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The Welsh Ministers

The Bluetongue (Wales) Regulations S.I. 2008/962 (as amended by S.I. 2012/1977) – Regulation 19

Bluetongue general licence for using inactivated vaccine in a Bluetongue-free area

Directive 2012/5/EU amends Council Directive 200/75/EC to allow inactivated Bluetongue vaccine to be used outside of a restricted zone, and this has been transposed in Wales through an amendment to the Bluetongue (Wales) Regulations 2008 (S.I. 2008/1090 (W.116)) by the Bluetongue (Wales) (Amendment) Regulations 2012 (S.I. 2012/2403 (W.257)).

Welsh Ministers have carried out a specific risk assessment that has resulted in them allowing the use of inactivated Bluetongue vaccine in Wales, and Welsh Ministers have informed the EU Commission of that decision in accordance with regulation 19(4) of the Bluetongue (Wales) Regulations S.I. 2008/1090 (W.116) (as amended).

Welsh Ministers hereby grant this general license so that inactivated vaccine with a marketing authorisation granted by the European Medicines Agency to protect against Bluetongue may be used to vaccinate ruminating animals pursuant to regulation 19 (1) of The Bluetongue (Wales) Regulations S.I. 2008/1090 (W.116) (as amended).

This license comes into force at 00:01 on 10 October 2012.

Signed by



Tony Joss

Under the authority of the Welsh Ministers

Dated: 03 October 2012