The Animal Feed (England) Regulations 2010

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The Secretary of State makes the following Regulations in exercise of the powers conferred on him by sections 66(1), 68(1), 74A(1), (2) and (4) and 84 of the Agriculture Act 1970(a), as read with regulation 14 of the Food Standards Act 1999 (Transitional and Consequential Provisions and Savings) (England and Wales) Regulations 2000(b).

In so far as these Regulations cannot be made under the powers in the Agriculture Act 1970 specified above, the Secretary of State makes these Regulations in exercise of his powers as a Minister designated for the purposes of section 2(2) of the European Communities Act 1972(c) in relation to the common agricultural policy of the European Community(d), measures in the veterinary and phytosanitary fields for the protection of public health(e) and measures relating to feed produced for or fed to food-producing animals(f), as read with paragraph 1A of Schedule 2 to that Act.

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(a) 1970 c.40. Section 66(1) contains definitions of the expressions “the Ministers”, “prescribed” and “regulations”. The definition of “the Ministers” was amended by the Transfer of Functions (Wales) (No. 1) Order 1978 (S.I. 1978/272), Schedule 5, paragraph 1. Functions of “the Ministers”, so far as exercisable in relation to Wales, were transferred to the National Assembly for Wales by S.I. 1999/672 and subsequently transferred to the Welsh Ministers by paragraph 30 of Schedule 11 to the Government of Wales Act 2006 (2006 c.32). Those functions, so far as exercisable in relation to Scotland, were transferred to the Scottish Ministers by section 53 of the Scotland Act 1998 (1998 c. 46). By virtue of S.I. 1999/3141, functions of the Secretaries of State for Wales and Scotland previously exercisable in relation to England ceased to be so exercisable and were transferred to the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food. Functions of the Minister of Agriculture were transferred to the Secretary of State by the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food (Dissolution) Order 2002 (S.I.2002/794). Section 74A was inserted by the European Communities Act 1972 (1972 c. 68), Schedule 4, paragraph 6. Sections 66(1) and 84 were amended by S.I. 2004/3254. Section 66(1) was also amended by S.I. 2010/2280.

(b) S.I. 2000/656.

(c) 1972 c.68. Paragraph 1A of Schedule 2 was inserted by section 28 of the Legislative and Regulatory Reform Act 2006 (2006 c.51) and amended by Part 1 of Schedule 1 to the European Union (Amendment) Act 2008 (2008 c.7).


(e) S.I. 1999/2027.

(f) S.I. 2003/2901.
These Regulations make provision for a purpose mentioned in section 2(2) of the European Communities Act 1972 and it appears to the Secretary of State that it is expedient for references to the Annexes to the EU instruments mentioned in regulation 2(3) to be construed as references to those Annexes as they may be amended from time to time.

There has been open and transparent public consultation during the preparation of these Regulations in accordance with the requirements of Article 9 of Regulation (EC) No. 178/2002 of the European Parliament and of the Council laying down the general principles and requirements of food law, establishing the European Food Safety Authority and laying down procedures in matters of food safety(a) or, in the case of provisions relating to feed for non food-producing animals, of section 84(1) of the Agriculture Act 1970.

PART 1
Introductory and general

Title, application and commencement

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Animal Feed (England) Regulations 2010, apply in relation to England only and come into force on 23rd November 2010.

Interpretation and scope

2.—(1) In these Regulations —
   “the Act” means the Agriculture Act 1970;
   “Directive 82/475” means Commission Directive 82/475/EEC laying down the categories of feed materials which may be used for the purposes of labelling compound feedingstuffs for pet animals(b);
   “Directive 2008/38” means Commission Directive 2008/38/EC establishing a list of intended uses of animal feedingstuffs for particular nutritional purposes(e);
   “Regulation 242/2010” means Commission Regulation (EU) No. 242/2010 creating the Catalogue of feed materials(g); and

(g) OJ No. L77, 24.3.2010, p.17.
“feed authority” means an authority identified in section 67(1) of the Act as having the duty to enforce Part IV of the Act within its area or district as the case may be.

