

**1976 No. 695****ANIMALS****DISEASES OF ANIMALS****The Sheep Scab (Amendment) Order 1976**

*Made* - - - - *5th May 1976*

*Coming into Operation* *3rd June 1976*

The Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food and the Secretary of State, acting jointly, in exercise of the powers conferred by sections 1(1), 20(v) and (vii), 42(1) and 85(1) of the Diseases of Animals Act 1950(a), and now vested in them(b), and of all other powers enabling them in that behalf, hereby order as follows:—

*Citation, extent and commencement*

**1.** This order, which may be cited as the Sheep Scab (Amendment) Order 1976, shall apply throughout Great Britain and shall come into operation on 3rd June 1976.

*Interpretation*

**2.—(1)** In this order the “principal order” means the Sheep Scab Order of 1938(c), as amended(d).

(2) The Interpretation Act 1889(e) shall apply for the interpretation of this order as it applies for the interpretation of an Act of Parliament.

*Amendment of Article 18 of the principal order*

**3.** Article 18 of the principal order shall be amended by—

- (a) omitting from paragraph (1) thereof the words “during the double dipping period”, and
- (b) omitting from paragraph (2) thereof the words “during the double dipping period”.

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(a) 1950 c. 36.

(b) By the Transfer of Functions (Animal Health) Order 1955 (S.I. 1955/958 (1955 I, p. 1184)).

(c) S.R. & O. 1938/196 (Rev. II, p. 602: 1938 I, p. 234).

(d) S.R. & O. 1948/83 (Rev. II, p. 638: 1948 I, p. 228).

(e) 1889 c. 63.

In Witness whereof the Official Seal of the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food is hereunto affixed on 30th April 1976.

(L.S.)

*Frederick Peart,*  
Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food.

5th May 1976.

*Bruce Millan,*  
Secretary of State for Scotland.

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#### EXPLANATORY NOTE

*(This Note is not part of the Order.)*

Paragraph (1) of Article 18 of the Sheep Scab Order of 1938, as amended, provides that sheep in an area which has been declared to be a Double Dipping Area shall not be taken into, or exposed for sale or exhibition in, any market, fairground, sale yard or place of exhibition in that area during a period which has been specified as a double dipping period, unless they have been dipped in the manner required by the Order within the previous 56 days.

Paragraph (2) of Article 18 provides that sheep brought into a Double Dipping Area from premises outside it may be taken into, or exposed for sale or exhibition in any market, etc. in that area during the double dipping period without being previously dipped, provided that they are accompanied by a declaration signed by the owner or his agent stating the premises and district from which the sheep were brought.

This Order amends paragraph (1) of Article 18 of the Order of 1938 so as to make sheep in a Double Dipping Area subject to the requirement of previous dipping before movement into, or exposure for sale or exhibition in a market etc., whether or not a double dipping period is in progress. As a necessary corollary the Order deletes the reference to "during the double dipping period" from paragraph (2) of Article 18.

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