

SCHEDULE

PART I

REQUIREMENTS TO BE MET BY A BREEDING ISOLATION FACILITY

1. The isolation facility shall be used solely for the purpose of isolating the animals therein from all other animals on the premises where it is located.

2. The isolation facility must be designed so as to ensure physical separation at all times between the animals being kept therein and any other animals on the premises or any other adjoining premises and in particular must consist of—

- (a) a separate building used solely for the purposes of isolating animals from any other animals also kept on the premises;
- (b) part of a building used solely for such purposes and divided from floor to ceiling from any other part of the building by a solid partition or an adequate temporary structure (which, subject to paragraph 3, may be comprised of bales of straw) designed in each case to ensure that—
 - (i) there is no appreciable flow of air between the breeding isolation facility and any other part of the building; and
 - (ii) there is no possibility of seepage of any effluent, manure or other discharge through or under the partition or other temporary structure; or
- (c) a separate pasture surrounded by a secure stockproof fence (which may include electrified fencing) or other barrier at least 50 metres in distance from any other pasture or building where animals are grazed or kept with further secure stockproof fences or other barriers being erected elsewhere on the premises where this is necessary to prevent those other animals coming within 50 metres of the isolation facility.

3. Where a temporary structure comprised of bales of straw is used to partition part of a building used for an isolation facility from any other part of the building not being so used, the partition shall be of at least one metre in thickness.

4. Where a building or part of a building is used for the isolation facility, no animal not being kept in the facility shall be permitted at any time to come within 5 metres of any door or other access to the facility.

5. All doors providing access to any building or part of a building used for the isolation facility shall be kept closed at all times except when being used by persons to enter or leave the facility or when animals are being moved into or out of the facility.

6. The floors and walls of any building or part of a building used for the isolation facility shall be complete and in a sufficiently good condition to be capable of being thoroughly cleansed and disinfected and they shall at all times be kept and maintained in such a condition.

7. Where a building or part of a building is used for the isolation facility then either—

- (a) the building shall be so designed and maintained as to ensure that any effluent, manure or other discharges from the animals housed therein can be retained in the building until after all animals have been removed from the facility; or
- (b) adequate arrangements shall be made to ensure that any such discharges at no point come into contact with any animal not being housed in the facility.

8. The isolation facility shall be provided with a dedicated loading and unloading facility which shall be thoroughly cleansed and disinfected using an approved disinfectant after every use.

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- 9.** The occupier of the premises in which the isolation facility is located shall ensure that—
- (a) overall clothing and footwear is provided for the use of anyone working in the facility and for any other persons entering the facility; and
 - (b) such clothing is thoroughly laundered before being allowed to come into contact with any animals not in the facility or being used anywhere other than in the facility and such footwear is thoroughly disinfected by any person wearing it on leaving the facility;
- 10.** The occupier of the premises in which the isolation facility is located shall—
- (a) maintain—
 - (i) a footbath containing an approved disinfectant; and
 - (ii) handwashing facilities,at convenient places at every entrance to and exit from the facility and shall renew the disinfectant in the footbath daily or more frequently as necessary to maintain a clean solution; and
 - (b) ensure that the footbath and handwashing facilities are used by all persons on entering and leaving the facility.
- 11.** Any straw bales used as partitions in the isolation facility and any unused feeding stuffs, fodder or bedding in place there when any batch of animals enter the facility may not be removed from the facility until that batch of animals has left the facility.
- 12.** No pens, hurdles or other equipment in place when any batch of animals enter the isolation facility may be removed from the facility until that batch has left the facility unless they are first thoroughly cleansed and disinfected.
- 13.** Before any vehicle which has been used for any purpose in the isolation facility is moved out of the facility, it shall be thoroughly cleansed and disinfected in accordance with the requirements of Schedule 1 to the Transport of Animals (Cleansing and Disinfection) (Wales) Order 2001⁽¹⁾ and in addition, at the exit to the facility, the whole circumference of the tyres of any such vehicle (including their treads) together with its wheel arches, mudguards, and mudflaps shall be cleansed and disinfected.
- 14.** Sufficient facilities are available either within or immediately outside the isolation facility for animals to be inspected or examined pursuant to the requirements of paragraphs (3)(g)(vi) or (3)(h)(v) of article 3 without those animals coming within 5 metres of any other animals not being kept in the isolation facility.
- 15.** The occupier of the premises on which the isolation facility is situated shall ensure that a written record is maintained and made available on demand to an inspector showing the dates of all movements of animals into and out of the isolation facility together with details of—
- (a) the S Mark or individual identification numbers of any rams so moved;
 - (b) the S Mark or individual identification numbers, if any, of any ewes so moved, or, if no S tag or individual identification number has been applied to any ewe details of the paint mark applied to it pursuant to article 3(3)(g)(iii)(bb);
 - (c) any other identification marking or tag applied to any sheep pursuant to the Sheep and Goats Identification and Movement (Interim Measures) (Wales) (No. 2) Order 2002;
 - (d) details of any markings or tags applied to any cattle so moved in accordance with the Cattle Identification Regulations; and
 - (e) details of the lot numbers of any animals bought at a market.

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16. No animal may be moved out of the isolation facility during the period in which it is required to be kept there pursuant to sub-paragraphs (3)(g) or (h) of article 3 unless—

- (a) it is being moved, in accordance with a licence issued by a veterinary inspector, to another isolation facility on the same premises in respect of which all the requirements specified in article 3(8) are met and observed;
- (b) it is a lactating cow which it is not reasonably practicable to milk in the isolation facility and which is being moved to a milking parlour to be milked in accordance with the conditions set out in paragraph 17; or
- (c) this is for the purposes of inspection or examination pursuant to paragraphs (3)(g)(vi) or (3)(h)(v) of article 3 and no animal not being kept in the isolation facility is allowed to come within 5 metres of the animal being so inspected or examined.

17. The conditions referred to in paragraph 16(b) are that—

- (a) any cow being brought to the milking parlour from the isolation facility must be brought there after the milking session for cows not from the facility has been completed and after those other cows have been returned to their accommodation or pasture;
- (b) at all times a separation distance of 5 metres is maintained between the cow from the isolation facility and any other animal not being kept in that facility;
- (c) the milking parlour and any yard or collecting area used in connection with it must be thoroughly washed down after the cow from the isolation facility has returned there and before any other animals are allowed to enter any such parlour, yard or collecting area;
- (d) immediately after use by the cow from the isolation facility and before being used for any cow not from that facility any utensils used for milking, any mechanical milking equipment and any containers which come into contact with milk shall be cleaned and rinsed with potable water; and
- (e) any cow brought to the milking parlour from the facility for milking must be returned to the facility immediately after milking has been completed.