(2) Any expression used in these Regulations and in Regulation 1831/2003 or Regulation 767/2009 has the meaning in these Regulations that it bears in the Regulation concerned.


(4) These Regulations do not apply to any feed additive in category (d) or (e) of Article 6(1) of Regulation 1831/2003, with the exception of those in the functional groups listed in paragraph 4(a), (b) and (c) of Annex 1 to that Regulation(a).

**PART 2**

Marketing and use of feed

**Interpretation of this Part and Schedule 1**

3. In this Part and in Schedule 1 any reference to a numbered Article or Annex is a reference to the Article or Annex so numbered in Regulation 767/2009.

**Enforcement of requirements of Regulation 767/2009**

4.—(1) Subject to the transitional provisions contained in Article 32, any person who contravenes or fails to comply with any provision of Regulation 767/2009 specified in Schedule 1 is guilty of an offence.

(2) Where, pursuant to Article 17(2)(c), the name of a specific feed material may be replaced by the name of the category to which the feed material belongs, only the categories listed in the Annex to Directive 82/475 may be indicated.

**Competent authorities for the purposes of Regulation 767/2009**

5.—(1) Each feed authority in its area or district as the case may be is the competent authority for the purposes of—

(a) Article 5(3), 13(1)(a) and 17(3) and Annex VII, Chapter 1, paragraph 8; and

(b) Article 13(1)(b) as the competent authority that may request scientific substantiation of a claim and to whose attention purchasers have the right to bring doubts regarding the truthfulness of a claim.

(2) The Food Standards Agency is the competent authority for the purposes of—

(a) Article 26(1)(b); and

(b) Article 13(1)(b) as the competent authority that may submit to the Commission doubts concerning the scientific substantiation of a claim.

(3) The Food Standards Agency and each feed authority in its area or district as the case may be is the competent authority for the purposes of Article 5(2).

(a) Categories (d) and (e) of Article 6(1) comprise respectively zootechnical additives, and coccidiostats and histomonostats. Functional groups listed in paragraphs 4(a), (b) and (c) of Annex I comprise preservatives, antioxidants and emulsifiers.
PART 3
Feed additives

Interpretation of this Part

6. In this Part any reference to a numbered Article is a reference to the Article so numbered in Regulation 1831/2003.

Enforcement of requirements of Regulation 1831/2003

7.—(1) Any person who contravenes or fails to comply with any provision specified in paragraph (2) is guilty of an offence.

(2) The provisions are —
(a) Article 3, paragraphs (1) to (4), (placing on the market, processing and use of feed additives), as read with Article 10 (status of existing products);
(b) Article 12 (post-authorisation monitoring); and
(c) Article 16, paragraphs (1) to (5), (labelling and packaging of additives and premixtures).

PART 4
Undesirable substances in feed

Interpretation of this Part

8. In this Part —
(a) any reference to a numbered Article or Annex is a reference to the Article or Annex so numbered in Directive 2002/32; and
(b) “undesirable substance” means any substance or product, not being a pathogenic agent, which is present in or on a feed and —
   (i) constitutes a potential danger to human or animal health or to the environment, or
   (ii) could adversely affect livestock production.

Control of animal feeds containing undesirable substances

9.—(1) Any person who —
(a) places on the market any feed that is specified in column 2 of Annex I; or
(b) uses any such feed,

is guilty of an offence if it contains any undesirable substance listed in column 1 of that Annex in excess of the relevant maximum content specified in column 3.

(2) Any person who places on the market or uses any complementary feed is guilty of an offence if —
(a) having regard to the quantity of it recommended for use in a daily ration, it contains any undesirable substance listed in column 1 of Annex I in excess of the maximum content specified for it in column 3 in relation to complete feeds; and
(b) there is no provision relating to any complementary feed in the corresponding entry in column 2 of that Annex.

