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SCHEDULES

SCHEDULE 1

Section 14(1)(a).

OPERATIONS WHICH MAY BE PERFORMED WITHOUT AN ANAESTHETIC

- 1 Any experiment duly authorised under^[F1] the Animals (Scientific Procedures) Act 1986].

Annotations:

F1 1986 c.14

- 2 The making of injections or extractions by means of a hollow needle.
- 3 The rendering in emergency of first aid for the purpose of saving life or relieving pain.
- 4 Any minor operation performed by a veterinary surgeon, being an operation which by reason of its quickness or painlessness is customarily so performed without the use of an anaesthetic.
- 5 Any minor operation, whether performed by a veterinary surgeon or by some other person, being an operation which is not customarily performed only by such a surgeon.
- 6 Tail docking—
- (i) in the case of dogs, before their eyes are open;
 - (ii) in the case of pigs, before the^[F2] eighth day] of life;
 - (iii) in the case of lambs either—
 - (a) by the application of a rubber ring or other constricting device before the second week of life; or
 - (b) by any other means before the age of three months.

Annotations:

F2 SR 1983/309

- 7 Castration—
- (i) by the application of a rubber ring or other constricting device to a calf, goat, pig or lamb before the second week of life;
 - ^[F3](ii) by any other means—
 - (a) in the case of a calf or goat, before the age of two months;
 - ^[F4](b) in the case of a pig, before the age of eight days; and]
 - (c) in the case of a lamb, before the age of three months.]

Annotations:

F3 SR 1995/173

F4 SR 2003/380

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[^{F5}8 The disbudding of calves by chemical cauterisation applied before the second week of life.]

Annotations:

F5 SR 1996/514

9 The amputation of the dew claws of a dog before its eyes are open.

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