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ANIMALS

The Non-Commercial Movement of Pet Animals (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2022

Made - - - at 1.30 p.m. on 8th April 2022

Laid before the Scottish Parliament at 3.45 p.m. on 8th April 2022

Coming into force - - 9th April 2022

The Scottish Ministers make the following Regulations in exercise of the powers conferred by Articles 38 and 39(6) of Regulation (EU) 576/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council on the non-commercial movement of pet animals(a) and all other powers enabling them to do so.

In accordance with Article 39(7) of that Regulation they have consulted such bodies or persons as appear to them to be representative of the interests likely to be substantially affected by the Regulations, and such other bodies or persons as they considered appropriate.

Citation and commencement

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Non-Commercial Movement of Pet Animals (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2022 and come into force on 9 April 2022.

Amendment of Annex 4 to Regulation (EU) 576/2013

- **2.** Annex 4 (validity requirements for the rabies antibody titration test) to Regulation (EU) 576/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council on the non-commercial movement of pet animals(**b**) is amended as follows—
 - (a) at the start of point 2(b) insert "except where point 2A applies,",

⁽a) EUR 2013/576. Article 38 was amended and Article 39 substituted by S.I. 2020/1463. The Scottish Ministers are the appropriate authority in relation to Scotland by virtue of Article 3A(1).

⁽**b**) Annex 4 was amended by S.I. 2020/1388.

(b) after point 2 insert—

"2A. This point applies where, before 1 October 2022, the Scottish Ministers have administered a test which measures a level of antibody to rabies virus in serum equal to or greater than 0.3 EU/ml using an enzyme linked immunosorbent assay method that meets the validation standards set out in Chapter 1.1.6 of the Manual of Diagnostic Tests and Vaccines for Terrestrial Animals 2021 of the World Organisation for Animal Health(a)."

BEN MACPHERSON
Authorised to sign by the Scottish Ministers

St Andrew's House, Edinburgh At 1.30 p.m. on 8th April 2022

⁽a) Chapter 1.1.6 of the Manual of Diagnostic Tests and Vaccines for Terrestrial Animals 2021 of the World Organisation for Animal Health (updated 24/11/2021) is available at: https://www.oie.int/en/what-we-do/standards/codes-and-manuals/terrestrial-manual-online-access/.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations amend Annex 4 to Regulation (EU) 2013/576 of the European Parliament and of the Council on the non-commercial movement of pet animals, which sets out the validity requirements for rabies antibody titration tests on pet dogs, cats and ferrets moved into Great Britain. Regulation 2 amends those requirements in relation to Scotland to allow, until 1 October 2022, an alternative rabies antibody titration test administered by the Scottish Ministers.

A Business and Regulatory Impact Assessment has not been produced for this instrument as no, or no significant, impact on the private, voluntary or public sector is foreseen.

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