

ANIMAL HEALTH ACT 1981

THE TUBERCULOSIS (WALES) ORDER (2010 S.I.2010/1379) (AS AMENDED)

GENERAL LICENCE TO ALLOW MOVEMENT OF BOVINE ANIMALS FROM AN ACCREDITED HERD INTO THE LOW TB AREA OF WALES WITHOUT THE REQUIREMENT FOR A KEEPER TO ARRANGE A POST-MOVEMENT TEST

In accordance with articles 13A and 23 of the Tuberculosis (Wales) Order 2010 (as amended), the Welsh Ministers hereby authorise, by this general licence, the movement of bovine animals from a Cattle Health Scheme accredited herd, either directly or via an approved sales gathering, into the Low TB area of Wales, without the requirement for the keeper to arrange a post-movement test, subject to the conditions of this licence.

This general licence comes into force at 00:01 hrs on 19 December 2017.

Signed By 

Under the authority of the Cabinet Secretary for Energy, Planning and Rural Affairs, one of the Welsh Ministers

Dated 19 December 2017

Conditions:

- 1) The bovine animals must originate from a herd accredited under a Cattle Health Certification Standards (UK) TB licensed Cattle Health Scheme as free of TB for 10 years (Level 10).
- 2) The herd of origin must be located in Wales in the Intermediate or High TB area, or in an area of England other than the Low Risk area.
- 3) The new keeper receiving the bovine animals must notify the Animal and Plant Health Agency of the movement of the bovine animals to premises located in the Low TB area of Wales.
- 4) The bovine animal must have been born into and have not moved from the herd of origin.
- 5) No bovine animal may be moved on or off premises if such movements would be contrary to any other notifiable disease restrictions in place at the time of the proposed movement.
- 6) Non-compliance with the terms of this licence is an offence under the Animal Health Act 1981.

Notes:

- i) Bovine animal means domestic cattle of the genus *Bos*, buffalo, or bison.
- ii) When a bovine animal is moved into the Low TB area from a herd located in the Intermediate or the High TB areas of Wales, or in the Edge or High Risk areas of England, or from Northern Ireland, the keeper who receives the animal must arrange and pay for a post-movement skin test to be undertaken on it by an approved veterinary surgeon no fewer than 60 days, but no more than 120 days, after the date of arrival at the receiving premises. This does not apply to certain specified movements, including any movement that is approved by the Welsh Ministers.
- iii) “The Low TB area” means all the land shaded and identified as the Low TB area on the deposited map of the Wales Regional TB areas.
- iv) Cattle Health Certification Standards (UK), abbreviated to CHeCS, is the regulatory body for Cattle Health Schemes in the UK and Ireland. It is a non-trading organisation, established by the British cattle industry for the control and eradication of non-statutory diseases by a set of standards to which all licensed Cattle Health Schemes must adhere.
- v) Contact details for the Animal and Plant Health Agency are:
Address/Cyfeiriad: Wales Field Services/Gwasanaethau Maes Cymru, Ty Merlin, Heol Glasdwr, Parc Pensarn, Carmarthen, SA31 2NF
Telephone/Ffôn: 0300 303 8268.