STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2007 No. 405

The Poultry Breeding Flocks and Hatcheries (England) Order 2007

PART 1

Introduction

Title, commencement and application

- 1. This Order—
 - (a) may be cited as the Poultry Breeding Flocks and Hatcheries (England) Order 2007;
 - (b) comes into force on 7th March 2007; and
 - (c) applies in England.

Interpretation

2. In this Order—

"approved laboratory" means a laboratory approved by the Secretary of State for the purposes of this Order;

"breeding flock" means a flock kept for the production of eggs intended for incubation;

"building" includes a shed and any part of a building that has its own ventilation system and is separated from other parts of the building by a solid partition;

"chick" means a bird less than 72 hours old that has not been fed;

"flock" means poultry of the same health status kept on the same holding or in the same enclosure and constituting a single epidemiological unit and, in the case of housed poultry, includes all birds sharing the same airspace;

"layer breeder" means poultry kept for the production of eggs intended for the incubation and hatching of chicks—

- (a) that will be grown to produce eggs for human consumption, or
- (b) whose progeny will be grown to produce eggs for human consumption;

"meat breeder" means poultry kept for the production of eggs intended for the incubation and hatching of chicks—

- (a) that will be grown to produce meat for human consumption, or
- (b) whose progeny will be grown to produce meat for human consumption;

"occupier" means, in relation to any hatchery or holding, the person in charge of the hatchery or holding;

"poultry" means domestic fowls, turkeys, geese and ducks.

Competent authority

- 3. The Secretary of State is the competent authority for the purposes of—
 - (a) Commission Regulation (EC) No 1003/2005 implementing Regulation (EC) No 2160/2003 as regards a Community target for the reduction of the prevalence of certain salmonella serotypes in breeding flocks of *Gallus gallus* and amending Regulation (EC) No 2160/2003(1) (in this Order, referred to as "the Commission Regulation"); and
 - (b) Commission Regulation (EC) No 1177/2006 implementing Regulation (EC) No 2160/2003 of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards requirements for the use of specific control methods in the framework of the national programmes for the control of salmonella in poultry(2) (in this Order, referred to as "Commission Regulation 1177/2006").

⁽¹⁾ OJ No L 170, 1.7.2005, p.12. This Regulation extends to the EEA through Decision of the EEA Joint Committee No 101/2006 amending Annex I (Veterinary and phytosanitary matters) to the EEA Agreement (OJ No L 333, 30.11.2006, p.6).

⁽²⁾ OJ No L 212, 2.8.2006, p.3.