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STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

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**2016 No. 54**

**The Animals and Animal Products (Examination  
for Residues and Maximum Residue Limits)  
Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2016**

**PART 3**

**Sampling and Analysis**

**Results of primary analysis**

**15.**—(1) Where the primary analysis shows that an official sample, or in the case of such a sample containing the remains of a solid implant or injection site, such remains of solid implant or injection site, contains—

- (a) an unauthorised substance or unlicensed substance;
- (b) a substance which an analyst reasonably suspects may be an unauthorised substance or unlicensed substance;
- (c) in the case of a sample taken from an animal or batch of animals, its excrement or body fluids or from its tissues, an authorised substance at a concentration which is notified to the analyst by an authorised officer as one which causes him reasonably to suspect that an animal product derived from that animal or batch of animals may contain an authorised substance at a concentration exceeding the relevant maximum residue limit; or
- (d) in the case of a sample taken from any animal product, an authorised substance at a concentration exceeding the relevant maximum residue limit,

the analyst shall record that information in a primary analysis certificate and provide a copy of that certificate to an authorised officer who shall then give that copy to the relevant person.

(2) Where the primary analysis does not show anything requiring a primary analysis certificate to be given under paragraph (1), the analyst shall notify an authorised officer of that fact and the authorised officer shall then notify the relevant person.

(3) For the purposes of this regulation and regulations 16 and 17, “relevant person” shall mean —

- (a) the owner of the premises where the sample was taken; or
- (b) in the event that the person in sub-paragraph (a) is not also the owner of the animal, batch of animals, animal product or other article or substance from which the sample was taken, the owner thereof,

whichever one of them that the authorised officer considers appropriate.