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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**2009 No. 3219**

**The Sheep and Goats (Records, Identification  
and Movement) (England) Order 2009**

**PART 11**

**Animals brought into England**

**Identification of animals imported from third countries**

**31.**—(1) It is an offence for a keeper to fail to comply with Article 4(4) of the Council Regulation and this article.

(2) For the purposes of Article 4(4) (first paragraph) of the Council Regulation, the period for identifying an animal is 14 days.

(3) The means of identification for animals imported from a third country must be the same as that set out in Article 4(2)(a) and (b) and Article 9(3) of the Council Regulation and the identification code for the purposes of Section A.2 of the Annex is—

- (a) the letters “UK”;
- (b) a 12 digit number in accordance with a numbering scheme prescribed by the Secretary of State.

(4) Where an animal is imported from a third country and re-identified according to this article, the keeper must record information about the addition of the new means of identification in the register together with the full identification code on the new means of identification and the full code on the method of identification applied in the third country.

**Changes to legislation:**

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the The Sheep and Goats (Records, Identification and Movement) (England) Order 2009, Section 31.