
STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

1996 No. 460

Export of Animals (Protection) Order (Northern Ireland) 1996

Exemptions

13.—(1) The Department may issue a licence exempting from any of the provisions of this Order, other than the provisions of Articles 10, 11 and 12, any animals which the Department is satisfied are—

- (a) pedigree animals intended for breeding;
- (b) animals intended for breeding which are capable of imparting commercially valuable characteristics to their progeny;
- (c) companion animals; or
- (d) animals intended for exhibition or other special purpose.

(2) A licence shall not be granted under this Article unless the Department is satisfied that the animals are unlikely to be exposed to unnecessary suffering as a result of the exemption.

(3) The Department may grant a licence under this Article subject to such conditions as appear to the Department to be required in order to prevent any unnecessary suffering to the animals.

(4) A person wishing to obtain a licence under this Article shall make an application to the Department in such form and manner and within such time as the Department may require and shall provide the Department with the following information—

- (a) the information required to be provided under paragraph (3) of Article 3 except the information required under sub-paragraph (c) of that paragraph;
- (b) the address of the premises where the animals are or will be immediately before they are loaded for international transport; and
- (c) the purpose for which the animals are to be exported.

(5) The Department may vary, revoke or suspend a licence granted under this Article by notice in writing served on the person to whom the licence was granted.