
WELSH STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2013 No. 1662

The African Horse Sickness (Wales) Regulations 2013

PART 3

Suspicion and confirmation of African horse sickness

Measures following suspicion – premises other than contact premises

9.—(1) This regulation applies where premises, other than contact premises, are designated as suspect premises.

(2) A veterinary inspector must take all reasonable steps to establish whether or not African horse sickness virus is present.

(3) For the purposes of paragraph (2), a veterinary inspector may, if the Chief Veterinary Officer considers it necessary, take and have tested—

- (a) samples from any horse or carcase that is, or has previously been, on the premises,
- (b) environmental samples from the premises.

(4) If the Chief Veterinary Officer is satisfied following the steps referred to in paragraph (2) that it is no longer appropriate for the premises to remain designated as suspect premises, a veterinary inspector must revoke the notice served under regulation 8(2).

(5) Where that notice is revoked, the measures in the Schedule cease to have effect, except for the purposes of paragraph 1(4)(a) of that Schedule (duty to keep records for six months following revocation of notice).

(6) If the Chief Veterinary Officer is satisfied following tests under this regulation that there are seropositive horses on the premises a veterinary inspector must continue to monitor as appropriate horses on the premises, and may take further samples and have them tested.

(7) Paragraph (8) applies if the Chief Veterinary Officer is satisfied as a result of any test carried out under this regulation or any clinical signs in any horse on the premises that African horse sickness virus is present in a horse or carcase or on the premises.

(8) Where this paragraph applies, a veterinary inspector must serve a notice on the main occupier declaring the premises to be infected premises⁽¹⁾.

(9) Where a notice has been served under paragraph (8), the measures in the Schedule continue to have effect.

(10) The notice served under paragraph (8) may require the main occupier to erect and maintain such signs on the premises as may be required by a veterinary inspector.

(11) If the Chief Veterinary Officer considers it necessary to reduce the risk of spread of African horse sickness virus, the notice served under paragraph (8) may require measures additional to those in the Schedule and paragraph (10).

(1) See also the power of the Welsh Ministers under regulation 18 to declare a control zone, protection zone and surveillance zone.

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