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The Cattle Identification (Amendment) Regulations 2006

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The Secretary of State, being a Minister designated(**a**) for the purposes of section 2(2) of the European Communities Act 1972(**b**) in relation to the common agricultural policy of the European Community, in exercise of the powers conferred on him by that section, makes the following Regulations:

Title and commencement

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Cattle Identification (Amendment) Regulations 2006 and come into force on 15th June 2006.

Amendments to the Cattle Identification Regulations 1998

2. The Cattle Identification Regulations 1998(**c**) are amended in accordance with these Regulations.

Amendments to regulation 2(1)

3.—(1) Regulation 2(1) (interpretation) is amended as follows.

(2) For the definition of "calf passport" substitute—

> ""calf passport" means a document in such form as may be approved by the appropriate Minister in accordance with Article 6.2 of Commission Regulation (EC) No. 911/2004 (implementing Regulation (EC) No. 1760/2000 of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards eartags, passports and holding registers(**d**)) for the purposes of moving calves under 28 days old;".

(3) For the definition of "cattle passport" substitute—

(**a**) S.I. 1972/1811. The power of the Secretary of State, as a Minister designated in relation to measures relating to the common agricultural policy, to make Regulations that extend to Scotland remains exercisable by virtue of section 57(1) of the Scotland Act 1998, c.46.
(**b**) 1972 c. 68.
(**c**) S.I. 1998/871 as amended by S. I. 1998/2969 and 1999/1339.
(**d** OJ No. L 163, 30.4.2004, p. 65.

""cattle passport" means a document containing the information set out in Article 6.1 of Commission Regulation (EC) No. 911/2004 issued by the appropriate Minister, and includes a calf passport;".

(4) For the definition of "the Council Regulation" substitute—

""the Council Regulation" means Council Regulation (EC) No. 1760/2000 (establishing a system for the identification and registration of bovine animals and regarding the labelling of beef products and repealing Council Regulation (EC) No. 820/97(**a**));".

(5) For the definition of "licensed slaughterhouse" substitute—

""slaughterhouse" means a slaughterhouse—

(a) approved or conditionally approved as such by the Food Standards Agency under Article 31(2) of Regulation (EC) No. 882/2004 (of the European Parliament and of the Council on official controls performed to ensure the verification of compliance with feed and food law, animal health and animal welfare rules(**b**)); or

(b) operating as such under Article 4(5) of Regulation (EC) No. 853/2004 (of the European Parliament and of the Council laying down specific hygiene rules for food of animal origin(**c**)) pending such approval;".

(6) For the definition of "official veterinary surgeon" substitute—

""official veterinary surgeon" means an official veterinarian who is qualified in accordance with Regulation (EC) No. 854/2004 of the European Parliament and of the Council (laying down specific rules for the organisation of official controls on products of animal origin intended for human consumption (**d**)) to act in such a capacity and is appointed by the Food Standards Agency;".

(7) The definitions of "official veterinarian" and "Regulation 853/2004" (which apply in Scotland) are omitted.

References to Commission Regulation (EC) No. 2629/97

4. In—

(a) regulation 2(3);

(b) regulation 3(1)(b);

(c) paragraphs (2) and (3) of regulation 4;

(d) regulation 14(1)(b);

(e) paragraphs (1) and (2) of regulation 15;

(f) regulation 29(3);

(g) regulation 30(2); and

(h) regulation 31,

for the words "Commission Regulation (EC) No. 2629/97" substitute "Commission Regulation (EC) No. 911/2004".

References to the Animal By-Products Order 1992

5. In regulations 7(5) and 20(4) for the words "the Animal By-Products Order 1992" substitute "the Animal By-Products Regulations 2005(**e**) in England, the Animal By-Products (Wales)

(**a**) OJ No. L204, 11.8.2000, p. 1.
(**b**) OJ No. L 165, 30.04.2004, p.1.
(**c**) OJ No. L 139, 30.04.2004, p. 55. The revised text of Regulation (EC) No. 853/2004 is now set out in a Corrigendum (OJ No. L226, 25.6.2004, p.22).
(**d**) OJ No. L 139 , 30.04.2004, p. 206.
(**e**) S. I. 2005/2347.

Regulations 2006(**a**) in Wales, and the Animal By-Products (Scotland) Regulations 2003(**b**) in Scotland".

Amendments to regulations 20 and 27

6. In regulations 20 (slaughterhouses and private kills) and 27 (return of cattle passports), in each place that they appear, for the words "licensed slaughterhouse" substitute "slaughterhouse".

Amendment to regulation 31

7. In regulation 31 (powers to restrict movements) for "Article 21" substitute "Article 22(1)".

The National Assembly for Wales (Transfer of Functions) Order 1999

8. The reference to the Cattle Identification Regulations 1998 in Schedule 1 to the National Assembly for Wales (Transfer of Functions) Order 1999(**c**) shall be read as a reference to those Regulations as amended by these Regulations.

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Minister of State
14th June 2006 Department for Environment Food and Rural Affairs

(**a**) S. I. 2006/1293 (W. 127).
(**b**) S. S. I. 2003/411.
(**c**) S. I. 1999/672 to which there are amendments not relevant to these Regulations.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations amend the Cattle Identification Regulations 1998 to replace references to Council Regulation (EC) No. 820/97 with references to Council Regulation (EC) No. 1760/2000 and to replace references to Commission Regulation (EC) No. 2629/97 with references to Commission Regulation (EC) No. 911/2004. They also update references to domestic legislation.

A full regulatory impact assessment has not been produced for this instrument as it has no impact on the costs of business.

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