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STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

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**1997 No. 218**

**EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES  
MEAT**

**Fresh Meat (Import Conditions)  
Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1997**

*Made* - - - - *17th April 1997*

*Coming into operation* *19th May 1997*

The Department of Agriculture for Northern Ireland, being a Department designated<sup>(1)</sup> for the purposes of section 2(2) of the European Communities Act 1972<sup>(2)</sup> in relation to the common agricultural policy of the European Economic Community, in exercise of the powers conferred on it by the said section 2(2) and of every other power enabling it in that behalf, hereby makes the following Regulations:

**Citation and commencement**

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Fresh Meat (Import Conditions) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1997 and shall come into operation on 19th May 1997.

**Interpretation**

2.—(1) In these Regulations—

“animal health and certification Decision” means any Decision under the third countries Directive specified in Schedule 1 concerning animal health conditions and veterinary certificates for imports of fresh meat from specified States;

“approved establishments Decision” means any Decision under the third countries Directive specified in Schedule 2 on lists of establishments in specified States approved for the importation of fresh meat or, where indicated in Part II of the Schedule, of certain categories of fresh meat;

“border inspection post” has the meaning given by Article 2(2)(g) of Council Directive [90/675/EEC](#) of 10th December 1990 laying down the principles governing the organisation of

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(1) S.I.1972/1811  
(2) 1972 c. 68

veterinary checks on products entering the Community from third countries<sup>(3)</sup>, as amended by Council Regulation (EEC) No. 1601/92<sup>(4)</sup>;

“EEA Agreement” means the Agreement on the European Economic Area<sup>(5)</sup> signed at Oporto on 2nd May 1992 as amended by the Protocol<sup>(6)</sup> signed at Brussels on 17th March 1993;

“EEA State” means a State which is a Contracting Party to the EEA Agreement;

“free zone” and “free warehouse” have the meaning given by Article 1(2) of the Products of Animal Origin Regulations;

“fresh meat Directive” means Council Directive 64/433/EEC, set out in the Annex to Council Directive 91/497/EEC<sup>(7)</sup>, and amended by Council Directive 92/5/EEC<sup>(8)</sup>, on health conditions for the production and marketing of fresh meat;

“import” means brought into Northern Ireland by any means whatsoever;

“non-importation Decision” means a Decision specified in Schedule 3;

“relevant EEA State” means an EEA State other than Iceland;

“the Products of Animal Origin Regulations” means the Products of Animal Origin (Import and Export) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1993<sup>(9)</sup>;

“samples” means fresh meat imported into Northern Ireland for exhibition, special studies or analysis;

“special importation requirement” means, in relation to a State specified in any paragraph of Schedule 4, any requirement specified in that paragraph relating to that region or State;

“the licensing Order” means the Landing of Carcasses and Animal Products Order (Northern Ireland) 1985<sup>(10)</sup>;

“the third countries Directive” means Council Directive 72/462/EEC of 12th December 1972<sup>(11)</sup>, on health and veterinary problems upon importation of bovine, ovine and caprine animals and swine, fresh meat or meat products from third countries as amended by the provisions listed in paragraph 2 of Schedule 5;

“the third country list” means the list in the Annex to Council Decision 79/542/EEC<sup>(12)</sup> of 21st December 1979, drawing up a list of third countries from which Member States authorise imports of bovine and porcine animals, equidae, sheep and goats, fresh meat and meat products as amended by the provisions listed in paragraph 4 of Schedule 5;

“third country” means a State which is not a relevant EEA State.

(2) Unless the context otherwise requires, expressions used in these Regulations and the fresh meat Directive have the same meaning in these Regulations as in that Directive.

(3) The following expressions, in particular, are defined in Article 1 of the fresh meat Directive—

- (a) “meat” and “fresh meat”; and
- (b) “wrapping” and “packaging”.

(4) Any reference in these Regulations to a Community Instrument or an Instrument relating to the European Community or the European Economic Area is a reference to that Instrument as amended, modified or otherwise affected by the instruments listed as amending, modifying or

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(3) O.J. No. L373, 31.12.90, p. 1

(4) O.J. No. L173, 26.7.92, p. 13

(5) O.J. No. L1, 3.1.94, p. 1

(6) O.J. No. L1, 3.1.94, p. 571

(7) O.J. No. L268, 24.4.91, p. 69

(8) O.J. No. L57, 2.3.92, p. 1

(9) S.R. 1993 No. 304 as amended by S.R. 1995 No. 112

(10) S.R. 1985 No. 161 as amended by S.R. 1995 No. 315

(11) O.J. No. L302, 31.12.72, p. 28

(12) O.J. No. L146, 14.6.79, p. 15

affecting it; in particular all the Directives referred to in these Regulations have been adapted by the Act of Accession to the European Union of the Republic of Austria, the Republic of Finland and the Kingdom of Sweden<sup>(13)</sup>.

(5) The Interpretation Act (Northern Ireland) 1954<sup>(14)</sup> shall apply to these Regulations as it applies to a Measure of the Northern Ireland Assembly.

