
WELSH STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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The Bovine Viral Diarrhoea (Wales) Order 2024

PART 6

Movement restrictions and isolation of persistently infected animals

Pre-movement testing

40.—(1) This article applies to every bovine animal in a herd where that herd has a collective BVD status of not negative.

(2) Where the animal is to be moved off the holding, the keeper must, no more than 30 days prior to the movement—

- (a) arrange for an approved veterinary surgeon, or person under the supervision of an approved veterinary surgeon, to take an ear tag sample of tissue in accordance with article 13, or
- (b) arrange for an approved veterinary surgeon, or person under the supervision of an approved veterinary surgeon, to take a sample of blood,

from the animal for testing by an approved laboratory.

(3) Paragraph (2) does not apply if the animal is moved to slaughter or the movement is under licence granted by a veterinary inspector or the Welsh Ministers.

(4) On receipt of a sample taken under paragraph (2), the operator of the laboratory must—

- (a) test the sample for the presence of BVDV, and
- (b) determine whether or not BVDV is present in the sample.

(5) The operator of the approved laboratory must by notice inform the keeper, the Welsh Ministers and the veterinary surgeon of the result of the test and—

- (a) where BVDV is not present in the sample, the animal has an individual BVD status of negative, or
- (b) where BVDV is present in the sample, the animal has an individual BVD status of positive.

(6) Any bovine animal which has an individual BVD status of positive under paragraph (5)(b) may not be moved off the holding and is subject to the measures in articles 32 and 39 of this Order.

(7) Any bovine animal which has an individual BVD status of negative under paragraph (5)(a) may be moved off the holding.

(8) Where a bovine animal is to be moved from its current holding to another holding, the keeper of the animal must inform the keeper at the holding of destination of the result of the test under paragraph (5) no more than 3 days before moving the animal.