
STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

1997 No. 551

Specified Risk Material Order (Northern Ireland) 1997

Interpretation

2.—(1) In this Order—

“the 1981 Order” means the Diseases of Animals (Northern Ireland) Order 1981;

“appropriate veterinary authority” means the central authority of a territory empowered to carry out veterinary checks, or any authority in that territory to which it has delegated such powers;

“class I specified risk material” means—

- (a) class I specified bovine material; and
- (b) class I specified sheep or goat material,

but does not include material derived from animals which—

- (i) were slaughtered or died outside the United Kingdom before 1st January 1998; or
- (ii) were born, reared and slaughtered in Australia or New Zealand;

“class II specified risk material” means—

- (a) class II specified bovine material;
- (b) class II specified sheep or goat material;
- (c) any part of a ruminant animal remaining attached to class I or II specified bovine material or class I or II specified sheep or goat material after dissection of the carcase;
- (d) any animal material which comes into contact with class I or II specified bovine material or class I or class II specified sheep or goat material after it has been removed from the carcase of a ruminant animal; and
- (e) specified solid waste;

“creature” means any animal or bird;

“feedingstuff” has the meaning given to it by section 66(1) of the Agriculture Act 1970(1), save that it shall apply to products and substances for oral feeding to any creature, and section 66(2) (b) of that Act shall have effect for the purposes of this Order as it does for the purposes of that Act;

“food” has the same meaning as in the Food Safety (Northern Ireland) Order 1991(2);

“intestines” means that part of the digestive tract of a bovine animal from the junction of the abomasum and the duodenum to (and including) the rectum and anal sphincter;

“licensed premises” means premises licensed for the purposes of Article 10;

“ruminant animal” means any bovine animal, sheep or goat;

“specified bovine material” means class I or class II specified bovine material;

(1) 1970 c. 40; the definition of “feeding stuff” in section 66(1), and the provisions of section 66(2) were substituted by regulation 20(1) of the Feeding Stuffs Regulations 1995 (S.I.1995/1412)

(2) S.I. 1991/762 (N.I. 7) as amended by S.I. 1996/1663 (N.I. 12)

“specified risk material” means class I or class II specified risk material;

“specified sheep or goat material” means class I or class II specified sheep or goat material;

“specified solid waste” means any solid matter resulting from the slaughter of ruminant animals, or from the subsequent processing of their carcasses, which is collected in any part of the drainage system draining any place where specified bovine or sheep or goat material is handled; and

“UK specified risk material” means specified risk material derived from a ruminant animal which has died or was slaughtered in the United Kingdom.

(2) For the purposes of this Order the supply of specified risk material, feedingstuffs or cosmetic, pharmaceutical or medical products otherwise than by sale at, in or from any place where specified risk material, feedingstuffs or cosmetic, pharmaceutical or medical products are supplied in the course of a business, shall be deemed to be a sale, and “sell” includes have in possession for or offer or expose for sale.

(3) For the purposes of this Order material shall be treated as a cosmetic, pharmaceutical or medical product whether it is used or intended for use as such by itself or as an ingredient or additive in something which is so used or intended for such use.

(4) For the purposes of the 1981 Order in its application to this Order:—

(a) the list of animals in Part I of Schedule 1 to the 1981 Order is hereby extended so as to comprise—

- (i) any kind of mammal except man;
- (ii) any kind of four-footed beast which is not a mammal;
- (iii) fish and invertebrates; and

(b) the list of poultry in Part II of Schedule 1 to the 1981 Order is hereby extended so as to comprise birds of any species.