### **Fresh meat to which the Regulations apply**

3. Subject to regulations 4, 5, 6, 7 and 12, these Regulations apply to fresh meat intended for human consumption.

### **Fresh meat originating in Great Britain, the Isle of Man or the Channel Islands**

4. These Regulations shall not apply to imports of fresh meat originating in Great Britain, the Isle of Man or any of the Channel Islands.

### **Fresh meat for crew and passengers on board means of transport operating internationally**

5.—(1) Subject to paragraph (2), these Regulations do not apply to fresh meat which is for consumption by the crew and passengers on board means of transport operating internationally.

(2) Where such fresh meat, including kitchen waste, is unloaded, it shall be destroyed, except where such unloading is solely for the purpose of transferring such fresh meat, directly or after being placed under customs supervision, from one means of transport to another.

### **Personal imports**

6. These Regulations do not apply to imports of fresh meat—

- (a) forming part of a traveller's personal luggage and intended for his personal consumption, or
- (b) sent as small packages on a non-commercial basis,

provided that the fresh meat so imported comes from:—

- (a) an EEA state and the quantity does not exceed 10kg; or
- (b) a third country, or part thereof, listed in Schedule 1, and the quantity does not exceed 1kg.

### **Fresh meat imported under authorisation, or for international organisations or visiting forces**

7. In relation to the fresh meat described in paragraphs (a) to (c), regulation 11(1)(c), (d) and (e) shall not apply to—

- (a) fresh meat imported with the authorisation of the country of destination for uses other than human consumption;
- (b) fresh meat which is intended exclusively for the supply of international organisations;
- (c) fresh meat which is intended exclusively for consumption by members of a visiting force or their dependants (as defined in Section 11 of the Visiting Forces Act 1952<sup>(15)</sup>).

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<sup>(13)</sup> O.J. No. C241, 29.8.94, p. 21

<sup>(14)</sup> 1954 c. 33 (N.I.)

<sup>(15)</sup> 1952 c. 67

### **Transshipment and storage of fresh meat consigned to a relevant EEA State from a third country**

8. Fresh meat consigned to a relevant EEA State from a third country may be transhipped through, and stored in, Northern Ireland, provided that—

- (a) it complies with the conditions of the relevant EEA State to which it is consigned;
- (b) it is not unloaded in Northern Ireland or is unloaded at a border inspection post in Northern Ireland; and
- (c) during its time in Northern Ireland it remains in a border inspection post, free zone or free warehouse except during any journey to another border inspection post, free zone or free warehouse.

### **Fresh meat subject to a non-importation Decision**

9. A person shall not import any fresh meat to which a non-importation Decision applies.

### **Fresh meat originating in a relevant EEA State**

10. A person shall not import fresh meat which originated in a relevant EEA State other than the United Kingdom unless—

- (a) it has been obtained in accordance with Articles 3, 4 and 8a of Council Directive [72/461/EEC](#) on health problems affecting intra-Community trade in fresh meat<sup>(16)</sup> as amended by the provisions listed in paragraph 1 of Schedule 5;
- (b) subject to regulation 12, it has been obtained from animals slaughtered in an establishment on a list of approved establishments drawn up by the relevant EEA State under Article 10 of the fresh meat Directive; and
- (c) it satisfies any special importation requirement.

### **Fresh meat originating in a third country**

11.—(1) A person shall not import fresh meat which originates in a third country unless—

- (a) it is derived from animals which have remained for at least three months before being slaughtered, or since birth if they were less than three months old when slaughtered, in a third country on the third country list for which imports of fresh meat of the species concerned are indicated as “authorised” on that list;
- (b) it has been obtained in accordance with the animal health requirements set down in—
  - (i) Articles 14(2) and (3) of the third countries Directive; and
  - (ii) the relevant animal health and certification Decision;
- (c) in the case of half carcasses, half carcasses cut into no more than three cuts, quarters or offal—
  - (i) the requirements of Chapters VI to VIII, XIV and XV of Annex I to the fresh meat Directive are satisfied; and
  - (ii) it is derived from animals slaughtered in an establishment on a list in the relevant approved establishments Decision;
- (d) in the case of cuts smaller than quarters, boned meat, or offal, or sliced livers of bovine animals,—

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(16) O.J. No. L302, 31.12.72, p. 24

