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**The Non-Commercial Movement of Pet Animals (Amendment)
(England) Regulations 2022**

Made - - - - at 9.53 a.m. on 4th April 2022

Laid before Parliament at 12.00 p.m. on 4th April 2022

Coming into force - - on 5th April 2022

The Secretary of State, in exercise of the power conferred by Article 38 of Regulation (EU) 576/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council on the non-commercial movement of pet animals^(a), makes the following Regulations.

In accordance with Article 39(7) of that Regulation^(b), before making these Regulations, the Secretary of State has consulted such bodies and persons as appear to the Secretary of State to be representative of the interests likely to be substantially affected by these Regulations and such other bodies or persons as the Secretary of State considers appropriate.

Citation, commencement, expiry, extent and application

1.—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the Non-Commercial Movement of Pet Animals (Amendment) (England) Regulations 2022.

(2) These Regulations come into force on the day after the day on which they are made and expire on 1st October 2022.

(3) These Regulations apply in relation to England, and extend to England and Wales.

Amendments to Regulation (EU) 576/2013

2.—(1) Regulation (EU) 576/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council on the non-commercial movement of pet animals is amended as follows.

(2) In Annex 4—

(a) in point 2(b), at the end insert “, except where point 2A applies”;

(b) after point 2, insert—

“**2A.** This point applies where, the Secretary of State has administered a test which measures a level of antibody to rabies virus in serum of the animal tested equal to or greater

^(a) EUR 2013/576. Article 38 was amended by S.I. 2020/1463. See the definition of appropriate authority in Article 3a, inserted by S.I. 2020/1388.

^(b) Article 39 was substituted by S.I. 2020/1463.

than 0.3 EU/ml and using an enzyme linked immunosorbent assay method that meets the validation standards set out in Chapter 1.1.6. of the Manual of Diagnostic Tests and Vaccines for Terrestrial Animals 2021 (commonly known as the OIE validation standard”(a)).

Benyon of Englefield

Parliamentary Under Secretary of State

Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs

At 9.53 a.m. on 4th April 2022

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

Regulation 2 amends Regulation (EU) 2013/576 of the European Parliament and of the Council on the non-commercial movement of pet animals (EUR 2013/576), to permit the use of an alternative antibody titre test for pet animals entering England from outside of the UK. These Regulations expire on 1st October 2022.

An impact assessment has not been produced for this instrument as no impact, or no significant impact, on the private, voluntary or public sector is foreseen.

A copy of the OIE validation standard can be inspected at: Animal welfare team, Defra, 2 Marsham St, London SW1P 4DF.

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(a) Chapter 1.1.6, Manual of Diagnostic Tests and Vaccines for Terrestrial Animals, World Organisation for Animal Health, 2021 (updated 24.11.21): https://www.oie.int/fileadmin/Home/eng/Health_standards/tahm/1.01.06_VALIDATION.pdf. Note that the pages at this link make reference to the OIE terrestrial manual 2018.

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