

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This order, which revokes the Aujeszky's Disease of Swine Order 1982—

- (1) applies section 32 of the Animal Health Act 1981 (power to slaughter animals) to Aujeszky's disease (“the disease”) (article 4);
- (2) requires certain persons to give notice of the disease to an inspector or constable and to ensure that no animals, carcasses or poultry move from premises on which there is an animal which is affected, or suspected of being affected, with the disease (articles 5 and 6);
- (3) enables an inspector to declare certain premises as an infected place whereupon detailed rules concerning movement of persons, animals, poultry and things on to or off the premises apply. Restrictions may also be imposed on premises which are exposed to infection (articles 7, 9 and 10);
- (4) requires a veterinary inspector to inquire into the existence of the disease and gives powers to examine, take samples from and mark animals or carcasses for the purposes of such an inquiry (article 8);
- (5) provides for the prohibition or regulation of the movement of animals, poultry and things; for the marking of animals and for the cleansing and disinfection of premises (articles 11, 12 and 13);
- (6) enables the Minister to declare an area to be an infected area from which movement of swine is regulated (articles 15 and 16).