

Schedule

Tuberculosis (Examination and Testing) Scheme (Northern Ireland) 1999

Examination and official tests

2.—(1) The Department may for the purposes of this Scheme require an authorised officer to carry out such examinations or tests as it may determine in relation to any bovine animals or herd kept on such holding or holdings as it may determine and upon being so required that officer—

- (a) shall examine or carry out those examinations and tests on such bovine animals kept on the holding or holdings as the Department may require;
- (b) may carry out those examinations and tests on such other animals or such carcasses on the holding as he may think fit; and
- (c) may carry out such further examinations or tests and may take such further steps as he thinks fit to establish whether any animal on the holding is affected with disease.

(2) An authorised officer who carries out an official test on an animal or a carcass shall forward a report on the result of that test, and such other information as the Department may require, to the Divisional Veterinary Officer within such time as the Department may require.

(3) Where an authorised officer has submitted a report to a Divisional Veterinary Officer under sub-paragraph (2) that report shall contain the name and address of the keeper of the animal, herd or carcass to which the report relates.

(4) Where a report has been submitted to him under sub-paragraph (2), the Divisional Veterinary Officer shall, if he knows or suspects that any bovine animal or herd to which the report relates is affected with tuberculosis, notify the owner of that animal of the fact.