

## 1990 No. 344

## ANIMALS

**Diseases of Animals (Feedingstuffs) Order  
(Northern Ireland) 1990**

*Made* . . . . . 24th September 1990

*Coming into operation* . . . . . 24th September 1990

The Department of Agriculture in exercise of the powers conferred on it by Articles 5(1), 32 and 60(1) of the Diseases of Animals (Northern Ireland) Order 1981(a) and of every other power enabling it in that behalf and in the interests of animal health in respect of the exercise of its powers under Article 32, hereby makes the following Order:

*Citation and commencement*

1. This Order may be cited as the Diseases of Animals (Feedingstuffs) Order (Northern Ireland) 1990 and shall come into operation on 24th September 1990.

*Extension of definition of animals*

2. For the purposes of the 1981 Order in its application to this Order:—

(a) the list of animals in Part I of Schedule 1 to the 1981 Order is hereby extended so as to comprise—

(i) any kind of mammal except man, and

(ii) any kind of four-footed beast which is not a mammal;

(b) the list of poultry in Part II of Schedule 1 to the 1981 Order is hereby extended so as to comprise birds of any species.

*Interpretation*

3. In this Order—

“animal protein” means any protein material which is derived from a carcase but does not include milk or any milk product or dicalcium bone phosphate;

“carcase” means the carcase of a ruminating animal and includes part of the carcase, and the meat, blood, bones, hair, wool, hide, skin, horn, hooves, offal or other part of an animal separately or otherwise, or any portion thereof;

“feedingstuffs” means fodder and includes pet food;

“fodder” has the meaning assigned to it by Article 2(2) of the 1981 Order;

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(a) S.I. 1981/1115 (N.I. 22) as amended by S.I. 1984/702 (N.I. 2) Art. 17

- “general export licence” means a licence granted under Article 5 which applies to all exporters of feedingstuffs;
- “intestines” means that part of the digestive tract of a bovine animal from the junction of the abomasum and the duodenum to (and including) the rectum;
- “the 1981 Order” means the Diseases of Animals (Northern Ireland) Order 1981;
- “specified bovine offal” means the brain, spinal cord, spleen, thymus, tonsils and intestines of any bovine animal over 6 months of age when slaughtered in the United Kingdom; and
- “specific export licence” means a licence granted under Article 5 which only applies to the applicant therefor.

*Prohibition on sale, supply and use of certain feedingstuffs for feeding to animals and poultry*

- 4.—(1) A person shall not sell or supply for feeding to any ruminating animal any feedingstuffs in which he knows or has reason to suspect that animal protein has been incorporated.
- (2) Subject to paragraph (5) a person shall not feed to any ruminating animal any feedingstuffs in which he knows or has reason to suspect that any animal protein has been incorporated.
- (3) A person shall not sell or supply for feeding to animals other than ruminating animals or poultry any specified bovine offal or any feedingstuffs which he knows or has reason to suspect contains specified bovine offal or animal protein which is derived from any specified bovine offal.
- (4) Subject to paragraph (5) a person shall not feed to any animals other than ruminating animals or poultry any specified bovine offal or any feedingstuff which he knows or has reason to suspect contains specified bovine offal or animal protein which is derived from any specified bovine offal.
- (5) The prohibitions in paragraphs (2) and (4) shall not apply to the feeding of specified bovine offal or a feedingstuff to an animal or poultry for research purposes under the authority of and in accordance with the conditions of a licence granted by the Department.

*Regulation of exportation of feedingstuffs*

- 5.—(1) A person shall not export any feedingstuff which he knows or has reason to suspect contains specified bovine offal or animal protein derived from any specified bovine offal from Northern Ireland to a Member State except under the authority of and in accordance with the conditions, if any, of a licence granted by the Department.
- (2) Such a licence may be general or specific.
- (3) A general export licence shall be granted by the publication in such manner as the Department thinks sufficient to bring to the attention of persons likely to be affected by it.
- (4) A specific export licence shall be sent to the person to whom it was granted.

(5) The Department may vary, revoke or suspend a licence—

- (a) if it is a general licence, via notice published, so far as is practicable, in the same manner as the licence;
- (b) if it is a specific licence, via notice in writing served on the person to whom the licence was issued.

(6) Any person wishing to obtain a licence shall apply to the Department in such form and manner and within such time as the Department may require.

#### *Sampling*

6. Where an inspector has reasonable grounds for supposing that any person has contravened, is contravening or is likely to contravene Articles 4 or 5 he may take from any feedingstuffs such samples as he considers necessary in order to establish the correctness of that supposition.

#### *Revocation*

7. The Diseases of Animals (Feeding Stuffs) Order (Northern Ireland) 1989(a) and the Diseases of Animals (Feeding Stuffs) (Amendment) Order (Northern Ireland) 1989(b) are hereby revoked.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of Agriculture on 24th September 1990.

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*D. A. J. Hirrell*

Assistant Secretary

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(a) S.R. 1989 No. 8

(b) S.R. 1989 No. 497

## EXPLANATORY NOTE

*(This note is not part of the Order.)*

This Order revokes and re-enacts with amendments the Diseases of Animals (Feeding Stuffs) Order (Northern Ireland) 1989 ("the 1989 Order").

The provisions of the 1989 Order are re-enacted.

The amendments prohibit the sale, supply and use of specified bovine offal and feedingstuffs containing specified bovine offal (which comprises the brain, spinal cord, spleen, thymus, tonsils and intestines of a bovine animal) or any animal protein derived from it for feeding to any kind of mammal, except man and any kind of four-footed beast which is not a mammal and any bird.

The Order further prohibits the exportation of feeding stuffs which contain specified bovine offal or material derived from such offal from Northern Ireland to a Member State of the European Communities except under the authority of and in accordance with the conditions (if any) of a licence granted by the Department.