

SCHEDULE 2

TSE monitoring

PART 1

Monitoring for TSE

Slaughter of bovine animals over 30 months of age

5.—(1) It is an offence for the occupier to use a slaughterhouse to slaughter for human consumption a bovine animal aged over 30 months unless the Welsh Ministers have approved the Required Method of Operation (“RMOP”) for that slaughterhouse and that occupier.

(2) The RMOP must, as a minimum—

- (a) describe the procedures that will be followed to comply with Part 1 of this Schedule; and
- (b) describe all the systems and procedures specified in Part 2 of this Schedule.

(3) The Welsh Ministers must approve the RMOP if the Welsh Ministers are satisfied that all the requirements of the Community TSE Regulation and these Regulations will be complied with, and the occupier must demonstrate this by means of an assessment of two days' duration in which animals are slaughtered (using bovine animals under 30 months old unless the slaughterhouse is operating for the purposes of Commission Regulation (EC) No 716/96 adopting exceptional support measures for the beef market in the United Kingdom⁽¹⁾).

(4) If a bovine animal aged over 30 months is slaughtered for human consumption other than in accordance with the RMOP, the occupier of the slaughterhouse is guilty of an offence.

(1) OJ No L 99, 20.4.96, p.14, as last amended by Commission Regulation (EC) No. 2109/2005 (OJ No L 337, 22.12.2005, p.25).