

EXECUTIVE NOTE

THE IMPORT AND EXPORT RESTRICTIONS(FOOT AND MOUTH DISEASE) (SCOTLAND) REGULATIONS 2007 SSI/2007/376

The above instrument was made under section 2(2) of the European Communities Act 1972 on 9 August 2007 and is subject to negative resolution procedure.

Policy Objective

The policy objective in introducing this legislation is to implement the Commission Decision 2007/552 /EC of 6 August 2007 which applies new restrictions on the dispatch from the UK of all live animals susceptible to FMD and products derived from them, including meat and dairy products, genetic material and by-products. The Regulations make it an offence to dispatch from Scotland live animals of the bovine, porcine, ovine or caprine species. They also prohibit imports of such animals into Scotland, reflecting the fact that the Commission Decision prevents other Member States from sending such animals to the UK.

The Regulations also make it an offence for individuals to take out of the country in their personal luggage any of the products to which the Regulations apply. These are fresh meat; meat products; milk; dairy products; and hides and skins.

Consultation

Stakeholders affected by these Regulations have not been consulted because they implement EU obligations.

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