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The Sheep and Goats (Identification and Traceability) (Scotland) Regulations 2006

PART 2

Application of identification

Baseline eartags: animals born after 9th July 2005

6.—(1) The keeper of an animal born after 9th July 2005 shall comply with Article 4(1) and (2) (a) of the Council Regulation and this regulation.

(2) The period determined for the purposes of Article 4(1) of the Council Regulation is—

- (a) 9 months from its date of birth, in the case of an animal kept in extensive or free range farming conditions; and
- (b) 6 months from its date of birth, in the case of any other animal.

(3) For an animal born after 9th July 2005, the individual identification code for the first means of identification (“baseline UK eartag”) for the purposes of Section A.2 of the Annex is the following information in the following order:—

- (a) the letters “UK”;
- (b) the flockmark or herdmark of the holding of birth; and
- (c) a unique number.

Baseline eartags: animals born on or before 9th July 2005

7.—(1) Subject to paragraph (2), the keeper of an animal born on or before 9th July 2005—

- (a) which has not moved from its holding of birth, shall apply to the animal before it is moved from that holding a baseline UK eartag;
- (b) which is on a holding other than its holding of birth, shall apply to the animal before it is moved from that holding an eartag bearing an individual identification code with the following information in the following order (“baseline S eartag”):—
 - (i) the letter “S”;
 - (ii) the flockmark or herdmark of the flock or herd from which the animal is being moved; and
 - (iii) a unique number.

(2) Paragraph (1)(b) shall not apply to an animal bearing a means of identification with an individual identification code applied under any provision giving effect to the Council Regulation in England, Wales or Northern Ireland, previous United Kingdom Orders or Regulations or any provision giving effect to the Council Directive in another member State.

Baseline eartags: animals imported from third countries

8.—(1) The keeper of an animal imported from a third country shall comply with Article 4(1) and (4) of the Council Regulation and this regulation.

(2) The period determined for the purposes of Article 4(4) of the Council Regulation is 14 days.

(3) For an animal imported from a third country, the individual identification code for the first means of identification (“baseline F eartag”) for the purposes of Section A.2 of the Annex is the following information in the following order:—

- (a) the letters “UK”;
- (b) the flockmark or herdmark of the holding of import;
- (c) a unique number; and
- (d) the letter “F”.

Second means of identification: animals involved in intra Community trade

9.—(1) The keeper of an animal born after 9th July 2005 and involved in intra Community trade shall comply with Article 4(2)(b) of the Council Regulation and this regulation.

(2) The second means of identification to be applied to an animal involved in intra Community trade for the purposes of Section A.4 of the Annex shall be for the purposes of section A4 of the Annex—

- (a) an eartag bearing the same individual identification code as that on the identification applied in accordance with Article 4(1) and (2)(b) of the Council Regulation; or
- (b) an eartag bearing an individual identification code with the following information in the following order (an “X eartag”):—
 - (i) the letters “UK”;
 - (ii) the flockmark or herdmark of the holding from which an animal is being moved;
 - (iii) a unique number; and
 - (iv) the letter “X”.

(3) The keeper of an animal born on or before 9th July 2005 and involved in intra Community trade shall apply a second means of identification to that animal in the form of—

- (a) an eartag bearing the individual identification code on the eartag already attached to the animal; or
- (b) an X eartag.

Movement eartags

10.—(1) Subject to paragraph (3)—

- (a) the keeper of an animal born after 9th July 2005 which is to be moved from a holding shall comply with the system introduced under Article 4(2)(c) of the Council Regulation (as a replacement for the system of a second means of identification in Article 4(2)(b) of the Council Regulation); and
- (b) for the purposes of that replacement system, the identification to be applied to an animal born after 9th July 2005 which is to be moved from a holding shall be an eartag bearing an identification code with the following information in the following order (a “movement eartag”):—
 - (i) the letter “S”; and
 - (ii) the flockmark or herdmark of the holding from which the animal is being moved.

(2) Subject to paragraph (3), the keeper of an animal born on or before 9th July 2005 which is to be moved from a holding shall apply to that animal a movement eartag.

(3) Paragraphs (1) and (2) shall not apply–

- (a) to the movement of an animal from a holding at which a baseline UK eartag, a baseline S eartag, a baseline F eartag, an R eartag or a tattoo identifying the animal individually was attached to that animal under the Council Regulation, these Regulations or previous Scottish Orders and Regulations;
- (b) to the movement of an animal involved in intra Community trade;
- (c) to the movement of an animal which is already marked with 3 eartags under–
 - (i) the Council Regulation, these Regulations or any provision giving effect to the Council Regulation in England, Wales, Northern Ireland or another member State; or
 - (ii) previous United Kingdom Orders or Regulations or any provision giving effect to the Council Directive in another member State;
- (d) to the movement of an animal to or from a show or exhibition;
- (e) to the movement of an animal returning to its holding from temporary grazing;
- (f) to the movement of an animal returning to its holding from a holding to which it was moved for the purpose of dipping or shearing;
- (g) to the movement of a ram or goat to or from a holding to which it is moved for the purpose of breeding;
- (h) to the movement of an animal to another holding in the United Kingdom if the keeper at the holding from which the animal is being moved records the individual identification code of that animal in–
 - (i) the register at that holding; and
 - (ii) the movement document;
- (i) to the movement of an animal from a market or slaughterhouse; or
- (j) to the movement of an animal from a holding when that animal bears a movement eartag applied under these Regulations or previous Scottish Orders or Regulations as a result of an earlier movement from the holding.

Animals intended for slaughter

11. For the purposes of Article 4(3) of the Council Regulation the identification method in Section A.7 of the Annex shall not be used.