- (i) the requirements of Chapters VI to X, XII, XIV and XV of Annex I to the fresh meat Directive are satisfied; and
  - (ii) it is derived from carcasses cut up in an establishment on a list in the relevant approved establishments Decision;
- (e) it bears a health mark applied in accordance with Chapter XI of Annex I to the fresh meat Directive which—
- (i) complies with paragraph 50 of that Chapter; or
  - (ii) indicates, in clearly legible form—
    - (aa) the name of the country of origin in capitals, an abbreviation of its name or the International Organisation for Standardisation's Code for the country as referred to in the third country list; and
    - (bb) the veterinary approval number of the establishment from which it has been consigned as assigned by the relevant approved establishments Decision;
- (f) it is accompanied by—
- (i) documentation in accordance with Article 3.1.A(f) of the fresh meat Directive; or
  - (ii) a public health certificate conforming to the model laid down in Annex A to the third countries Directive and an animal health certificate in accordance with the relevant animal health and certification Decision;
- (g) it satisfies any special importation requirement; and
- (h) in the case of fresh meat derived from swine or solipeds, it has been examined or treated for trichinae in accordance with Council Directive [77/96/EEC](#) on the examination for Trichinae (*Trichinella spiralis*) upon importation from third countries of fresh meat derived from domestic swine<sup>(17)</sup> as amended by the provisions listed in paragraph 3 of Schedule 5.
- (2) A person shall not import fresh meat which originates in a third country—
- (a) derived from boars or cryptorchid pigs;
  - (b) derived from animals to which hormonal substances prohibited under Directives [81/602/EEC](#)<sup>(18)</sup> concerning the prohibition of certain substances having a hormonal action and of any substances having a thyrostatic action or [88/146/EEC](#)<sup>(19)</sup> prohibiting the use in livestock farming of certain substances having have been administered;
  - (c) which has been treated with ionising or ultra-violet radiation;
  - (d) derived from animals to which tenderisers or other products likely to affect adversely the composition or organoleptic characteristics of the meat have been administered;
  - (e) to which, for the purpose of health marking, any colouring matter other than those referred to in paragraph 58 of Chapter XI of Annex I to the fresh meat Directive has been added;
  - (f) derived from animals which have been found—
    - (i) to have any form of tuberculosis;
    - (ii) to be carrying any cysticerci bovis or cysticerci cellulosa, whether live or dead; or
    - (iii) in the case of swine, to have trichinae;
  - (g) derived from animals slaughtered too young; or
  - (h) in pieces of less than 100 grams.

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<sup>(17)</sup> O.J. No. L26, 31.1.77, p. 67

<sup>(18)</sup> O.J. No. L222, 7.8.81, p. 32

<sup>(19)</sup> O.J. No. L70, 16.3.88, p. 16

(3) A person shall not import from a third country any mechanically recovered meat, or any blood, bovine head or any muscular or other tissue of a bovine head other than the tongue.

### **Importation and treatment of samples and their packaging**

12.—(1) Regulations 10(b), 11(1)(c), (d) and (e) shall not apply to samples.

(2) Samples shall be taken directly from the port or airport of entry to the address at which they are to be exhibited, studied or analysed.

(3) Samples shall not be used for human consumption or sold.

(4) All residues of the samples and all of their packaging shall be destroyed by incineration or by other means sufficient to destroy pathogenic agents.

(5) It is the duty of the person having possession of these samples for the time being—

(a) to comply with the requirements of paragraph (2); and

(b) to ensure that there is no contravention of paragraph (3).

(6) It is the duty of the person having possession of the samples at the time of the completion or abandonment of the exhibition, special study or analysis for which the samples are intended to comply with the requirements of paragraph (4).

### **Certificates and other documents**

13. Any certificate or other document required for any of the purposes of these Regulations is invalid for that purpose unless—

(a) it is in English and at least one of the official languages of the country of destination where this is a Member State other than the United Kingdom;

(b) it is the original, or where the consignment has entered the European Community through a border inspection post, a copy of the certificate provided and authenticated by the official veterinarian responsible for that border inspection post;

(c) it consists of a single piece of paper; and

(d) it is made out to a single consignee.

### **Offences and Penalties**

14. A person who contravenes any provision of these Regulations shall be guilty of an offence and liable—

(a) on summary conviction, to a fine not exceeding the statutory maximum or to imprisonment for a term not exceeding three months or to both; and

(b) on conviction on indictment, to a fine or to imprisonment for a term not exceeding three months or to both.

### **Disapplication of the Imported Food Regulations and licensing Order**

15.—(1) The Imported Food Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1991(20) shall not apply to fresh meat to which these Regulations apply.

(2) The licensing Order shall not apply to any fresh meat to which these Regulations apply.

(3) The licensing Order shall not apply to samples other than those coming from a third country.

### **Modification of the Products of Animal Origin Regulations**

16.—(1) In their application to the import of fresh meat to which these Regulations apply, the Products of Animal Origin Regulations shall be modified in accordance with paragraphs (2) and (3).

(2) Regulations 8, 9 and 11 of the Products of Animal Origin Regulations shall be construed as if the conditions of import in regulation 10 of these Regulations (fresh meat originating in a relevant EEA State) were the “health requirements” referred to in regulations 8, 9 and 11.

(3) Regulation 19 of the Products of Animal Origin Regulations shall be construed as if the conditions of import in regulation 11 of these Regulations (fresh meat originating in a third country) were the “health requirements” referred to in regulation 19.

(4) Regulation 22 of the Products of Animal Origin Regulations shall be construed as if the conditions of import in regulations 10 and 11 of these Regulations were the “health requirements” referred to in regulation 22.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of Agriculture for Northern Ireland on

17th April 1997.

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SCHEDULE 1

Regulation 2(1)

Animal Health and Certification Decisions

**Argentina**

1. Commission Decision [93/402/EEC](#) of 10th June 1993 (O.J. No. L179, 22.7.93, p. 11) (“The South American Decision”), as amended by—

Commission Decision [96/595/EC](#) (O.J. No. L261, 15.10.96, p. 41).

