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The Specified Risk Material Amendment (Scotland) Order 2001

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The Scottish Ministers, in exercise of the powers conferred by sections 1, 10(1)(a) and (c) and (2), 11 and 83(2) of, and Schedule 2 to, the Animal Health Act 1981(**1**), and of all other powers enabling them in that behalf, hereby make the following Order:

Citation, commencement and extent

1.—(1) This Order may be cited as the Specified Risk Material Amendment (Scotland) Order 2001 and shall come into force on 20th August 2001.

(2) This Order shall extend to Scotland only.

Amendments to the Specified Risk Material Order 1997

2.—(1) The Specified Risk Material Order 1997(**2**) is amended in accordance with the following paragraphs of this article.

(2) In article 2(1) (interpretation)–

(a) in the definition of "specified risk material"(**3**) at the beginning of sub-paragraph (c), shall be inserted the words "(subject to paragraph (5) below)"; and

(b) the following definition shall be added at the end:–

> ""vertebral column" excludes the vertebrae of the tail and the transverse processes of the lumbar vertebrae but includes dorsal root ganglia".

(3) After paragraph (4) of article 2 the following paragraph shall be inserted:–

(**1**) 1981 c. 22. See section 86(1) for the definition of "the Ministers". The functions of the Ministers of the Crown were transferred to the Scottish Ministers by virtue of section 53 of the Scotland Act 1998 (c. 46).
(**2**) S.I.1997/2964, as amended by S.S.I. 2000/344 and 2001/4.
(**3**) The definition of "specified risk material" was substituted by S.S.I. 2000/344.

"(5) Notwithstanding the definition of "specified risk material" in paragraph (1)(c) above, where the carcase of a bovine animal containing vertebral column which is specified bovine material has been imported in accordance with article 6(2A) below, the part of the carcase not comprising the vertebral column shall not be regarded as specified risk material for the purposes of this Order.".

(4) In article 3(1) (specified sheep or goat material)(**4**), before the words ""specified sheep or goat material"" there shall be inserted "(subject to paragraph (2) below)".

(5) After paragraph (1) of article 3 there shall be inserted the following paragraphs:–

"(2) Material derived from a sheep or goat born, continuously reared and slaughtered in any of the countries specified in paragraph (3) below is not specified sheep or goat material as defined by paragraph (1) above.

(3) The countries are–

Argentina

Australia

Botswana

Brazil

Chile

Costa Rica

Namibia

New Zealand

Nicaragua

Paraguay

Singapore

Swaziland

Uruguay.".

(6) Article 4 (specified bovine material) is substituted by the following article:–

"**4.**—(1) In this Order, "specified bovine material" means–

(a) (subject to paragraph (3) below) the intestines from the duodenum to the rectum of a bovine animal, regardless of where it was slaughtered or died or of its age at slaughter or death;

(b) the following material derived from a bovine animal which was slaughtered or died in the United Kingdom or Portugal:–

(i) when it was aged over 6 months–

(aa) the head (excluding the tongue but including the brain, eyes, trigeminal ganglia and tonsils);

(bb) the thymus;

(cc) the spleen;

(dd) the spinal cord; and

(ii) (subject to paragraph (4) below) when it was aged over 12 months, the vertebral column; and

(**4**) Article 3 was amended by S.S.I. 2000/344.