and tested in accordance with the 1999 Order;
- (c) at least twenty four hours before release the animal has been treated by a veterinary surgeon against *Echinococcus multilocularis* and ticks, using a veterinary medicine with a marketing authorisation in the UK at an appropriate dosage (in the case of treatment against *Echinococcus multilocularis* the medicine must contain praziquantel as the active ingredient), and in the case of an animal which has been in Cyprus, Malta or one of the countries or territories in Schedule 6 to the 1999 Order the treatment against ticks must contain fipronil as the active ingredient;
- (d) the animal has not been outside the countries or territories in Schedules 2 or 6 to the 1999 Order in the six months prior to the release date; and
- (e) in the case of an animal from a country or territory in Schedule 6 to the 1999 Order, it arrived in Great Britain in a sealed container with the seal intact. The container must have been sealed by an official authorised by the competent authority of the exporting country, who must have written the number on the seal on the import licence granted by the Minister under article 4(3) and stamped the licence with his official stamp. The number on the seal must be the same as the number on the licence, but if the National Assembly for Wales is satisfied that the animal was not exposed to risk of infection with rabies during its journey, it may release the animal from quarantine if the provisions relating to sealing are not complied with.”

(1) S.I.No.1974/2211, as amended by S.I. No. 1977/361, 1984/1182, 1986/2062, 1990/2371, 1993/1813, 1994/1405, 1994/1716, 1995/2922, 1999/3443, 2000/1298, and 2001/6.