**Australia**

2. Commission Decision [80/801/EEC](#) of 25th July 1980 (O.J. No. L234, 5.9.80, p. 41) as amended by—

Commission Decision [81/662/EEC](#) (O.J. No. L237, 22.8.81, p. 33).

**Belize**

3. Commission Decision [84/292/EEC](#) of 27th April 1984 (O.J. No. L144, 30.5.84, p. 10).

**Botswana**

4. Commission Decision [92/22/EEC](#) of 13th November 1991 (O.J. No. L10, 16.1.92, p. 34).

**Brazil**

5. The South American Decision.

**Bulgaria**

6. Commission Decision [92/222/EEC](#) of 26th March 1992 (O.J. No. L108, 25.4.92, p. 38) as amended by—

Commission Decision [92/453/EEC](#) (O.J. No. L250, 29.8.92, p. 46).

**Canada**

7. Commission Decision [80/804/EEC](#) of 25th July 1980 (O.J. No. L236, 9.9.80, p. 25) as amended by—

Commission Decision [96/727/EC](#) (O.J. No. L329, 19.12.96, p. 51).

**Chile**

8. The South American Decision.

**Colombia**

9. The South American Decision.

**Costa Rica**

10. Commission Decision [81/887/EEC](#) of 19th October 1981 (O.J. No. L324, 12.11.81, p. 25).



### **Croatia**

11. Commission Decision [92/390/EEC](#) of 2nd July 1992 (O.J. No. L207, 23.7.92, p. 53) as amended by—

Commission Decision [93/234/EEC](#) (O.J. No. L106, 30.4.93, p. 16).

### **Cuba**

12. Commission Decision [86/72/EEC](#) of 19th February 1986 (O.J. No. L76, 21.3.86, p. 47).

### **Cyprus**

13. Commission Decision [86/463/EEC](#) of 3rd September 1986 (O.J. No. L271, 23.9.86, p. 23).

### **Czech Republic**

14. Commission Decision [94/845/EC](#) of 20th December 1994 (O.J. No. L352, 31.12.94, p. 38) as amended by—

Commission Decision [96/131/EC](#) (O.J. No. L30, 8.2.96, p. 51).

### **Greenland**

15. Commission Decision [86/117/EEC](#) of 7th March 1986 (O.J. No. L99, 15.4.86, p. 26).

### **Guatemala**

16. Commission Decision [82/414/EEC](#) of 10th June 1982 (O.J. No. L182, 26.6.82, p. 27).

### **Honduras**

17. Commission Decision [89/221/EEC](#) of 8th March 1989 (O.J. No. L92, 5.4.89, p. 16).

### **Hungary**

18. Commission Decision [82/8/EEC](#) of 9th December 1981 (O.J. No. L8, 13.1.82, p. 9).

### **Iceland**

19. Commission Decision [83/84/EEC](#) of 15th February 1983 (O.J. No. L56, 3.3.83, p. 26).

### **Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia**

20. Commission Decision [81/547/EEC](#) of 24th June 1981 (O.J. No. L206, 27.7.81, p. 15) as amended by—

Commission Decision [83/70/EEC](#) (O.J. No. L47, 19.2.83, p. 25);

Commission Decision [83/199/EEC](#) (O.J. No. L108, 26.4.83, p. 23);

Commission Decision [91/73/EEC](#) (O.J. No. L43, 16.2.91, p. 45);

Commission Decision [92/453/EEC](#) (O.J. No. L250, 29.8.92, p. 46).

### **Madagascar**

21. Commission Decision [90/156/EEC](#) of 19th March 1990 (O.J. No. L89, 4.4.90, p. 13).

### **Malta**

22. Commission Decision [84/294/EEC](#) of 27th April 1984 (O.J. No. L144, 30.5.84, p. 17).

### **Mexico**

23. Commission Decision [83/380/EEC](#) of 27th July 1983 (O.J. No. L222, 13.8.83, p. 27).

### **Morocco**

24. Commission Decision [84/295/EEC](#) of 27th April 1984 (O.J. No. L144, 30.5.84, p. 21).

### **Namibia**

25. Commission Decision [92/24/EEC](#) of 12th November 1991 (O.J. No. L10, 16.1.92, p. 46).

### **New Zealand**

26. Commission Decision [80/805/EEC](#) of 25th July 1980 (O.J. No. L236, 9.9.80, p. 28) as amended by—

Commission Decision [81/662/EEC](#) (O.J. No. L237, 22.8.81, p. 33).

### **Panama**

27. Commission Decision [86/63/EEC](#) of 12th February 1986 (O.J. No. L72, 15.3.86, p. 36).

### **Paraguay**

28. The South American Decision.

### **Poland**

29. Commission Decision [82/9/EEC](#) of 9th December 1981 (O.J. No. L8, 13.1.82, p. 15) as amended by—

Commission Decision [92/453/EEC](#) (O.J. No. L250, 29.8.92, p. 46).

### **Romania**

30. Commission Decision [82/132/EEC](#) of 4th February 1982 (O.J. No. L60, 3.3.82, p. 16) as amended by—

Commission Decision [92/453/EEC](#) (O.J. No. L250, 29.8.92, p. 46).

