STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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The Aquatic Animal Health and Alien Species in Aquaculture, Animals, and Marketing of Seed, Plant and Propagating Material (Legislative Functions and Miscellaneous Provisions) (Amendment) (EU Exit) Regulations 2020

PART 3

Amendments to retained direct EU legislation relating to animal health

Amendment of Commission Implementing Decision (EU) 2019/294

- 10.—(1) Commission Implementing Decision (EU) 2019/294 laying down the list of territories and third countries authorised for imports into the Union of dogs, cats and ferrets and the model animal health certificate for such imports(1) is amended as follows.
 - (2) In Article 1—
 - (a) in the heading—
 - (i) omit "territories or";
 - (ii) omit "in accordance with Directive 92/65/EEC";
 - (b) in paragraph 1, for the words before point (a) substitute—
 - "1. Consignments of dogs, cats or ferrets may only be imported into Great Britain if the third countries they come from and any third country they transit are included in one of the lists set out in:";
 - (c) for paragraph 2 substitute—
 - "2. By way of derogation from paragraph 1, consignments of dogs, cats or ferrets destined for an approved body, institute or centre may only be imported into Great Britain if the third countries they come from, and any third countries they transit, are included in the list referred to in paragraph 1(b).
 - **3.** With respect to dogs, cats and ferrets, import conditions must be at least equivalent to those provided for in points (a) to (d) of Article 10(1), read subject to point (a) of Article 12(1), of Regulation (EU) No 576/2013.
 - **4.** Dogs, cats and ferrets must, during transport to the place of destination, be accompanied by a health certificate completed and signed by an official veterinarian of the third country of dispatch, who has attested that a clinical examination was carried out no more than 48 hours before the dispatch of the animals by a veterinarian authorised by the competent authority who has verified that, at the time of the clinical examination, the animals were fit to be transported for the intended journey.".

(3) After Article 1 insert—

"Article 1a

Definitions

In this Decision:

- (a) "the appropriate authority" means the Secretary of State (in relation to England), the Welsh Ministers (in relation to Wales) and the Scottish Ministers (in relation to Scotland); but the "the appropriate authority" is the Secretary of State if consent is given by:
 - (i) in relation to Wales, the Welsh Ministers;
 - (ii) in relation to Scotland, the Scottish Ministers;
- (b) "approved body, institute or centre" means any permanent, geographically limited establishment, approved by the competent authority, where one or more species of animal are habitually kept or bred (whether or not for commercial ends) exclusively for one or more of the following purposes:
 - (i) display of the animals and education of the public;
 - (ii) conservation of the species;
 - (iii) basic or applied scientific research or breeding of animals for the purposes of such research;
- (c) "the competent authority" means the central authority of a constituent territory or a territory or third country, as the case may be, competent to carry out veterinary checks, or any authority to which it has delegated that competence;
- (d) "constituent territory" means England, Wales or Scotland;
- (e) "official veterinarian" means any veterinarian appointed or approved by the competent authority;
- (f) "territory or third country" means a territory or country outside the British Islands.".
- (4) In Article 2—
 - (a) in the heading, omit "territories or";
 - (b) in the words before (a), for "Member States" substitute "The appropriate authority";
 - (c) in point (a)—
 - (i) for "drawn up in accordance with the model as set out in Part 1 of the Annex" substitute "in the form published by the appropriate authority from time to time,";
 - (ii) for "the explanatory notes set out in Part 2 of the Annex" substitute "any explanatory notes to the certificate";
 - (d) in point (b), in both places where it occurs, omit "territories or".
- (5) Omit Articles 4 and 6, the words following Article 6, and the Annex.