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ANIMAL HEALTH

The Non-Commercial Movement of Pet Animals (Amendment) (England) (No. 2) Regulations 2022

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The Secretary of State makes these Regulations in exercise of the powers conferred by Article 38 of Regulation (EU) No 576/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council on the non-commercial movement of pet animals(a).

In accordance with Article 39(7) of that Regulation(**b**), before making these Regulations, the Secretary of State has consulted such bodies or persons as appear to the Secretary of State to be representative of the interests likely to be substantially affected by these Regulations and such other bodies or persons as the Secretary of State considered appropriate.

Citation, commencement, expiry, extent and application

- 1.—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the Non-Commercial Movement of Pet Animals (Amendment) (England) (No. 2) Regulations 2022.
 - (2) These Regulations come into force on 1st October and expire on 1st April 2023.
 - (3) These Regulations extend to England and Wales.
 - (4) These Regulations apply in England.

Amendments to Regulation (EU) No 576/2013

- **2.**—(1) Regulation (EU) No 576/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council on the non-commercial movement of pet animals(**c**) is amended as follows.
 - (2) In Annex 4—
 - (a) in point 2(b), at the end insert ", except where point 2A applies";
 - (b) after point 2, insert—

⁽a) EUR 2013/576. Article 38 was amended by S.I. 2020/1463. For the definition of appropriate authority, see Article 3A which was inserted by S.I. 2020/1388.

⁽**b**) Article 39 was substituted by S.I. 2020/1463.

⁽c) EUR 576/2013, amended by S.I. 2022/420; there are other amending instruments but none is relevant.

"2A. This point applies where the Secretary of State has administered a test which measures a level of antibody to rabies virus in serum of the animal tested equal to or greater than 0.3 EU/ml and using an enzyme linked immunosorbent assay method that meets the validation standards set out in Chapter 1.1.6. of the Manual of Diagnostic Tests and Vaccines for Terrestrial Animals 2022(a)".

31st August 2022

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EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

Regulation 2 amends Regulation (EU) No 2013/576 of the European Parliament and of the Council on the non-commercial movement of pet animals (EUR 2013/576) to permit the use of an alternative antibody titre test for pet animals entering England from a third country, for a further period of 6 months, following the expiry of S.I. 2022/420. These Regulations expire on 1st April 2023.

A full impact assessment has not been produced for this instrument as no, or no significant, impact on the private, voluntary or public sector is foreseen.

A copy of the validation standard can be inspected free of charge by contacting the Animal Welfare team at the Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, 2 Marsham St, London SW1P 4DF.

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⁽a) Chapter 1.1.6, Manual of Diagnostic Tests and Vaccines for Terrestrial Animals, World Organisation for Animal Health, 2021 (updated 28.06.22): https://www.oie.int/fileadmin/Home/eng/Health_standards/tahm/1.01.06_VALIDATION.pdf. Note that the pages at this link make reference to the OIE terrestrial manual 2018.

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