

SCHEDULE 1

Regulation 3

PERMITTED PROCEDURES

Cattle

Identification Procedures:

Ear clipping.

Ear notching.

Ear tagging.

Freeze branding.

Micro-chipping.

Tattooing.

Other methods of identification involving a mutilation required by law.

Procedures for the Control of Reproduction:

Castration.

Embryo collection or transfer by a surgical method.

Implantation of a subcutaneous contraceptive.

Ovum transplantation, including ovum collection, by a surgical method.

Vasectomy.

Other Management Procedures:

Dehorning.

Disbudding.

Nose ringing.

Removal of supernumerary teats.

Pigs

Identification Procedures:

Ear clipping.

Ear notching.

Ear tagging.

Micro-chipping.

Tattooing.

Other methods of identification involving a mutilation required by law.

Procedures for the Control of Reproduction:

Castration.

Implantation of a subcutaneous contraceptive.

Vasectomy.

Other Management Procedures:

Nose ringing.

Tail docking.

Tooth reduction.

Tusk trimming.

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Birds

Identification Procedures:

Micro-chipping.

Other methods of identification involving a mutilation required by law.

Procedures for the Control of Reproduction:

Castration.

Implantation of a subcutaneous contraceptive.

Ovidectomy.

Vasectomy.

Other Management Procedures:

Beak trimming of poultry.

Desnooding.

De-toeing of domestic fowl and turkeys.

Dubbing.

Laparoscopy.

Wing pinioning.

Sheep

Identification Procedures:

Ear clipping.

Ear notching.

Ear tagging.

Micro-chipping.

Tattooing.

Other methods of identification involving a mutilation required by law.

Procedures for the Control of Reproduction:

Castration.

Implantation of a subcutaneous contraceptive.

Vasectomy.

Other Management Procedures:

Dehorning.

Disbudding.

Removal of the insensitive tip of the horn.

Tail docking.

Goats

Identification Procedures:

Ear clipping.

Ear notching.

Ear tagging.

Micro-chipping.

Tattooing.

Other methods of identification involving a mutilation required by law.

Procedures for the Control of Reproduction:

Castration.

Implantation of a subcutaneous contraceptive.

Vasectomy.

Other Management Procedures:

Dehorning.

Disbudding.

Removal of the insensitive tip of the horn.

Horses

Identification Procedures:

Freeze branding.

Hot branding.

Micro-chipping.

Tattooing.

Other methods of identification involving a mutilation required by law.

Procedures for the Control of Reproduction:

Castration.

Vasectomy.

Deer

Identification Procedures:

Ear clipping.

Ear notching.

Ear tagging.

Micro-chipping.

Tattooing.

Other methods of identification involving a mutilation required by law.

Procedures for the Control of Reproduction:

Castration.

Implantation of a subcutaneous contraceptive.

Vasectomy.

Other Management Procedures:

Removal of antlers that are not in velvet.

Other species

Identification Procedures:

Ear clipping.

Ear notching.

Ear tipping of feral cats.

Insertion of subcutaneous tracking devices.

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Tagging.

Chemical branding of fish.

Freeze branding of fish.

Micro-chipping.

Removal or perforation of parts of fishes' fins, adipose fins or fin rays.

Tattooing.

Other methods of identification involving a mutilation required by law.

Procedures for the Control of Reproduction:

Castration.

Embryo collection or transfer by a surgical method.

Implantation of a subcutaneous contraceptive.

Ovum transplantation, including ovum collection, by a surgical method.

Spaying.

Vasectomy.

Other Management Procedures:

Laparoscopy.

Removal of the dew claws of dogs.

Removal of fish scales.

SCHEDULE 2

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CATTLE: REQUIREMENTS WHEN CARRYING OUT CERTAIN PERMITTED PROCEDURES

When carried out on cattle, a procedure listed below must be carried out in accordance with the condition or conditions specified for that procedure.

1. **Castration**

When the method used is the application of a rubber ring or other device to constrict the flow of blood to the scrotum, the procedure may only be carried out on an animal aged not more than 7 days.

When any other method is used, an anaesthetic must be administered where the animal is aged 2 months or over.

2. **Embryo collection or transfer by a surgical method**

An anaesthetic must be administered.

3. **Implantation of a subcutaneous contraceptive**

The procedure may not be carried out on a farmed animal.

The procedure may only be carried out as part of a conservation breeding programme.

