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PUBLIC HEALTH, ENGLAND AND WALES

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CONTAMINATION OF FOOD

The Food Protection (Emergency Prohibitions) (No. 7) (Amendment No. 4) Order 1986

Made - - - -	*5th September* 1986
Coming into Operation	*6th September* 1986
Laid before Parliament	*8th September* 1986

Whereas the Secretary of State is of the opinion, in accordance with section 1(1)*(a)* of the Food and Environment Protection Act 1985(**a**), that there has been or may have been an escape of substances of such descriptions and in such quantities and such circumstances as are likely to create a hazard to human health through human consumption of food;

And whereas he is of the opinion, in accordance with section 1(1)*(b)* of the said Act, that in consequence of the said escape of substances, food which is, or may be in the future, in the areas described in the first Schedule to the principal order, or which is, or may be in the future, derived from anything in those areas, is, or may be, or may become, unsuitable for human consumption;

Now, therefore, in exercise of the powers conferred on him by the said section 1(1) and section 24(3) of the said Act, and of all other powers enabling him in that behalf, he hereby makes the following order:-

Title, commencement and interpretation

1.—(1) This order may be cited as the Food Protection (Emergency Prohibitions) (No. 7) (Amendment No. 4) Order 1986 and shall come into operation on 6th September 1986.

(2) In this order "the principal order" means the Food Protection (Emergency Prohibitions) (No. 7) Order 1986(**b**).

Amendment of the principal order

2. The principal order is revoked to the extent that it imposes prohibitions in respect of sheep which are in the areas described in article 3 to this order

(**a**) 1985 c.48.
(**b**) S.I. 1986/1422, amended by S.I. 1986/1432, 1491, 1508.

on 6th September 1986; and accordingly the principal order is further amended in accordance with the following provisions of this order.

3. For paragraph (2) of article 1 of the principal order the following paragraph shall be substituted:-

"(2) In this order -

(a) "Amendment Order" means the Food Protection (Emergency Prohibitions) (No. 7) (Amendment) Order 1986(**a**);

(b) "Amendment No. 2 Order" means the Food Protection (Emergency Prohibitions) (No. 7) (Amendment No. 2) Order 1986(**b**);

(c) "Amendment No. 3 Order" means the Food Protection (Emergency Prohibitions) (No. 7) (Amendment No. 3) Order 1986(**c**);

(d) "Amendment No. 4 Order" means the Food Protection (Emergency Prohibitions) (No. 7) (Amendment No. 4) Order 1986;

(e) "Designated area" means an area described in the Schedule to this order;

(f) "Sheep" means an animal of the genus *Ovis* of whatever age or sex.".

4. For article 7 of the principal order the following article shall be substituted:-

"7. Articles 4, 5 and 6 of this order shall not apply in the case of any sheep -

(i) which, on 21st August 1986, was in those parts of the designated area described in Schedule 2 as set out in the Schedule to the Amendment Order;

(ii) which, on 29th August 1986, was in those parts of the designated area added to Schedule 2 and described in Article 3 of the Amendment (No. 2) Order;

(iii) which, on 2nd September 1986, was in those parts of the designated area added to Schedule 2 and described in Article 3 of the Amendment (No. 3) Order;

(iv) which, on 6th September 1986, was in that part of the designated area added to Schedule 2 and described in Article 5 of the Amendment (No. 4) Order.".

5. In Schedule 2 to the principal order (area excepted from articles 4, 5 and 6) after item 1*(d)* there shall be added:-

"*(e)* in the District of Nithsdale the Parish of Kirkconnel.".

D. J. Essery,
Under Secretary,
Scottish Office.

New St. Andrew's House,
Edinburgh.
5th September 1986.

(**a**) S.I. 1986/1432.
(**b**) S.I. 1986/1491.
(**c**) S.I. 1986/1508.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Order.)

The Food Protection (Emergency Prohibitions) (No. 7) Order 1986 ("the principal order") contains emergency prohibitions restricting various activities in order to prevent human consumption of food which has been or which may have been rendered unsuitable for that purpose in consequence of the escape of radioactive substances from a nuclear reactor situated at Chernobyl in the USSR.

The Food Protection (Emergency Prohibitions) (No. 7) (Amendment) Order 1986 excepted from the restrictions imposed by the principal order those sheep which remained in certain parts of the designated areas on 21st August 1986 and the Food Protection (Emergency Prohibitions (No. 7) (Amendment No. 2) Order 1986 and the Food Protection (Emergency Prohibitions) (No. 7) (Amendment No. 3) Order 1986 similarly excepted from those restrictions sheep which remained in other parts of the designated areas on 29th August 1986 and 2nd September 1986 respectively. This order adds to the exceptions from the designated areas and further amends Schedule 2 to the principal order; in consequence any sheep which have been moved from those further excepted areas before 6th September 1986 remain subject to the remaining restrictions imposed by the principal order and, in particular, may not be slaughtered, anywhere in the United Kingdom, for human consumption or for use in the preparation of feeding stuffs.

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