STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

# 2011 No. 1116

# MEDICINES

## The Veterinary Medicines (Amendment) Regulations 2011

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The Secretary of State is a Minister designated(**1**) for the purposes of making Regulations under section 2(2) of the European Communities Act 1972(**2**) in relation to measures in the veterinary and phytosanitary fields for the protection of public health.

The Secretary of State is of the opinion that, in view of the urgency of the matter, consultation is not required by Article 9 of Regulation (EC) No 178/2002 of the European Parliament and of the Council laying down the general principles of food law, establishing the European Food Safety Authority and laying down procedures in matters of food safety(**3**).

The Secretary of State makes these Regulations in exercise of the powers conferred by section 2(2) of the European Communities Act 1972.

### Title and commencement

**1.** These Regulations may be cited as the Veterinary Medicines (Amendment) Regulations 2011 and come into force on 5th May 2011.

### Amendment to the Veterinary Medicines Regulations 2009

**2.**—(1) The Veterinary Medicines Regulations 2009(**4**) are amended in Part 1 of Schedule 3 as follows.

(2) In paragraph 4, for sub-paragraph (2), substitute—

"(2) This does not apply in relation to the administration of such a product to a wild animal where the administration is authorised by the Secretary of State.".

(**1**) S.I. 1999/2027.
(**2**) 1972 c. 68.
(**3**) OJ No L31, 1.2.2002, p. 1.
(**4**) S.I. 2009/2297, to which there is an amendment not relevant to these Regulations.

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9th April 2011

## EXPLANATORY NOTE

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

These Regulations amend the Veterinary Medicines Regulations 2009 (S.I. 2009/2297). Certain veterinary medicinal products may be administered to wild animals without the animal being under the care of a veterinary surgeon and without that veterinary surgeon having carried out a clinical assessment, where that administration is authorised by the Secretary of State. The amendment enables the administration of such products not only (as is permitted at present) for the purposes of the treatment of the animal, but also in other circumstances (for example, where the animal's condition is such that there is no expectation of its recovery or improvement).

An Impact Assessment has not been produced in respect of these Regulations as they have no impact on the costs of business or the voluntary sector.