



Animal Health Act 1981

1981 CHAPTER 22

PART II

DISEASE

Slaughter

32 Slaughter in other diseases.

- (1) The Minister may, if he thinks fit, cause to be slaughtered any animal which—
- is affected or suspected of being affected with any disease to which this section applies; or
 - has been exposed to the infection of any such disease.

(2) This section applies to such diseases of animals as may from time to time be directed by order of the Ministers.

(3) The Minister shall pay for animals slaughtered under this section compensation of such amount as may be determined in accordance with scales prescribed by order of the Minister made with the Treasury's approval.

A statutory instrument containing an order under this subsection shall be subject to annulment in pursuance of a resolution of either House of Parliament.

- (4) This section does not apply to poultry; and in this section—
- “animals” includes horses;
 - “disease” is not restricted by its definition in this Act.

Modifications etc. (not altering text)

- C1** S. 32 applied (1.1.1993) by [S.I. 1992/3159, art. 2\(1\)](#) (as amended (S.) (28.6.2014) by [The Specified Diseases \(Notification and Slaughter\) \(Amendment\) and Compensation \(Scotland\) Order 2014 \(S.S.I. 2014/151\)](#), arts. 1(1), 2
- S. 32 applied (24.1.1997) by [S.I. 1996/3183, art. 10\(1\)](#)

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- S. 32 applied (1.4.1997) by S.I. 1997/757, **art. 11**
 S. 32 applied (1.4.1997) by S.I. 1997/758, **art. 18**
 S. 32 applied (E.) (1.9.2000) by S.I. 2000/2055, **art. 18**
 S. 32 applied (E.) (1.9.2000) by S.I. 2000/2056, **art. 11**
- C2** S. 32 applied (W.) (19.2.2003) by **Bluetongue (Wales) Order 2003** (S.I. 2003/326), arts. 1(1), **13** (with art. 4)
- C3** S. 32 applied (S.) (19.2.2003) by **Bluetongue (Scotland) Order 2003** (S.S.I. 2003/91), arts. 1(1), **13**
- C4** S. 32 applied (E.) (19.2.2003) by **Bluetongue Order 2003** (S.I. 2003/130), arts. 1(1), **13**
- C5** S. 32 applied (S.) (28.11.2003) by **African Swine Fever (Scotland) Order 2003** (S.S.I. 2003/586), arts. 1(1), **2(3)**
- C6** S. 32 applied (S.) (23.9.2005) by **Tuberculosis (Scotland) Order 2005** (S.S.I. 2005/434), arts. 1(1), **4**
- C7** S. 32 applied (W.) (31.3.2006) by **Enzootic Bovine Leukosis (Wales) Order 2006** (S.I. 2006/867), arts. 1(1), **13**
- C8** S. 32 applied (W.) (31.3.2006) by **Brucellosis (Wales) Order 2006** (S.I. 2006/866), arts. 1(1), **18**
- C9** S. 32 applied (E.) (27.4.2006 at 6.00 p.m.) by **Avian Influenza and Influenza of Avian Origin In Mammals (England) Order 2006** (S.I. 2006/1197), arts. 1(2), **3(2)** (with art. 3(3))
- C10** S. 32 applied (W.) (6.7.2006) by **The Avian Influenza and Influenza of Avian Origin in Mammals (Wales) Order 2006** (S.I. 2006/1762), arts. 1(2), **3(2)** (with art. 3(3))
- C11** S. 32 applied (W.) (13.11.2006) by **The Avian Influenza and Influenza of Avian Origin in Mammals (Wales) (No 2) Order 2006** (S.I. 2006/2927), arts. 1(2), **3(2)**
- C12** S. 32 applied (E.) (6.4.2007) by **Tuberculosis (England) Order 2007** (S.I. 2007/740), arts. 1(1), **4**
- C13** S. 32 applied (S.) (6.4.2007) by **Tuberculosis (Scotland) Order 2007** (S.S.I. 2007/147), arts. 1(1), **3**
- C14** S. 32 applied (W.) (2.11.2007 at 6.00 p.m.) by **The Bluetongue (Wales) Order 2007** (S.I. 2007/3150), arts. 1, **15** (with art. 4)
- C15** S. 32 applied (W.) (23.11.2007 at 2.25 p.m.) by **The Bluetongue (No. 2) (Wales) Order 2007** (S.I. 2007/3309), arts. 1, **17**
- C16** S. 32 applied (E.) (23.11.2007) by **Bluetongue (No.2) Order 2007** (S.I. 2007/3304), arts. 1, **17**
- C17** S. 32 applied (S.) (11.2.2008) by **Bluetongue (Scotland) Order 2008** (S.S.I. 2008/11), arts. 1(1), **20**
- C18** S. 32 applied (S.) (25.5.2009) by **Swine Vesicular Disease (Scotland) Order 2009** (S.S.I. 2009/173), arts. 1(1), **4** (with art. 3)
- C19** S. 32 applied (S.) (26.6.2009) by **Brucellosis (Scotland) Order 2009** (S.S.I. 2009/232), **art. 3** (with art. 27)
- C20** S. 32 applied (W.) (25.5.2010) by **The Tuberculosis (Wales) Order 2010** (S.I. 2010/1379), **art. 6(2)**
- C21** S. 32 applied (S.) (24.9.2012) by **The Bluetongue (Scotland) Order 2012** (S.S.I. 2012/199), arts. 1(b), **21** (with art. 8)
- C22** S. 32 applied (E.) (1.4.2015) by **The Brucellosis (England) Order 2015** (S.I. 2015/364), arts. 1(1), **19**
- C23** S. 32 applied (S.) (18.5.2023) by **The Tuberculosis (Scotland) Order 2023** (S.S.I. 2023/93), arts. 1(1), **4**
- C24** S. 32(2) applied (E.) (2.1.2018) (temp. until 2.1.2025) by **The Tuberculosis (Non-bovine animals) Slaughter and Compensation (England) Order 2017** (S.I. 2017/1254), arts. 1(1), **3**

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