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STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

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The Official Feed and Food Controls  
Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2005

PART 3

OFFICIAL CONTROLS ON FEED AND FOOD OF  
NON-ANIMAL ORIGIN FROM THIRD COUNTRIES

**Serious risk to animal or public health**

**33.**—(1) Where the Department of Agriculture and Rural Development or the Agency learns, or has reasonable grounds to suspect that food or feed that has been or may be introduced into Northern Ireland from a third country is likely to constitute a serious risk to animal or public health, it may by written declaration suspend, or impose conditions on, the introduction into Northern Ireland of any product from the whole or any part of that third country.

(2) Such a declaration shall be published in such manner as the Department of Agriculture and Rural Development or the Agency, as the case may be, thinks fit and shall specify the products and the third country or part thereof concerned.

(3) A declaration which imposes conditions on the introduction of any product from a third country or part thereof shall specify those conditions.

(4) Where a declaration is in force suspending the introduction of any product, no person shall introduce that product into Northern Ireland if it originates in the third country or part thereof specified in the declaration.

(5) Where a declaration is in force imposing conditions on the introduction of any product, no person shall introduce that product into Northern Ireland if it originates in the third country or part thereof specified in the declaration unless the product complies with conditions specified in the declaration.

(6) A declaration may be modified, suspended or revoked by a further written declaration published, so far as is practicable, in the same manner and to the same extent as the original declaration.