## **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations revoke the Export and Movement Restrictions (Foot-and-Mouth Disease) (No.2) Regulations 2007. They implement Commission Decision 2007/554/EC as last amended by the Commission Decision of 13th December 2007 amending Decision 2007/554/EC concerning certain protection measures against foot-and-mouth disease in the United Kingdom (not yet published in the Official Journal), which extends the categories of products derived from animals which may be exported, and extends the areas from which such export may take place.

They regulate—

- (a) the export of live animals (regulation 3);
- (b) the export of semen, ova or embryos of animals of the bovine, ovine, caprine or porcine species or other biungulates (regulation 4).

They create an offence of offering to export anything which it is prohibited to export under the Regulations (regulation 5).

They provide powers for enforcement, and powers for officers of Revenue and Customs (regulations 6 to 8) and create an offence of obstruction (regulation 9).

Breach of the Regulations is an offence, punishable with up to two years' imprisonment.

The Regulations are enforced by the Secretary of State or the local authority (regulation 14).

An impact assessment has not been prepared for these Regulations.

**Changes to legislation:**There are currently no known outstanding effects for the The Export Restrictions (Foot-and-Mouth Disease) Regulations 2007.