STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

2001 No. 204

Import and Export Restrictions (Foot-and-Mouth Disease) (No. 2) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2001

Export of fresh meat

4.—(1) A person shall not export any fresh meat of animals of the bovine, ovine, caprine or porcine species or other biungulate.

(2) In paragraph (1), the reference to "fresh meat" includes minced meat and meat preparations to which Council Directive 94/65/EC(1) applies.

- (3) The prohibition in paragraph (1) shall not apply in relation to—
 - (a) fresh meat, minced meat or meat preparations obtained before 1st February 2001, provided that the meat, minced meat or meat preparation is clearly identified and since that date has been transported and stored separately from meat, minced meat or meat preparation which is not destined for dispatch outside the United Kingdom; or
 - (b) fresh meat obtained from cutting plants under the following conditions-
 - (i) the only meat processed in the establishment is fresh meat described in subparagraph (a); fresh meat from animals reared and slaughtered outside the United Kingdom;
 - (ii) all the meat must bear the health mark in accordance with Chapter XI of Annex I to Council Directive 64/433/EEC (on health problems affecting the production and marketing of meat products and certain other products of animal origin(2));
 - (iii) the plant is operated under strict veterinary control; and
 - (iv) the meat is clearly identified and transported and stored separately from meat which is not destined for export.
 - (c) minced meat and meat preparations obtained from establishments approved under the Minced Meat and Meat Preparations (Hygiene) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1997(3) under the following conditions-
 - (i) the only meat processed in the establishment is fresh meat described in subparagraph (a) or fresh meat from animals reared and slaughtered outside the United Kingdom;
 - (ii) all the minced meat and meat preparations must bear the health mark in accordance with Chapter VI of Annex 1 to Council Directive 94/65/EC (laying down the requirements for the production and placing on the market of minced meat and meat preparations).
 - (iii) the plant is operated under strict veterinary control; and

⁽¹⁾ O.J. No. L368, 31.12.94, p. 10

O.J. No. 121, 27.9.1964, p. 2012/64; Directive updated by Directive 91/497/EEC (O.J. No. L268, 24.9.1991, p. 69) as last amended by Directive 95/23/EC (O.J. No. L243, 11.10.1995, p. 7)

⁽³⁾ S.R. 1997 No. 495 as amended by S.R. 2000 No.78 and 2000 No. 191

(iv) the meat, minced meat and meat preparations are clearly identified and transported and stored separately from meat, minced meat and meat preparations which are not destined for export.

(4) Meat, minced meat or meat preparations consigned to a member State under paragraph (2) shall be accompanied by an official certificate prepared by the Department and signed by a person appointed as an officer of the kind specified in the certificate which bears the following words—

"Meat conforming to Commission Decision 2001/172/EC of 1st March 2001 concerning certain protection measures with regard to foot-and-mouth disease in the United Kingdom".