

Executive Note

The Cattle Identification (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2007 SSI/2007/312

The above instrument was made in exercise of the powers conferred by section 2(2) of the European Communities Act 1972. The instrument is subject to negative resolution procedure.

Policy Objective

The purpose of this instrument is to amend and clarify the Cattle Identification (Scotland) Regulations 2007 (“the principal Regulations”), which provide for cattle identification and tracing. This instrument amends the principal Regulations but does not alter the principle requirements of tagging and notification and recording of information relating to animals.

It provides that it is an offence for keepers to fail to notify the competent authority that they are the keeper of animals or that they no longer keep animals.

It provides that it is an offence for keepers to fail to comply with notices served upon them relating to movement restrictions and compulsory slaughter of animals.

It clarifies that all movements on to and off the holding must be notified to the competent authority within 3 days of the event.

It clarifies the offence provisions relating to replacement cattle passports.

It amends the principal Regulations to now make it an offence to alter or misuse all types of identification and tracing documents.

Financial Effects

This instrument has no financial effects on the Scottish Executive, local government or on business.

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