
SCOTTISH STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2024 No. 70

The Dangerous Dogs (Compensation and Exemption Schemes) (Scotland) Order 2024

PART 3

Exemption schemes

Neutering

9.—(1) The holder of a certificate of exemption must, on or before the relevant date, provide the Scottish Ministers with such evidence as the Scottish Ministers may reasonably require that the dog in respect of which the certificate has been issued has been neutered.

(2) In paragraph (1)—

“neutered” means—

- (a) in the case of a male dog, castrated, and
- (b) in the case of a female dog, spayed,

“relevant date” means—

- (a) in relation to a dog that was at least 18 months old on the appointed day, 31 January 2025,
- (b) in relation to a dog that was less than 18 months old on the appointed day, either—
 - (i) 31 January 2025 or
 - (ii) the date which is one month after it reaches the age of 18 months, whichever is the later,
- (c) where the court has made an order referred to in article 6(5)(a) in respect of the dog, the date which is one month after—
 - (i) the date on which the certificate of exemption is issued, or
 - (ii) the date on which the dog reaches the age of 18 months, whichever is the later.