(3) Any person who for the purpose of dilution mixes any feed with a feed that is specified in column 2 of Annex I and which contains any undesirable substance listed in column 1 of that Annex in excess of the maximum content specified for it in column 3 is guilty of an offence.
(4) Any person who places on the market or uses any feed which is not sound and genuine and of merchantable quality is guilty of an offence.

(5) For the purposes of paragraph (4) a feed listed in column 2 of Annex I is not sound, genuine and of merchantable quality if it contains any undesirable substance specified in column 1 of that Annex in excess of the maximum content specified in relation to it in column 3.

(6) Any person who has, for the purpose of a trade or business, possession or control of any of the feeds specified in paragraph (7) shall, if required by an inspector, procure and produce to the inspector an analysis in order to demonstrate that the content of inorganic arsenic in the feed specified in that paragraph is less than 2 parts per million.

(7) The feeds are —
   (a) palm kernel expeller;
   (b) feeds obtained from the processing of fish and other marine animals;
   (c) seaweed meal and feed materials derived from seaweed; and
   (d) complete feeds for fish or for fur-producing animals.

(8) Any person who, without reasonable excuse, fails to comply with a requirement made under paragraph (6) is guilty of an offence.

PART 5

Feeds for particular nutritional purposes

Interpretation of this Part


Control of feed intended for particular nutritional purposes

11.—(1) Any person who places on the market a feed intended for a particular nutritional purpose is guilty of an offence if the relevant requirements of paragraphs (2) to (9) are not met.

(2) In relation to any particular nutritional purpose specified in column 1 of the Annex —
   (a) the feed must be intended for the animals specified opposite that particular nutritional purpose in column 3 of the Annex; and
   (b) it must be recommended that the feed be used for a period of time falling within the range specified opposite that particular nutritional purpose in column 5 of the Annex.

(3) Where a group of additives is specified in column 2 or 4 of the Annex, the additive(s) used must be authorised as corresponding to the specified essential characteristic.

(4) Where the source of ingredients or analytical constituents is required in column 4 of the Annex, the manufacturer must make a precise declaration (for example the specific name of the ingredient, the animal species or the part of the animal) allowing the evaluation of conformity of the feed with the corresponding essential nutritional characteristics.

(5) Where the declaration of a substance that is also authorised as an additive is required in column 4 of the Annex and is accompanied by the expression “total”, the declared content must refer to the quantity naturally present where none is added or, as appropriate, the total quantity of the substance naturally present and the amount added as an additive.

(6) The declarations specified in column 4 of the Annex with the reference “if added” must be provided where the ingredient or the additive has been incorporated or increased specifically to enable the achievement of the particular nutritional purpose.

(7) The declarations to be given in accordance with column 4 of the Annex concerning analytical constituents and additives must be quantitative.
Where a feed is intended to meet more than one particular nutritional purpose, it must comply with the corresponding entries in the Annex.

In the case of a complementary feed intended for a particular nutritional purpose, guidance on the balance of the daily ration must be provided in the instructions for use on the label.

PART 6
Administration and enforcement

Penalties for offences under these Regulations

12.—(1) Any person found guilty of an offence under regulation 4(1), 7(1) or 9(1), (2), (3) or (4) or 11(1) is liable —

(a) on summary conviction, to a term of imprisonment not exceeding three months or to a fine not exceeding the statutory maximum, or both; or

(b) on conviction on indictment, to a term of imprisonment not exceeding three months or to a fine, or both.

(2) Any person found guilty of an offence under regulation 9(8) is liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding level 3 on the standard scale.

Duties to enforce

13. It is the duty of each feed authority within its area or district as the case may be to execute and enforce the provisions of these Regulations.

PART 7
Amendments and modifications of the Agriculture Act 1970

Amendments and modifications of the Agriculture Act 1970

14.—(1) The Act is amended or modified, as the case may be, in accordance with paragraphs (2) to (9).

