

SCHEDULE 4

Restocking of premises

PART 1

General principles

1.—(1) In this Schedule, “vaccinated” means treated with hyperimmune serum or vaccine against disease and “unvaccinated” shall be construed accordingly.

(2) Paragraphs 2 to 5 apply subject to paragraphs 6 and 7.

2. Animals for restocking may only be introduced under the following conditions—

(a) the animals shall not come from a temporary control zone, protection zone, surveillance zone or vaccination zone;

(b) the Secretary of State must have confirmed by notice served on the occupier that she is satisfied that no residual disease virus can be detected in the animals on the basis of clinical signs (for bovine animals or swine) or laboratory investigations (for other species);

(c) the animals shall either—

(i) originate on and come from premises where there has been no confirmed case of disease within 10 kilometres for at least 30 days, or

(ii) have been tested with negative results in an assay for the detection of antibodies against the disease virus carried out on samples taken prior to restocking.

3. During restocking, animals shall be introduced into all units and buildings of the premises.

4.—(1) Subject to sub-paragraph (2), during restocking each animal shall—

(a) be subject to clinical inspection every three days for the first 14 days following its introduction; and

(b) during the period from 15 to 28 days after its introduction, be subject to clinical inspection once per week.

(2) If no infected premises have been declared within 10 kilometres of any premises for at least 3 months before the commencement of restocking, the Secretary of State may, by notice served on the occupier of those premises, except those premises from the requirements of sub-paragraph (1).

5. Not earlier than 28 days after the last introduction, each animal shall be clinically examined by a veterinary inspector and samples tested for the presence of antibodies against the disease virus.