### **Slovak Republic**

31. Commission Decision [94/846/EC](#) of 20th December 1994 (O.J. No. L352, 31.12.94, p. 48).

### **Slovenia**

32. Commission Decision [92/377/EEC](#) of 2nd July 1992 (O.J. No. L197, 16.7.92, p. 75) as amended by—

Commission Decision [93/234/EEC](#) (O.J. No. L106, 30.4.93, p. 16).

### **South Africa**

33. Commission Decision [92/21/EEC](#) of 12th November 1991 (O.J. No. L10, 16.1.92, p. 28).

### **Swaziland**

34. Commission Decision [92/23/EEC](#) of 13th November 1991 (O.J. No. L10, 16.1.92, p. 40).

### **Switzerland**

35. Commission Decision [81/526/EEC](#) of 19th June 1981 (O.J. No. L196, 18.7.81, p. 19) as amended by—

Commission Decision [93/148/EEC](#) (O.J. No. L58, 11.3.93, p. 63);

Commission Decision [94/667/EEC](#) (O.J. No. L260, 8.10.94, p. 32).

### **Turkey**

36. Commission Decision [90/445/EEC](#) of 26th July 1990 (O.J. No. L228, 22.8.90, p. 28).

### **United States of America**

37. Commission Decision [82/426/EEC](#) of 10th June 1982 (O.J. No. L186, 30.6.82, p. 54) as amended by—

Commission Decision [85/164/EEC](#) (O.J. No. L63, 2.3.85, p. 26).

### **Uruguay**

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The South American Decision, as amended for Uruguay by—

Commission Decision [94/334/EC](#) (O.J. No. L148, 15.6.94, p. 12);

Commission Decision [95/443/EC](#) (O.J. No. L258, 28.10.95, p. 65);

Commission Decision [96/595](#) (O.J. No. L261, 15.10.96, p. 41).

### **Zimbabwe**

39. Commission Decision [92/25/EEC](#) of 13th November 1991 (O.J. No. L10, 16.1.92, p. 52) as amended by—

Commission Decision [94/171/EC](#) (O.J. No. L78, 22.3.94, p. 41);

Commission Decision [96/585/EC](#) (O.J. No. L255, 9.10.96, p. 21).

## SCHEDULE 2

Regulation 2(1)

### Approved Establishments Decisions

#### Part I

#### States

##### **Argentina**

1. Commission Decision [81/91/EEC](#) of 30th January 1981 (O.J. No. L58, 5.3.81, p. 39), as amended by—

Commission Decision C(95) 843 (O.J. No. C98, 21.4.95, p. 4);

Commission Decision C(95) 1780 (O.J. No. C193, 27.7.95, p. 6).

##### **Australia**

2. Commission Decision [83/384/EEC](#) of 29th July 1983 (O.J. No. L222, 13.8.83, p. 36) as amended by—

Commission Decision C(94) 2698 (O.J. No. C302, 28.10.94, p. 2).

##### **Botswana**

3. Commission Decision [83/243/EEC](#) of 10th May 1983 (O.J. No. L129, 19.5.83, p. 70), as amended by—

Commission Decision C(94) 1676 (O.J. No. C189, 12.7.94, p. 8);

Commission Decision C(95) 2899 (O.J. No. C338, 16.12.95, p. 3).

##### **Brazil**

4. Commission Decision [81/713/EEC](#) of 28th July 1981 (O.J. No. L257 10.9.81, p. 28), as amended by—

Commission Decision C(95) 1172 (O.J. No. C147, 14.6.95, p. 6);

Commission Decision C(95) 1994 (O.J. No. C205, 10.8.95, p. 5).

##### **Bulgaria**

5. Council Decision [82/735/EEC](#) of 18th October 1982 (O.J. No. L311, 8.11.82, p. 16), as amended by—

Commission Decision C(96) 303 (O.J. No. C45, 17.2.96, p. 4).

##### **Canada**

6. Commission Decision [87/258/EEC](#) of 28th April 1987 (O.J. No. L121, 9.5.87, p. 50), as amended by—

Commission Decision C(97) 247 (O.J. No. C49, 19.2.97, p. 18).

### **Chile**

7. Commission Decision [87/124/EEC](#) of 19th January 1987 (O.J. No. L51, 20.2.87, p. 41), as amended by—

Commission Decision C(93) 3430 (O.J. No. C349, 29.12.93, p. 8).

### **Croatia**

8. Commission Decision [93/26/EEC](#) of 11th December 1992 (O.J. No. L16, 25.1.93, p. 24), as amended by—

Commission Decision C(96) 3817 (O.J. No. C387, 21.12.96, p. 9).

### **Czech Republic**

9. Commission Decision [93/546/EEC](#) of 12th October 1993 (O.J. No. L266, 27.10.93, p. 31), as amended by—

Commission Decision C(94) 1964 (O.J. No. C223, 11.8.94, p. 12).

### **Greenland**

10. Commission Decision [85/539/EEC](#) of 29th November 1985 (O.J. No. L334, 12.12.85, p. 25), as amended by—

Commission Decision C(89) 1885 (O.J. No. C286, 14.11.89, p. 5).

