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The Horse Passports Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2010

PART 1

Introduction

Citation and commencement

1. These Regulations may be cited as The Horse Passports Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2010 and shall come into operation on 31st March 2010.

Interpretation

2.—(1) The Interpretation Act (Northern Ireland) 1954 shall apply to these Regulations as it applies to an Act of the Assembly.

(2) In these Regulations — “[Commission Regulation \(EC\) No. 504/2008](#)” means [Commission Regulation \(EC\) No. 504/2008](#) (implementing Council Directives [90/426/EEC](#) and [90/427/EEC](#) as regards methods for the identification of Equidae)(1).

“the Department” means the Department of Agriculture and Rural Development.

“horse” means wild or domesticated solipeds within the genus *Equus* of the family Equidae, and their crosses.

“passport” means the identification document for the identification of a horse in accordance with [Commission Regulation \(EC\) No. 504/2008](#).

“passport issuing organisation” means an issuing body in accordance with [Commission Regulation \(EC\) No. 504/2008](#).

“veterinary surgeon” means a person registered under The Veterinary Surgeons Act 1966.

(3) Any reference in these Regulations to an Article is a reference to an Article of [Commission Regulation \(EC\) No. 504/2008](#).

(4) Expressions used both in these Regulations and in [Commission Regulation \(EC\) No. 504/2008](#) shall have the same meaning in these Regulations as they have in [Commission Regulation \(EC\) No. 504/2008](#).