(2) In section 66 (interpretation of Part IV) —

(a) in subsection (1), after the definition of Regulation (EC) No 178/2002 insert the following definitions —


and

(b) for subsection (2) substitute the following —

“(2) For the purposes of this Part of this Act material shall be treated as sold for use as a fertiliser or feeding stuff whether it is sold to be so used by itself or as an ingredient in something which is to be so used.”.

(3) In section 68 (duty of seller to give statutory statement) —

(a) after subsection (5) insert the following subsection —
“(5A) Nothing in subsections (1) to (5) applies to anyone to whom the requirements of Article 16 of Regulation (EC) No 1831/2003 (labelling and packaging of feed additives and premixtures) or of Chapter 4 of Regulation (EC) No 767/2009 (labelling, presentation and packaging) apply.”;
(b) after subsection (6) add the following subsection —
“(7) Failure to comply with the labelling requirements of Article 16 of Regulation (EC) No 1831/2003 or of Chapter 4 of Regulation (EC) No 767/2009 shall not invalidate a contract of sale, but such labelling shall, regardless of any contract or notice to the contrary, have effect as a warranty by the person who gives it that the particulars contained in it are correct.”.

(4) In section 69 (marking of material prepared for sale), in subsection (1) omit the words “or feeding stuff”.

(5) In section 70 (use of names or expressions with prescribed meanings) —
(a) subsection (1)(a) in so far as it applies in relation to feeding stuffs shall apply as if the expression “under Regulation (EC) No 767/2009” were substituted for the expression “by regulations made for the purposes of this section”; and
(b) after subsection (5) add the following subsection —
“(6) Nothing in subsections (2) to (4) of this section shall apply to anyone to whom the labelling requirements of Regulation (EC) No 767/2009 apply.”.

(6) In section 71 (particulars to be given of certain attributes if claimed to be present) —
(a) subsection (4) in so far as it applies in relation to feeding stuffs shall apply as if —
(i) the expression “the requirements of Article 13 of Regulation (EC) No 767/2009” were substituted for the expression “subsection (1) of this section”; and
(ii) “that Article” were substituted for “that subsection”;
(b) after subsection (5) add the following subsection —
“(6) Nothing in subsections (1) to (3) of this section shall apply to anyone to whom Article 13 (claims) of Regulation (EC) No 767/2009 applies.”.

(7) Sections 73 and 73A shall cease to have effect.

(8) In section 74 (limits of variation) after subsection (2) add the following subsection —
“(3) Nothing in subsection (2) shall apply to anyone to whom Article 11.5 and Annex IV (permitted tolerances) of Regulation (EC) No 767/2009 applies.”.

(9) In section 74A, subsection (3) shall not apply to regulations concerning feed.

PART 8

Amendments to Regulations

Amendment of the Feed (Hygiene and Enforcement) (England) Regulations 2005

15.—(1) The Feed (Hygiene and Enforcement) (England) Regulations 2005(a) are amended in accordance with paragraphs (2) to (6).

(2) In paragraph (1) of regulation 2 (interpretation) —
(a) after the definition of “agricultural analyst” insert the following definition —
““the Animal Feed Regulations” means the Animal Feed (England) Regulations 2010;”
; and
(b) after the definition of “Regulation 183/2005” insert the following definition —


(3) In paragraph (2)(b) of regulation 15 (offences, penalties and enforcement) omit the expression “food-producing”.

(4) For paragraph (13) of regulation 24 (powers of entry for authorised officers) substitute the following paragraph —

“(13) In this regulation —

(a) “compound feeding stuff” bears the same meaning as “compound feed” as defined in Article 3(1)(h) of Regulation 767/2009; and

(b) “feeding stuff which is intended for a particular nutritional purpose” bears the same meaning as “feed intended for particular nutritional purposes” as defined in Article 3(1)(o) of that Regulation.”.

(5) In each of regulations 35(1) and (2), 36(1) and (3) and 37(1) and (2) after the words “these Regulations” insert “or the Animal Feed Regulations”.

