

Animals (Scientific Procedures) Act 1986

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The inspectorate and the committee

18 Inspectors

- (1) The Secretary of State shall, with the consent of the Treasury as to numbers and remuneration, appoint as inspectors for the purposes of this Act persons having such medical or veterinary qualifications as he thinks requisite.
- (2) It shall be the duty of an inspector—
 - (a) to advise the Secretary of State on applications for personal and project licences, on requests for their variation or revocation and on their periodical review;
 - (b) to advise him on applications for certificates under this Act and on requests for their variation or revocation;
 - (c) to visit places where regulated procedures are carried out for the purpose of determining whether those procedures are authorised by the requisite licences and whether the conditions of those licences are being complied with;
 - (d) to visit designated establishments for the purpose of determining whether the conditions of the certificates in respect of those establishments are being complied with;
 - (e) to report to the Secretary of State any case in which any provision of this Act or any condition of a licence or certificate under this Act has not been or is not being complied with and to advise him on the action to be taken in any such case.
- (3) If an inspector considers that a protected animal is undergoing excessive suffering he may require it to be immediately killed by a method appropriate to the animal under Schedule 1 to this Act or by such other method as may be authorised by any personal licence held by the person to whom the requirement is addressed.