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ANIMALS

Sheep Scab (Amendment) Order (Northern Ireland) 1978

Made . . . . . 30*th August* 1978
Coming into operation . . . 30*th September* 1978

The Department(a) of Agriculture, in exercise of the powers conferred on it by sections 5, 7, 8, 13, 14, 23, 25 and 53 of the Diseases of Animals Act (Northern Ireland) 1958(b), and of all other powers enabling it in that behalf, hereby makes the following Order:

Citation and commencement

1. This Order may be cited as the Sheep Scab (Amendment) Order (Northern Ireland) 1978 and shall come into operation on 30th September 1978.

Amendment to the Sheep Scab Order (Northern Ireland) 1970

2. The Sheep Scab Order (Northern Ireland) 1970(c) is hereby amended as follows:

(1) In article 3—

(*a*) before the definition of "authorised" there shall be inserted:

" "approved sheep dip" means a sheep dip in respect of which there is a currently valid product licence permitting its sale or supply for use against disease;";

(*b*) after the definition of "owner" there shall be inserted:

" "product licence" means a product licence valid in Northern Ireland issued under the provisions of the Medicines Act 1968;"(d);

(2) Article 6 shall be renumbered 6.—(1) and in that article from "and" to the end shall be deleted and after that article there shall be added:

"(2) On service of the notice in the Form C, the movement of any sheep or carcase into or out of the premises shall be prohibited except under the conditions of a licence granted by an inspector, and the owner or occupier shall comply with the rules appertaining to an infected place contained in that notice.";

(3) In article 11—

(*a*) in paragraph 2(*b*) from "Provided, however" to the end shall be deleted;

(*b*) for paragraph (3) there shall be substituted:

"(3) This Article shall not apply to sheep which are being moved from a place in the Republic of Ireland through Northern Ireland to another place in the Republic of Ireland unless such sheep are unloaded in Northern Ireland.";

(a) Formerly Ministry: *see* 1973 c. 36 Sch. 5 para. 8(1)
(b) 1958 c. 13 (N.I.)
(c) S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1970 No. 240 (p. 1219)
(d) 1968 c. 67

(*c*) after paragraph (3) there shall be added:

"(4) This Article shall not apply to sheep for which a licence is issued by an authorised officer at the point of entry to allow movement of the sheep direct to a slaughterhouse for immediate slaughter, or direct to a port for immediate shipment, in which case a licence shall be issued only if the sheep meet the import regulations of the importing country.";

(4) Article 13 shall be renumbered 13.—(1) and after that article there shall be added:

"(2) After sheep have been dipped in accordance with the preceding paragraph, they shall be kept separate from all other sheep which have not been so dipped.";

(5) In article 14—

(*a*) in paragraph (1) after "saleyard" there shall be inserted:

"or otherwise sell or dispose of them except direct to a slaughterhouse for immediate slaughter";

(*b*) in paragraph (2) after "saleyard" there shall be inserted:

"or private sale except for the purpose of immediate slaughter";

(*c*) after paragraph (2) there shall be added:

"(3) Where during the dipping period, sheep purchased at a fair, market, saleyard or private sale have already been dipped in accordance with Article 13, such sheep shall not be permitted to come into contact with any undipped sheep on the purchaser's premises, and if such contact should occur the sheep purchased shall be deemed to be undipped and the owner shall be required to have them dipped together with the undipped sheep.";

(6) For article 15 there shall be substituted:

"**15.** The owner or person in charge of any sheep which are on any premises on the last day of the dipping period and which are required to be dipped under Article 12 shall, not later than 4 days after the termination of the dipping period make and furnish to the Department a declaration in the Form J in the Schedule.";

(7) For article 16 there shall be substituted:

"*Dipping by the Department*

16. If any person fails to carry out any dipping of sheep required of him under this Order, the Department, without prejudice to any proceedings arising from such failure, may carry out such dipping, and the expense thereof may be recovered by the Department from the owner or person in charge of the sheep.";

(8) In the title of Form H in the Schedule after "Saleyard" there shall be inserted "or Private Sale";

(9) For the Forms C and J in the Schedule there shall be substituted:

"FORM C

SHEEP SCAB ORDER (NORTHERN IRELAND) 1970

(Articles 6 and 7)

Notice defining an Infected Place

To ..... of .....

I, the undersigned, being an inspector appointed by the Department of Agriculture for Northern Ireland, hereby give you notice as the owner/occupier of the undermentioned premises that I have today confirmed that sheep scab is/was present among the flock on the said premises and that in accordance with the provisions of the above-mentioned Order the place referred to below is declared an infected place under the Diseases of Animals Act (Northern Ireland) 1958 and is subject to the rules printed below:—

Dated this ..... day of 19
Signed .....

Description and limits of the infected place:

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Number of Sheep on the Premises

	Healthy	Diseased
Rams		
Ewes		
Lambs		
Others		

RULES APPERTAINING TO AN INFECTED PLACE

1. All sheep shall be dipped to the satisfaction of an inspector.
2. The premises shall be disinfected to the satisfaction of an inspector.
3. Until this notice is withdrawn
   (*a*) the sheep shall be isolated at the above premises from all other animals.