
EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order revokes and remakes the Diseases of Animals (Approved Disinfectants) Order 1978 (S.I.1978/32).

Article 3 provides that a manufacturer of a disinfectant may apply to the Welsh Ministers to have that disinfectant approved for use when an order under the Animal Health Act 1981 (c. 22) specifies that an approved disinfectant must be used. Article 4 provides that an approved disinfectant may only be used in accordance with the conditions of the approval or as directed by an inspector.

Article 5 provides that an approval lasts for two years but may be renewed. Article 6 provides that the Welsh Ministers may amend, suspend or revoke an approval or refuse to renew an approval. Article 7 provides a procedure for a manufacturer to make representations against any such amendment, suspension or revocation or a refusal.

Article 8 provides that a manufacturer or supplier must take reasonable steps to notify any person in the United Kingdom to whom he or she has supplied a disinfectant in the previous 6 months if its approval has been amended, suspended or revoked, or if a renewal of the approval has been refused.

Article 9 prohibits the placing of any disinfectant on the market that is labelled or otherwise represented as an approved disinfectant if it is not approved under this Order or if the formula for it has changed since approval was granted.

Article 11 provides that the Welsh Ministers may at any time require information about a disinfectant, or samples of that disinfectant, to be provided to them.

The Order is enforced by the local authority (article 12). Breach of the Order is an offence under section 73 of the Animal Health Act 1981, punishable in accordance with section 75 of that Act.

A Regulatory Impact Assessment has been produced for this instrument. Copies are available from the Office of the Chief Veterinary Officer, Welsh Assembly Government, Cathays Park, Cardiff CF10 3NQ.

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