STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

2000 No. 344

ANIMALS

Animals (Records) (Amendment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2000

Made - - - - 14th November 2000

Coming into operation 1st January 2001

The Department of Agriculture and Rural Development(**1**), in exercise of the powers conferred on it by Articles 44 and 60(1) of the Diseases of Animals (Northern Ireland) Order 1981(**2**) and of every other power enabling it in that behalf, hereby makes the following Order:

Citation and commencement

1. This Order may be cited as the Animals (Records) (Amendment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2000 and shall come into operation on 1st January 2001.

Amendments to the Animals (Records) Order (Northern Ireland) 1997

2.—(1) The Animals (Records) Order (Northern Ireland) 1997(**3**) shall be amended as provided in paragraphs (2) to (4).

(2) After Article 4(3) there shall be inserted the following paragraph—

"(3A) Without prejudice to paragraphs (2) and (3), the owner or person in charge of sheep shall record, on or before 31st January in each year, the particulars specified in columns G to L of the form set out in Schedule 3 in respect of sheep owned by him or in his charge on 1st January of that year.".

(3) In both Article 5(1) and Article 6 after "4(1), (2)" there shall be inserted, ", (3A)".

(4) For Schedule 3 (flock record for sheep) there shall be substituted the Schedule set out in the Schedule to this Order.

Transitional provision

3. Any entry made in a record in respect of sheep required to be kept by a person by the Animals (Records) Order (Northern Ireland) 1997 as it had effect on 31st December 2000, shall, if made on or before 31st December 2000, be retained by him for a period of 3 years after the making of the

(**1**) Formerly the Department of Agriculture for Northern Ireland: *see*S.I.1999/283 (N.I. 1)Art. 3(4)
(**2**) S.I. 1981/1115 (N.I. 22): Art. 60(1) was substituted by S.I. 1994/1891 (N.I. 6) Art. 23(1)
(**3**) S.R. 1997 No. 172 as amended by S.R. 1998 No. 27