### **Guatemala**

11. Commission Decision [82/923/EEC](#) of 17th December 1982 (O.J. No. L381, 31.12.82, p. 40).

### **Hungary**

12. Council Decision [82/733/EEC](#) of 18th October 1982 (O.J. No. L311, 8.11.82, p. 10), as amended by—

Commission Decision C(94) 3453 (O.J. No. C355, 14.12.94, p. 8); and

Corrigendum 94/C382/10 (O.J. No. C382, 31.12.94, p. 39).

### **Iceland**

13. Commission Decision [84/24/EEC](#) of 23rd December 1983 (O.J. No. L20, 25.1.84, p. 21), as amended by—

Commission Decision C(96) 2906 (O.J. No. C317, 26.10.96, p. 38).

### **Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia**

14. Commission Decision [95/45/EC](#) of 20th February 1995 (O.J. No. L51, 8.3.95, p. 13).

### **Madagascar**

15. Commission Decision [90/165/EEC](#) of 28th March 1990 (O.J. No. L91, 6.4.90, p. 34), as amended by—

Commission Decision C(92) 1633 (O.J. No. C186, 23.7.92, p. 20).

### **Malta**

16. Commission Decision [87/548/EEC](#) of 6th November 1987 (O.J. No. L327, 18.11.87, p. 28).

### **United Mexican States**

17. Commission Decision [87/424/EEC](#) of 14th July 1987 (O.J. No. L228, 15.8.87, p. 43), as amended by—

Commission Decision C(94) 1976 (O.J. No. C210, 30.7.94, p. 18).

### **Morocco**

18. Commission Decision [86/65/EEC](#) of 13th February 1986 (O.J. No. L72, 15.3.86, p. 40).

### **Namibia**

19. Commission Decision [90/432/EEC](#) of 30th July 1990 (O.J. No. L223, 18.8.90, p. 19), as amended by—

Commission Decision C(94) 1975 (O.J. No. C210, 30.7.94, p. 18).

### **New Zealand**

20. Commission Decision [83/402/EEC](#) of 29th July 1983 (O.J. No. L233, 24.8.83, p. 24), as amended by—

Commission Decision C(94) 2696 (O.J. No. C298, 26.10.94, p. 3);

Commission Decision C(95) 1351 (O.J. No. C157, 23.6.95, p. 3).

### **Paraguay**

21. Commission Decision [83/423/EEC](#) of 29th July 1983 (O.J. No. L238, 27.8.83, p. 39), as amended by—

Commission Decision C(96) 2158 (O.J. No. C241, 20.8.96, p. 2).

### **Poland**

22. Commission Decision [84/28/EEC](#) of 6th January 1984 (O.J. No. L21, 26.1.84, p. 42), as amended by—

Commission Decision C(96) 3818 (O.J. No. C387, 21.12.96, p. 11).

### **Romania**

23. Commission Decision [83/218/EEC](#) of 22nd April 1983 (O.J. No. L121, 7.5.83, p. 23), as amended by—

Commission Decision C(96) 3660 (O.J. No. C387, 21.12.96, p. 10).

### **Slovak Republic**

24. Commission Decision [93/547/EEC](#) of 12th October 1993 (O.J. No. L266, 27.10.93, p.33), as amended by—

Commission Decision C(95) 2065 (O.J. No. C227, 1.9.95, p. 2).

### **Slovenia**

25. Commission Decision [93/27/EEC](#) of 11th December 1992 (O.J. No. L16, 25.1.93, p. 26), as amended by—

Commission Decision C(94) 2213 (O.J. No. C229, 18.8.94, p. 7).

### **South Africa**

26. Commission Decision [82/913/EEC](#) of 16th December 1982 (O.J. No. L381, 31.12.82, p. 28), as amended by—

Commission Decision [90/433/EEC](#) (O.J. No. L223, 18.8.90, p. 21);

Commission Decision C(95) 1681 (O.J. No. C187, 21.7.95, p. 10).

### **Swaziland**

27. Commission Decision [82/814/EEC](#) of 17th November 1982 (O.J. No. L343, 4.12.82, p. 24), as amended by—

Commission Decision C(89) 1686 (O.J. No. C252, 5.10.89, p. 4).

### **Switzerland**

28. Council Decision [82/734/EEC](#) of 18th October 1982 (O.J. No. L311, 8.11.82, p. 13), as amended by—

Commission Decision C(96) 304 (O.J. No. C45, 17.2.96, p. 3).

### **Turkey**

29. Commission Decision [83/234/EEC](#) of 29th April 1983 (O.J. No. L127, 17.5.83, p. 20).

### **United States of America**

30. Commission Decision [87/257/EEC](#) of 28th April 1987 (O.J. No. L121, 9.5.87, p. 46), as amended by—

Commission Decision C(97) 248 (O.J. No. C49, 19.2.97, p. 19).

### **Uruguay**

31. Commission Decision [81/92/EEC](#) of 30th January 1981 (O.J. No. L58, 5.3.81, p. 43), as amended by—

Commission Decision C(96) 1604 (O.J. No. C227, 6.8.96, p. 2).

