STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

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Transmissible Spongiform Encephalopathy Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2002

PART IV

SPECIFIED RISK MATERIAL

Prohibitions: slaughter and carcases

Prohibition on the removal of brain and eyes

44.—(1) Subject to paragraph (2), a person shall not remove the brain or eyes –

(a) from the carcase of a bovine animal which was slaughtered or has died at an age greater than six months; or

(b) from a carcase of a sheep or goat which at the time it was slaughtered or died had one or more permanent incisor teeth erupted through the gum or was aged more than 12 months.

(2) The prohibitions in paragraph (1) shall not apply to brain or eyes removed from such carcases in premises used for the purposes of veterinary or scientific examination or research, providing the part of the premises in which the examination or research is carried out is kept free from food, feedingstuffs and any cosmetic, pharmaceutical or medical product and their starting materials or intermediate products.