

## SCHEDULE 3

### ADDITIONAL PROVISIONS RELATING TO WORK WITH BIOLOGICAL AGENTS

#### PART I

##### provisions of general application to biological agents

###### **Notification of the consignment of biological agents**

6.—(1) An employer shall not consign a Group 4 biological agent or anything containing, or suspected of containing, such an agent to any other premises, whether or not those premises are under his ownership or control, unless he has notified the Executive in writing of his intention to do so at least 30 days in advance or before such shorter time as the Executive may approve and with that notification has furnished the particulars specified in sub-paragraph (4).

(2) Sub-paragraph (1) shall not apply where—

- (a) the biological agent or material containing or suspected of containing such an agent is being consigned solely for the purpose of diagnosis;
- (b) material containing or suspected of containing the biological agent is being consigned solely for the purpose of disposal; or
- (c) the biological agent is or is suspected of being present in a human patient or animal which is being transported for the purpose of medical treatment.

(3) Where a Group 4 biological agent is imported into Northern Ireland, the consignee shall give the notice required by sub-paragraph (1).

(4) The particulars to be included in the notification referred to in sub-paragraph (1) shall be—

- (a) the identity of the biological agent and the volume of the consignment;
- (b) the name of the consignor;
- (c) the address of the premises from which it will be transported;
- (d) the name of the consignee;
- (e) the address of the premises to which it shall be transported;
- (f) the name of the transport operator responsible for the transportation;
- (g) the name of any individual who will accompany the consignment;
- (h) the method of transportation;
- (i) the packaging and any containment precautions which will be taken;
- (j) the route which will be taken; and
- (k) the proposed date of transportation.