4. **Ovum transplantation, including ovum collection, by a surgical method**

An anaesthetic must be administered.

5. **Vasectomy**

An anaesthetic must be administered.

6. **Dehorning**

An anaesthetic must be administered.

7. **Disbudding**

The procedure may only be carried out on an animal aged not more than 6 months.

When the method used is chemical cauterisation, the procedure may only be carried out on an animal aged not more than 7 days.

When any other method is used an anaesthetic must be administered.

8. **Removal of supernumerary teats**

An anaesthetic must be administered where the animal is aged 3 months or over.

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PIGS: REQUIREMENTS WHEN CARRYING OUT CERTAIN PERMITTED PROCEDURES

When carried out on a pig, a procedure listed below must be carried out in accordance with the condition or conditions specified for that procedure.

1. **Castration**

The method used must not involve the tearing of tissues.

An anaesthetic and additional prolonged analgesia must be administered where the animal is aged 7 days or over.

2. **Implantation of a subcutaneous contraceptive**

The procedure may not be carried out on a farmed animal.

The procedure may only be carried out as part of a conservation breeding programme.

3. **Vasectomy**

An anaesthetic must be administered.

4. **Nose ringing**

The procedure may only be carried out on an animal that is not kept continuously in an indoor husbandry system.

5. **Tail docking**

The procedure may only be carried out where measures to improve environmental conditions or management systems have first been taken to prevent tail-biting, but there is still evidence to show that injury to pigs' tails by biting has occurred.

The method used must involve quick and complete severance of the tail.

An anaesthetic and additional prolonged analgesia must be administered where the animal is aged 7 days or over.

6. **Tooth reduction**

The procedure may only be carried out on an animal that is aged not more than 7 days.

The procedure must consist only of the uniform reduction of the corner teeth by either grinding or clipping so as to leave an intact smooth surface.

The procedure may only be carried out where measures to improve environmental conditions or management systems have first been taken to prevent tail-biting and other vices, but there is still evidence to show that injury to sows' teats or to other pigs' ears or tails by biting has occurred.

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7. **Tusk trimming**

The procedure may only be carried out where there is evidence to show that it is necessary to prevent injury to other animals or for safety reasons.

SCHEDULE 4

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BIRDS: REQUIREMENTS WHEN CARRYING OUT CERTAIN PERMITTED PROCEDURES

When carried out on a bird, a procedure listed below must be carried out in accordance with the condition or conditions specified for that procedure.

1. **Castration**

The procedure may not be carried out on farmed birds.

The procedure may only be carried out as part of a conservation breeding programme.

An anaesthetic must be administered.

2. **Implantation of a subcutaneous contraceptive**

The procedure may not be carried out on farmed birds.

The procedure may only be carried out as part of a conservation breeding programme.

3. **Ovidectomy**

The procedure may not be carried out on farmed birds.

The procedure may only be carried out as part of a conservation breeding programme.

An anaesthetic must be administered.

4. **Vasectomy**

The procedure may not be carried out on farmed birds.

The procedure may only be carried out as part of a conservation breeding programme.

An anaesthetic must be administered.

5. **Beak trimming of poultry**

The procedure must be performed using a suitable instrument, and on—

(a) both the lower and upper beaks, with not more than one third of each removed, or

(b) the upper beak only, with not more than one third removed.

Any subsequent haemorrhage from the beak must be arrested by cauterisation.

On poultry that are intended to become laying hens and which are kept on establishments with 350 or more laying hens, the procedure—

(i) may only be carried out in order to prevent feather pecking or cannibalism;

(ii) may only be carried out before 1st January 2011;

(iii) may not be performed on poultry that are intended to become laying hens (or which are laying hens) and which are aged 10 days or over.

6. **Desnooding**

Where the turkey is aged not more than 21 days, the procedure may be carried out either by manual pinching-out or with a suitable instrument.

7. **De-toeing of domestic fowl and turkeys**

The procedure may not be carried out on a bird that is aged 3 days or over unless a veterinary surgeon considers that it is necessary that it be carried out.

An anaesthetic must be administered where the bird is aged 3 days or over.

8. **Dubbing**

The procedure may not be carried out on a bird that is aged 3 days or over unless a veterinary surgeon considers that it is necessary that it be carried out.

An anaesthetic must be administered where the bird is aged 3 days or over.

9. **Laparoscopy**

An anaesthetic must be administered.

10. **Wing pinioning**

The procedure may not be carried out on farmed birds.