### **Zimbabwe**

32. Commission Decision [85/473/EEC](#) of 2nd October 1985 (O.J. No. L278, 18.10.85, p. 35), as amended by—

Commission Decision C(96) 3816 (O.J. No. C387, 21.12.96, p. 8).

## Part II

### Limitation of Certain Decisions

The Decisions specified in paragraphs 1, 5 and 31 of Part I of this Schedule are limited to the importation of fresh beef and veal, sheepmeat and meat of domestic solipeds.

#### SCHEDULE 3

Regulation 2(1)

##### Non-Importation Decisions

###### **Albania**

1. Commission Decision [89/197/EEC](#) (O.J. No. L73, 17.3.89, p. 53) concerning the import by Member States of fresh meat from Albania (which bans all imports of fresh meat from Albania).

###### **Bosnia-Herzegovina**

2. Commission Decision [92/271/EEC](#) (O.J. No. L138, 21.5.92, p. 39) (which suspends the importation into the Community of live animals and animal products originating in or coming via the Republic of Bosnia-Herzegovina).

###### **Greece**

3. Commission Decision [96/526/EC](#) (O.J. No. L221, 31.8.96, p. 65) (Article 2 of which prohibits, with certain specified exceptions the importation into the Community of fresh meat coming from certain parts of Greece).

#### SCHEDULE 4

Regulation 2(1)

##### Special Importation Requirements

###### **Sardinia**

1. Commission Decision [95/108/EC](#) (O.J. No. L79, 7.4.95, p. 29) concerning health protection measures against African swine fever in Sardinia (which permits the movement from Sardinia of fresh pigment originating in certain provinces of Sardinia and subject to certain conditions).

###### **South America**

2. The offal to which Article 3 of the South American Decision applies may only be imported from—

- (a) Argentina;
- (b) Brazil;
- (c) Chile;
- (d) Colombia;
- (e) Paraguay;
- (f) Uruguay,



in accordance with an authorisation in writing granted by the Department.

## SCHEDULE 5

Regulations 2(1),10(a) and 11(1)(h)

### Amendments to Community Legislation

1. Council Directive [72/461/EEC](#) of 12th December 1972 on health problems affecting intra-Community trade in fresh meat (O.J. No. L302, 31.12.72, p. 24) has been amended by and must be read subject to:

- Council Directive [75/379/EEC](#) (O.J. No. L172, 3.7.75, p. 17);
- Council Directive [77/98/EEC](#) (O.J. No. L26, 31.1.77, p. 81);
- Council Directive [80/213/EEC](#) (O.J. No. L47, 21.2.80, p. 1);
- Council Directive [80/1099/EEC](#) (O.J. No. L325, 1.12.80, p. 14);
- Council Directive [81/476/EEC](#) (O.J. No. L186, 8.7.81, p. 20);
- Council Directive [82/893/EEC](#) (O.J. No. L378, 21.12.82, p. 57);
- Council Directive [83/646/EEC](#) (O.J. No. L360, 23.12.83, p. 44);
- Council Directive [84/336/EEC](#) (O.J. No. L177, 4.7.84, p. 22);
- Council Directive [84/643/EEC](#) (O.J. No. L339, 27.12.84, p. 27);
- Council Directive [85/322/EEC](#) (O.J. No. L168, 28.6.85, p. 41);
- Council Regulation (EEC) No. [3768/85](#) (O.J. No. L362, 31.12.85, p. 8);
- Council Directive [87/64/EEC](#) (O.J. No. L34, 5.2.87, p. 52);
- Commission Decision [87/231/EEC](#) (O.J. No. L99, 11.4.87, p. 18);
- Council Directive [87/489/EEC](#) (O.J. No. L280, 3.10.87, p. 28);
- Council Directive [89/662/EEC](#) (O.J. No. L395, 30.12.89, p. 13);
- Council Directive [91/266/EEC](#) (O.J. No. L134, 29.5.91, p. 45);
- Council Directive [91/687/EEC](#) (O.J. No. L377, 31.12.91, p. 16);
- Council Directive [92/118/EEC](#) (O.J. No. L62, 15.3.93, p. 49);

The Act concerning the conditions of accession of the Kingdom of Norway, the Republic of Austria, the Republic of Finland and the Kingdom of Sweden and the adjustments to the Treaties on which the European Union is founded (O.J. No. C241, 29.8.94, p. 21).

