

STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1980 No. 145

ANIMALS

DISEASES OF ANIMALS

The African Swine Fever Order 1980

Made - - - - 4th February 1980

Coming into Operation 4th March 1980

The Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food, the Secretary of State for Scotland and the Secretary of State for Wales, acting jointly, in exercise of the powers conferred by sections 1, 10, 11, 17(2), 20 and 84(3)(a) of the Diseases of Animals Act 1950(a) and now vested in them(b) and of all other powers enabling them in that behalf, hereby order as follows:—

Citation, extent and commencement

1. This order, which may be cited as the African Swine Fever Order 1980, shall apply throughout Great Britain, and shall come into operation on 4th March 1980.

Extension of definition of disease

2. The definition of the expression "disease" in section 84(3)(a) of the Diseases of Animals Act 1950 is hereby extended to include african swine fever for all the purposes of the Act, and section 17 of the Act (which makes provision for the slaughtering of any animal affected or suspected of being affected with any disease or which has been exposed to the infection of any such disease) shall apply to that disease.

Application of existing provisions to african swine fever

3. The provisions of the orders relating to foot-and-mouth disease mentioned in the Schedule to this order shall apply to the extent indicated in the third column of that Schedule to african swine fever as they apply to foot-and-mouth disease, and as if references therein to foot-and-mouth disease were references to african swine fever, and any forms, notices or other documents for use under those provisions as applied by this order shall be subject to the necessary modifications and adaptations.

(a) 1950 c. 36.

(b) In the case of the Secretary of State for Scotland by virtue of the Transfer of Functions (Animal Health) Order 1955 (S.I. 1955/958) and in the case of the Secretary of State for Wales by virtue of the Transfer of Functions (Wales) (No. 1) Order 1978 (S.I. 1978/272).

In Witness whereof the Official Seal of the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food is hereunto affixed on 28th January 1980.

(L.S.)

Peter Walker,
Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food.

George Younger,
Secretary of State for Scotland.

30th January 1980.

Nicholas Edwards,
Secretary of State for Wales.

4th February 1980.

SCHEDULE

<i>Orders</i>	<i>References</i>	<i>Provisions Applied</i>
Foot-and-Mouth Disease Order of 1928	S.R. & O. 1928/133	The whole order except Articles 5 & 6.
Foot and Mouth Disease Order of 1930	S.R. & O. 1930/785	The whole order
Foot-and-Mouth Disease (Amendment) Order of 1938	S.R. & O. 1938/192	The whole order
Foot and Mouth Disease (Amendment) Order 1969	S.I. 1969/1444	The whole order
Foot-and-Mouth Disease (Infected Areas Restrictions) Order of 1938	S.R. & O. 1938/1434	The whole order
Foot and Mouth Disease (Infected Areas Restrictions) (Amendment) Order 1969	S.I. 1969/1445	The whole order
Foot-and-Mouth Disease (Infected and Controlled Areas Restrictions) (Amendment) Order 1956	S.I. 1956/101	The whole order

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Order.)

This Order extends the definition of disease in section 84 of the Disease of Animals Act 1950 to include african swine fever for all the purposes of the Act, and enables animals affected or suspected of being affected with that disease, or exposed to infection, to be slaughtered. It also applies certain provisions relating to foot-and-mouth disease for the purposes of african swine fever.