An anaesthetic must be administered where the bird is aged 10 days or over.

SCHEDULE 5

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SHEEP: REQUIREMENTS WHEN CARRYING OUT CERTAIN PERMITTED PROCEDURES

When carried out on a sheep, a procedure listed below must be carried out in accordance with the condition or conditions specified for that procedure.

1. **Castration**

When the method used is the application of a rubber ring or other device to constrict the flow of blood to the scrotum, the procedure may only be carried out on an animal aged not more than 7 days.

When any other method is used, an anaesthetic must be administered where the animal is aged 3 months or over.

2. **Implantation of a subcutaneous contraceptive**

The procedure may not be carried out on a farmed animal.

The procedure may only be carried out as part of a conservation breeding programme.

3. **Vasectomy**

An anaesthetic must be administered.

4. **Dehorning**

An anaesthetic must be administered.

5. **Tail docking**

In all cases, enough of the tail must be retained to cover the vulva of a female animal or the anus of a male animal.

When the method used is the application of a rubber ring or other device to constrict the flow of blood to the tail, the procedure may only be carried out on an animal aged not more than 7 days.

When any other method is used an anaesthetic must be administered.

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GOATS: REQUIREMENTS WHEN CARRYING OUT CERTAIN PERMITTED PROCEDURES

When carried out on a goat, a procedure listed below must be carried out in accordance with the condition or conditions specified for that procedure.

1. **Castration**

When the method used is the application of a rubber ring or other device to constrict the flow of blood to the scrotum, the procedure may only be carried out on an animal aged not more than 7 days.

When any other method is used, an anaesthetic must be administered where the animal is aged 2 months or over.

2. **Implantation of a subcutaneous contraceptive**

The procedure may not be carried out on a farmed animal.

The procedure may only be carried out as part of a conservation breeding programme.

3. **Vasectomy**

An anaesthetic must be administered.

4. **Dehorning**

An anaesthetic must be administered.

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HORSES: REQUIREMENTS WHEN CARRYING OUT CERTAIN PERMITTED PROCEDURES

When carried out on a horse, a procedure listed below must be carried out in accordance with the condition or conditions specified for that procedure.

1. **Castration**

An anaesthetic must be administered.

2. **Vasectomy**

An anaesthetic must be administered.

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DEER: REQUIREMENTS WHEN CARRYING OUT CERTAIN PERMITTED PROCEDURES

When carried out on a deer, a procedure listed below must be carried out in accordance with the condition or conditions specified for that procedure.

1. **Castration**

An anaesthetic must be administered.

2. **Implantation of a subcutaneous contraceptive**

The procedure may not be carried out on farmed deer.

The procedure may only be carried out as part of a conservation breeding programme.

3. **Vasectomy**

An anaesthetic must be administered.

4. **Removal of antlers that are not in velvet**

The procedure may only be carried out on farmed deer or deer that are kept on land in the same manner as if they were farmed deer.

Only the non-sensitive part of the antler may be removed.

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OTHER SPECIES: REQUIREMENTS WHEN CARRYING OUT CERTAIN PERMITTED PROCEDURES

When carried out on an animal other than one dealt with in any of Schedules 2 to 8, a procedure listed below must be carried out in accordance with the condition or conditions specified for that procedure.

1. **Ear tipping of feral cats**

An anaesthetic must be administered.

2. **Castration**

An anaesthetic must be administered.

3. **Embryo collection or transfer by a surgical method**

The procedure may only be carried out as part of a conservation breeding programme.

An anaesthetic must be administered.

4. **Implantation of a subcutaneous contraceptive**

The procedure may not be carried out on a farmed animal.

The procedure may only be carried out as part of a conservation breeding programme.

5. **Ovum transplantation, including ovum collection, by a surgical method**

The procedure may only be carried out as part of a conservation breeding programme.

An anaesthetic must be administered.

6. **Spaying**

An anaesthetic must be administered.

7. **Vasectomy**

An anaesthetic must be administered.

8. **Laparoscopy**

Where the animal on which the procedure is to be performed is not a reptile, the procedure may only be carried out as part of a conservation breeding programme.

In either case, an anaesthetic must be administered.

9. **Removal of the dew claws of dogs**

An anaesthetic must be administered except where the dog is a puppy whose eyes have not yet opened.

10. **Removal of fish scales**

The procedure may only be carried out for the purposes of age determination.

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