

**2003 No. 30**

**ANIMALS, ENGLAND**  
**ANIMAL HEALTH**

**The Disease Control (Interim Measures) (England) (No.2)**  
**(Amendment) Order 2003**

*Made* - - - - - *9th January 2003*

*Coming into force* - - *31st January 2003*

The Secretary of State, in exercise of the powers conferred on her by sections 1, 8 and 83(2) of the Animal Health Act 1981(a), makes the following Order:

**Title, extent and commencement**

1. This Order may be cited as the Disease Control (Interim Measures) (England) (No.2) (Amendment) Order 2003; it extends to England only and comes into force on 31st January 2003.

**Amendment of the Disease Control (Interim Measures) (England) (No.2) Order 2002**

2.—(1) The Disease Control (Interim Measures) (England) (No.2) Order 2002(b) shall be amended in accordance with this article.

(2) In article 1 for “1st February 2003” there shall be substituted “1st April 2003”.

(3) In article 3—

(a) after paragraph (2)(b)(xxi) there shall be added—

“(xxii) of an animal which is on a means of transport which enters premises to drop off other animals, provided that it has not left the means of transport while on the premises.”;

(b) in paragraph (3)(g)(iv) for the word “sooner” there shall be substituted the word “later”;

(c) for paragraph (3)(k) there shall be substituted—

“(k) an animal from its point of entry into the United Kingdom following its import from another Member State;”.

(4) For article 8 there shall be substituted—

**“Cleansing and disinfection facilities**

8. Where animals are moved under a licence, the occupier of the premises which they are moved on to shall provide adequate facilities, equipment and materials for any cleansing and disinfection required by the licence.

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(a) 1981 c. 22. Functions conferred under the 1981 Act on “the Ministers” (as defined in section 86 of that Act) were transferred, so far as exercisable by the Secretaries of State for Scotland and Wales, to the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food by the Transfer of Functions (Agriculture and Food) Order 1999 (S.I. 1999/3141) and were then further transferred to the Secretary of State by the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food (Dissolution) Order 2002 (S.I. 2002/794).

(b) S.I. 2002/2152, as amended by S.I. 2002/2300.

### **Specific licences**

**8A.**—(1) An animal moved under a specific licence shall—

- (a) be moved by the most direct route available to the place of destination specified in the licence, and
- (b) be accompanied throughout the movement by the licence.

(2) Every animal which is moved under the authority of a specific licence shall be kept separate throughout the movement from any animal which is not being moved under the authority of that licence.

(3) The person in charge of any animal moved under a specific licence shall, on demand made by a constable or by an inspector or other officer of the Secretary of State or of a local authority, produce the licence, and allow a copy thereof or an extract therefrom to be taken, and shall also, if so required, furnish his name and address.

(4) Where animals are moved under a specific licence, then, unless the licence provides otherwise, the occupier of premises which they are moved on to shall—

- (a) ensure that he or his representative is given the licence before allowing the animals to be unloaded;
- (b) in the case of a slaughterhouse, give a copy to the official veterinary surgeon; and
- (c) keep the licence for six months and produce it to an inspector on request.

### **General licences**

**8B.** Where animals are moved under a general licence, and that licence requires the person moving the animals to have a movement document, the occupier of premises which they are moved on to shall—

- (a) ensure that he or his representative is given the top copy of the movement document before allowing the animals to be unloaded;
- (b) complete the top copy to indicate that he has received the animals, sign it, and send it to the local authority without delay; and
- (c) keep a copy of the completed document for six months.

### **Copies of licences**

**8C.** Where an inspector of a local authority issues a licence under article 3(1)(a), he shall retain a copy of the licence for six months.”.

Dated 9th January 2003

*Whitty*  
Parliamentary Under Secretary of State  
Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs

## **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

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

This Order amends the Disease Control (Interim Measures) (England) (No.2) Order 2002 (S.I. 2002/2152, as amended by S.I. 2002/2300).

It changes the date on which the Order ceases to have effect to 1st April 2003 (article 2(2)).

The Order changes the conditions relating to animals taken from premises in a means of transport which has dropped off other animals in those premises (article 2(3)(a)).

It corrects an error relating to the time within which a declaration has to be signed (article 2(3)(b)).

In the case of imported animals, it restricts the movements which do not trigger the standstill period to the movement to the first premises following importation (article 2(3)(c)).

It changes the provisions on specific licences, and makes new provision for movement documents where animals are moved under a general licence which requires a movement document (article 2(4)).

A regulatory impact assessment has not been prepared for this Order.

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