



2010 CHAPTER 1

Power to slaughter

Slaughter to prevent spread of disease

1. In Article 16 of the [Diseases of Animals \(Northern Ireland\) Order 1981 \(NI 22\)](#) (in this Act referred to as “the 1981 Order”) (slaughter of diseased and suspected animals and poultry)—

(a) for paragraph (1), substitute—

“(1) Schedule 2 has effect as to the slaughter of animals and poultry in relation to any disease specified in that Schedule.”;

(b) after paragraph (2) add—

“(3) An order under paragraph (2) may, in particular, include provision authorising or requiring the slaughter of animals or poultry which the Department thinks should be slaughtered with a view to preventing the spread of any disease whether or not the animals or poultry—

- (a) are affected with the disease or suspected of being so affected;
- (b) are or have been in contact with animals or poultry so affected;
- (c) have been in any way exposed to the disease;
- (d) have been treated with serum or vaccine (or both) against the disease.”.