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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**1993 No. 990**

**FOOD**

**The Animals, Meat and Meat Products  
(Examination for Residues and Maximum  
Residue Limits) (Amendment) Regulations 1993**

<i>Made</i>	- - - -	<i>30th March 1993</i>
<i>Laid before Parliament</i>		<i>15th April 1993</i>
<i>Coming into force</i>	- -	<i>5th May 1993</i>

The Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food, the Secretary of State for Health and the Secretary of State for Wales, acting jointly in relation to England and Wales, and the Secretary of State for Scotland in relation to Scotland, in exercise of the powers conferred on them by sections 6(4), 16(1) and (3), 17(1), 26(2) and (3), 27(2) and (5), 30(9), 31(1) and (2), 45(1) and (2), 48(1) and 49(2) of, and paragraphs 3(1)(b) and 7 of Schedule 1 to, the Food Safety Act 1990(1) and of all other powers enabling them in that behalf; the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food and the Secretary of State, being Ministers designated(2) for the purposes of section 2(2) of the European Communities Act 1972(3) in relation to the common agricultural policy of the European Economic Community, acting jointly, in exercise (so far as is required for the amendment of regulations made under the said section 2(2)) of the powers conferred on them by the said section 2(2), and of all other powers enabling them in that behalf; hereby make the following Regulations after consultation in accordance with the said section 48 of the Act of 1990 with such organisations as appear to them to be representative of interests substantially affected by the Regulations (in so far as the Regulations are made in exercise of the powers conferred by the said sections of the said Act of 1990).

**Title, commencement and scope**

1.—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the Animals, Meat and Meat Products (Examination for Residues and Maximum Residue Limits) (Amendment) Regulations 1993 and shall come into force on 5th May 1993.

(2) The Animals, Meat and Meat Products (Examination for Residues and Maximum Residue Limits) Regulations 1991(4) (“the principal Regulations”) shall be amended in accordance with the following regulations.

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(1) 1990 c. 16; “the Ministers” is defined in section 4(1).  
(2) S.I.1972/1811.  
(3) 1972 c. 68.  
(4) S.I. 1991/2843.

## Amendment of the principal Regulations

2. In regulation 2 (interpretation)—
- (a) in paragraph (1) for sub-paragraph (a) of the definition of “food authority” there shall be substituted—
- “*(a)* as respects each London borough, district or non-metropolitan county, the council of that borough, district or county;”;
- (b) for the definition of “veterinary medicinal product” there shall be substituted—
- ““veterinary medicinal product” has the same meaning as in the Medicines (Restriction on the Administration of Veterinary Medicinal Products) Regulations 1983<sup>(5)</sup>; except that it includes—
- (a) medicinal additives for feedingstuffs to which the provisions of Council Directive 70/524/EEC<sup>(6)</sup> apply;
- (b) medicated feedingstuffs; and
- (c) vaccines, toxins or serums;”;
- (c) in paragraph (2) after the words “for the purposes of these regulations,” there shall be inserted the words “the presence of”.
3. In regulation 15(5) (notice on completion of examination) for the words “prohibiting the sale or slaughter of any animal” there shall be substituted the words “prohibiting the slaughter of any animal”.
4. In regulation 20 (keeping and retention of records)—
- (a) at the end of paragraph (1) there shall be added the following sentence—
- “Such a record shall be made within 72 hours of the administration of any veterinary medicinal product to any animal and shall be in a permanent and legible form.”;
- (b) at the end of paragraph (2) there shall be added the following sentence—
- “Such record shall be made within 72 hours of the slaughter of any animal and shall be in a permanent and legible form.”.
5. In regulation 22(3) (application and modification of provisions of the Food Safety Act 1990) for the words “shall apply to these Regulations” there shall be substituted the words “shall apply for the purposes of these Regulations”.
6. At the end of the table in Schedule 1 (Maximum Residue Limits) there shall be added—

“(1) <i>Substance</i>	“(2) <i>Maximum residue limit</i>	“(3) <i>Part of the animal</i>	“(4) <i>Indicator residue</i>
Tylosin	100 µg/kg	Muscle	Tylosin
		Liver	
		Kidney	
Albendazole	100 µg/kg	Muscle	Sum of albendazole and metabolites which are measured as 2-
		Fat	

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(5) S.I. 1983/1732.

(6) OJ No. L270, 14.12.70, p.1.

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(1) <i>Substance</i>	(2) <i>Maximum residue limit</i>	(3) <i>Part of the animal</i>	(4) <i>Indicator residue</i>
Thiabendazole	500 µg/kg	Kidney	amino-benzimidazole sulphone  Sum of thiabendazole and 5-hydroxythiabendazole
	1000 µg/kg	Liver	
	100 µg/kg	Muscle	
		Liver	
Amitraz	50 µg/kg	Fat	Sum of amitraz and metabolites which are measured as 2,4-dimethylaniline
		Kidney	
	Muscle	200 µg/kg	
	Kidney		
Dicloxacillin	300 µg/kg	Liver	Dicloxacillin
		Muscle	
		Fat	
		Kidney	
Spiramycin	300 µg/kg	Liver	Spiramycin
	200 µg/kg	Kidney	
	50 µg/kg	Muscle”	

In witness whereof the Official Seal of the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food is hereunto affixed on 22nd March 1993

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*John Selwyn Gummer*  
Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Health

*Cumberlege*  
Parliamentary Under Secretary of State for  
Health

25th March 1993

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23rd March 1993

*Hector Monro*  
Parliamentary Under Secretary of State for  
Scotland

30th March 1993

*David Hunt*  
Secretary of State for Wales

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## EXPLANATORY NOTE

*(This note is not part of the Regulations)*

In addition to making some minor and drafting amendments, these Regulations amend the Animals, Meat and Meat Products (Examination for Residues and Maximum Residue Limits) Regulations 1991 by adding six substances to the list of substances in Schedule 1 in respect of which maximum residue limits are now prescribed (regulation 6). This gives effect to EC Council Regulation 2377/90 (OJNo. L224, 18.8.90, p. 1, as amended by Council Regulations 675/92 and 3093/92) laying down a Community procedure for the establishment of maximum residue limits of veterinary medicinal products in foodstuffs of animal origin. These Regulations now permit the administration to an animal of vaccines, toxins or serums for specified purposes (regulation 2(b)). The Regulations also require a record to be kept within 72 hours of the administration of a veterinary medicinal product to an animal or of the slaughter of an animal (regulation 4).