STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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The Diseases of Swine Regulations 2014

PART 5

Suspicion and confirmation of disease in feral pigs

Measures on suspicion of disease in feral pigs

20.—(1) Where it is suspected that a feral pig is infected with disease—

- (a) a veterinary inspector must take all reasonable steps to establish whether or not that suspicion is correct; and
- (b) the appropriate authority must make available information regarding the suspicion to keepers and to hunters believed to be operating in the area exposed to the risk of spread of disease.
- (2) Where it is suspected that a feral pig is infected with disease a veterinary inspector must—
 - (a) carry out investigations of any feral pigs shot or found dead in the area believed to be exposed to the risk of spread of disease; and
 - (b) produce a report that assesses the disease situation in feral pigs.

(3) Following the suspicion of disease in a feral pig the appropriate authority may declare a feral pig investigation zone and apply some or all of the Schedule 2 measures.