2. Council Directive [72/462/EEC](#) of 12th December 1972 on health and veterinary inspection problems upon importation of bovine, ovine and caprine animals and swine, fresh meat or meat products from third countries (O.J. No. L302, 31.12.72, p. 28) has been amended by and must be read subject to:

- Council Directive [77/98/EEC](#) (O.J. No. L26, 31.1.77, p. 81);
- Council Directive [83/91/EEC](#) (O.J. No. L59, 5.3.83, p. 34);
- Council Directive [87/64/EEC](#) (O.J. No. L34, 5.2.87, p. 52);
- Council Directive [88/289/EEC](#) (O.J. No. L124, 18.8.88, p. 31);
- Council Directive [88/657/EEC](#) (O.J. No. L382, 31.12.88, p. 3);
- Council Directive [89/227/EEC](#) (O.J. No. L93, 6.4.89, p. 25);
- Council Directive [89/662/EEC](#) (O.J. No. L395, 30.12.89, p. 13);
- Council Directive [90/423/EEC](#) (O.J. No. L224, 18.8.90, p. 13);

Council Directive [90/425/EEC](#) (O.J. No. L224, 18.8.90, p. 29);

Council Directive [91/69/EEC](#) (O.J. No. L46, 19.2.91, p. 37);

Council Directive [91/266/EEC](#) (O.J. No. L134, 29.5.91, p. 45);

Council Directive [91/496/EEC](#) (O.J. No. L268, 24.9.91, p. 56);

Council Directive [91/497/EEC](#) (O.J. No. L268, 24.9.91, p. 69);

Council Regulation (EEC) No. [3763/91](#) (O.J. No. L356, 24.12.91, p. 1);

Council Directive [91/688/EEC](#) (O.J. No. L377, 31.12.91, p. 18);

Council Regulation (EEC) No. [1601/92](#) (O.J. No. L173, 27.6.92, p. 13);

The Act concerning the conditions of accession of the Kingdom of Norway, the Republic of Austria, the Republic of Finland and the Kingdom of Sweden and the adjustments to the Treaties on which the European Union is founded (O.J. No. C241, 29.8.94, p. 21).

3. Council Directive [77/96/EEC](#) has been amended by and must be read subject to:

The Act concerning the conditions of accession of the Hellenic Republic to the European Communities (O.J. No. L291, 19.11.79, p. 17);

Council Directive [81/476/EEC](#) (O.J. No. L186, 8.7.81, p. 20);

Council Directive [83/91/EEC](#) (O.J. No. L59, 5.3.83, p. 34);

Council Directive [84/319/EEC](#) (O.J. No. L167, 27.6.84, p. 34);

Council Regulation (EEC) No. [3768/85](#) (O.J. No. L362, 31.12.85, p. 8);

Council Directive [89/321/EEC](#) (O.J. No. L133, 17.5.89, p. 33);

Council Directive [94/59/EC](#) (O.J. No. L315, 8.12.94, p. 18);

The Act concerning the conditions of accession of the Kingdom of Norway, the Republic of Austria, the Republic of Finland and the Kingdom of Sweden and the adjustments to the Treaties on which the European Union is founded (O.J. No. C241, 29.8.94, p. 21).

4. The Annex to Council Decision [79/542/EEC](#) of 21st December 1979 drawing up a list of third countries from which the Member States authorise imports of bovine animals, swine, equidae, sheep and goats, fresh meat and meat products (O.J. No. L146, 14.6.79, p. 15) as replaced by the Annex to Commission Decision [93/435/EEC](#) (O.J. No. L201, 11.8.93, p. 28), has been amended by and must be read subject to:

Commission Decision [94/59/EC](#) (O.J. No. L27, 1.2.94, p. 53);

Commission Decision [94/310/EC](#) (O.J. No. L137, 1.6.94, p. 72);

Commission Decision [94/453/EC](#) (O.J. No. L187, 22.7.94, p. 11);

Commission Decision [94/561/EC](#) (O.J. No. L214, 19.8.94, p. 17);

Commission Decision [96/132/EC](#) (O.J. No. L30, 8.2.96, p. 52);

The Act concerning the conditions of accession of the Kingdom of Norway, the Republic of Austria, the Republic of Finland and the Kingdom of Sweden and the adjustments to the Treaties on which the European Union is founded (O.J. No. C241, 29.8.94, p. 21).

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## EXPLANATORY NOTE

*(This note is not part of the Regulations.)*

These Regulations implement Council Directives [72/461/EEC](#) and [72/462/EEC](#) as amended. The Regulations also implement Commission Directive [94/59/EC](#) which amends the Annexes to Council Directive [77/96/EEC](#) on the examination for Trichinae upon importation from third countries of fresh meat derived from domestic swine. They provide that the Landing of Carcases and Animal Products Order (Northern Ireland) 1985 and the Imported Food Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1991 shall not apply to fresh meat (regulation 15) and modify certain enforcement provisions of the Products of Animal Origin (Import and Export) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1993 in their application to fresh meat to which these Regulations apply (regulation 16).

The Regulations apply to fresh meat for human consumption obtained from bovine animals, swine, sheep and goats and solipeds (horses etc.) (regulation 3).

Exempt from the Regulations are, fresh meat for the crew and passengers on board international transport (regulation 5), personal imports (regulation 6) from EEA States and third countries and fresh meat imported under authorisation, or for international organisations or visiting forces (regulation 7).

Provision is made for the transhipment through, and storage in, Northern Ireland of fresh meat consigned from a third country to an EEA State (regulation 8).

The Regulations prohibit the import of fresh meat into Northern Ireland other than in accordance with the provisions of the Regulations (regulations 9, 10 and 11) and provide for the importation and treatment of samples and their packaging (regulation 12).

The Regulations set out certain requirements for certificates and documents needed for the purposes of the Regulations (regulation 13) and make provision regarding offences and penalties (regulation 14).