

## SCHEDULE 3

## SPECIAL PROVISIONS RELATING TO BIOLOGICAL AGENTS

## PART II

CONTAINMENT MEASURES FOR HEALTH AND VETERINARY  
CARE FACILITIES, LABORATORIES AND ANIMAL ROOMS

| <i>Containment measures</i>  | <i>Containment levels</i>          |   |  |
|--|------------------------------------|---|--|
|  | 2                                  | 3   | 4  |
| 1. The workplace is to be separated from any other activities in the same building.        | No                                 | Yes   | Yes                                      |
| 2. Input air and extract air to the workplace are to be filtered using HEPA or equivalent. | No                                 | Yes, on extract air   | Yes, on input and double on extract air  |
| 3. Access is to be restricted to authorised persons only.                                  | Yes                                | Yes   | Yes, via air-lock key procedure          |
| 4. The workplace is to be sealable to permit disinfection.                                 | No                                 | Yes   | Yes                                      |
| 5. Specified disinfection procedures.  | Yes                                | Yes   | Yes                                      |
| 6. The workplace is to be maintained at an air pressure negative to atmosphere.            | No, unless mechanically ventilated | Yes   | Yes                                      |
| 7. Efficient vector control eg rodents and insects.  | Yes, for animal containment        | Yes, for animal containment                                 | Yes                                      |
| 8. Surfaces impervious to water and easy to clean.   | Yes, for bench                     | Yes, for bench and floor (and walls for animal containment) | Yes, for bench, floor, walls and ceiling |
| 9. Surfaces resistant to acids, alkalis, solvents, disinfectants.                          | Yes, for bench                     | Yes, for bench and floor (and walls for animal containment) | Yes, for bench, floor, walls and ceiling |

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| <b>10.</b> Safe storage of biological agents.   | Yes                         | Yes                                      | Yes, secure storage     |
| <b>11.</b> An observation window, or alternative, is to be present, so that occupants can be seen.                                  | No                          | Yes                                      | Yes                     |
| <b>12.</b> A laboratory is to contain its own equipment.  | No                          | Yes, so far as is reasonably practicable | Yes                     |
| <b>13.</b> Infected material, including any animal, is to be handled in a safety cabinet or isolator or other suitable containment. | Yes, where aerosol produced | Yes, where aerosol produced              | Yes (Class III cabinet) |
| <b>14.</b> Incinerator for disposal of animal carcasses.  | Accessible                  | Accessible                               | Yes, on site            |

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