

## SCHEDULE 3

Regulations 2 and 3(a)

### SHEEP

#### PART I

Part I of this Schedule specifies permitted procedures which may be performed by a lay person in relation to sheep

##### **Identification procedures**

- 1.—(1) Ear notching;
- (2) Ear tagging;
- (3) Microchipping;
- (4) Tattooing;
- (5) Other methods of identification involving a prohibited procedure required by law and not restricted to being undertaken by a veterinary surgeon.

##### **Procedures for the control of reproduction**

- 2.—(1) Artificial insemination;
- (2) Castration;
- (3) Implantation of a subcutaneous contraceptive;
- (4) Implantation of a subcutaneous hormone.

##### **Other management procedures**

- 3.—(1) Disbudding;
- (2) Tail docking.

#### PART II

Part II specifies any additional conditions for a procedure

##### **Castration**

4.—(1) When the method used is the application of a rubber ring or other device to constrict the flow of blood to the scrotum, the procedure shall only be carried out on an animal aged not more than 7 days.

- (2) When any other method is used it shall only be used up to the age of 3 months.

##### **Implantation of a subcutaneous contraceptive**

- 5.—(1) The procedure may not be carried out on a farmed animal.
- (2) The procedure shall only be carried out as part of a conservation breeding programme.

### **Implantation of a subcutaneous hormone**

6. This would apply to subcutaneous hormone (or other pharmaceutical product) for modulating seasonal reproductive activity in adult females.

### **Tail docking**

7.—(1) In all cases, enough of the tail shall be retained to cover the vulva of a female animal or the anus of a male animal.

(2) When the method used is the application of a rubber ring or other device to constrict the flow of blood to the tail, the procedure shall only be carried out on an animal aged not more than 7 days, or by any other means such as a hot docking iron, before the age of three months.