(6) In Schedule 1 (specified feed law) —

(a) for the expression “The Feeding Stuffs (England) 2005” substitute “The Animal Feed (England) Regulations 2010”; and

(b) add at the end “Regulation (EC) No 767/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council on the placing on the market and use of feed”.

Amendment of the Official Feed and Food Controls (England) Regulations 2009

16.—(1) The Official Feed and Food Controls (England) Regulations 2009(a) are amended in accordance with paragraph (2).

(2) In paragraph (f) of Schedule 2 (definition of relevant feed law), for the expression “the Feeding Stuffs (England) Regulations 2005” substitute “the Animal Feed (England) Regulations 2010”.

Revocations

17. The Regulations or parts of them listed in Schedule 2 are revoked.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Health

Anne Milton
Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State,
Department of Health

13th October 2010

(a) S.I. 2009/3255, as amended by S.I. 2010/2280.
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SCHEDULE 2
Revocations


4. Regulation 2 of and the Schedules to the Feed (Specified Undesirable Substances) (England) Regulations 2006(d).

5. The Feed (Specified Undesirable Substances) (England) Regulations 2007(e).


8. The Feed (Specified Undesirable Substances) (England) Regulations 2009(h).

9. Regulations 11, 14, 15 and 25 of, and Schedule 2 to, the Feed (Sampling and Analysis and Specified Undesirable Substances) (England) Regulations 2010(i).

(a) S.I. 2005/3281.
(b) S.I. 2006/113.
(c) S.I. 2006/2808.
(d) S.I. 2006/3120.
(e) S.I. 2007/3008.
(f) S.I. 2008/1523.
(g) S.I. 2009/28.
(h) S.I. 2009/2825.
(i) S.I. 2010/2280.
EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

1. These Regulations, which apply in relation to England only —
   (a) revoke the Feeding Stuffs (England) Regulations 2005 as amended and re-enact certain of their provisions;
   (b) provide for the execution and enforcement of the comprehensive new EU Regulation on the marketing and use of feed detailed in paragraph 2, and for the continuing enforcement of the EU Regulation on feed additives mentioned in paragraph 3;
   (c) maintain the implementation of EU Directives concerning dietetic feeds and contaminants in feed;
   (d) prescribe offences and penalties for breaches of the Regulations;
   (e) make amendments and modifications to Part IV of the Agriculture Act 1970; and
   (f) amend certain other Regulations.


4. In Part 4, the Regulations implement Directive 2002/32/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council on undesirable substances in animal feed (OJ No. L140, 30.5.2002, p.10) (regulations 8 and 9). Directive 2002/32 has already been amended a number of times, and any reference to an Annex to this Directive is a reference to that Annex as it may be further amended from time to time (regulation 2(3)).

5. In Part 5, the Regulations implement Commission Directive 2008/38/EC establishing a list of intended uses of animal feedingstuffs for particular nutritional purposes (OJ No. L62, 6.3.2008, p.9), (regulations 10 and 11). Any reference to an Annex to this Directive is a reference to that Annex as it may be amended from time to time (regulation 2(3)).

6. Part 6 of these Regulations makes provision for a breach of specified requirements to constitute an offence, sets out the maximum penalty applicable on conviction for such an offence and fixes local feed authorities with the duty to enforce these Regulations and the EU Regulations mentioned above (regulations 12 and 13).

7. In Part 7, the Regulations make amendments or modifications to the Agriculture Act 1970 where the relevant sections of the Act would otherwise duplicate, gloss or be incompatible with provisions of Regulation 767/2009 (regulation 14).

9. A full impact assessment of the effect that this instrument will have on the costs of business and the voluntary sector is available from the Animal Feed Branch of the Food Standards Agency, Aviation House, 125 Kingsway, London WC2B 6NH and is annexed to the Explanatory Memorandum which is available alongside the instrument on the OPSI website.
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