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DISEASES OF ANIMALS**Importation of Semen**

ORDER, DATED 2ND JANUARY 1973, MADE BY THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE UNDER SECTIONS 18 AND 53 OF THE DISEASES OF ANIMALS ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND) 1958.

The Ministry of Agriculture, on behalf of the Secretary of State and in exercise of the powers conferred on it by sections 18 and 53 of the Diseases of Animals Act (Northern Ireland) 1958(a) and of every other power enabling it in that behalf hereby makes the following Order:—

Citation and commencement

1. This Order may be cited as the Diseases of Animals (Importation of Semen) Order (Northern Ireland) 1973 and shall come into operation on the 15th day of January 1973.

Interpretation

2. In this Order—

“semen” means animal or poultry semen other than the semen of a bull or boar.

Restriction on importation

3. No person shall bring or cause to be brought into Northern Ireland from any country outside Northern Ireland any semen except under the authority of and in accordance with the conditions of a licence issued by the Ministry.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Ministry of Agriculture for Northern Ireland this 2nd day of January 1973.

(L.S.)

W. H. Jack,
Assistant Secretary.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order, but is intended to indicate its general purport.)

This Order prohibits the landing in Northern Ireland of animal and poultry semen (other than bull and boar semen) except under the authority of a licence issued by the Ministry.

The restriction is imposed as a precaution against the introduction and spread of animal and poultry diseases.

The importation of bull and boar semen is controlled by Regulations made under the Artificial Insemination of Animals Act (Northern Ireland) 1947.