

ANIMAL HEALTH ACT 1981

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

GENERAL LICENCE TO MOVE BOVINE ANIMALS FROM A HOLDING IN THE LOW TB AREA OR AN INTERMEDIATE TB AREA OF WALES TO A NON-EXEMPT SHOW BEFORE A POST-MOVEMENT TUBERCULOSIS TEST HAS BEEN COMPLETED

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 holding in the low TB Area or an intermediate TB Area of Wales (as defined in the Tuberculosis (Wales) Order 2010) to a non-exempt agricultural show before a post-movement skin test has been completed, subject to the conditions of this licence.

This licence comes into force at 00:01 hrs on 27th April 2024.

Signed By 

Under the authority of the Cabinet Secretary for Climate Change & Rural Affairs, one of the Welsh Cabinet Secretaries

Dated 26th April 2024

Conditions:

- 1) The requirement to post-movement test in the low TB area follows a return of the bovine animals to the holding from a non-exempt agricultural show in the intermediate or the high TB areas of Wales, or in the edge area, or high-risk area of England.
- 2) The requirement to post-movement test in an intermediate TB area follows a return of the bovine animals to the holding from a non-exempt agricultural show in the high TB areas of Wales, or in the high-risk area of England.
- 3) Permitted movements under this licence are from the holding to either an exempt, or a non-exempt agricultural show followed by a direct return to the holding, or a movement direct to slaughter.
- 4) The movement must be from a certified Quarantine Unit, with a return to the certified Quarantine Unit.
- 5) On their return to the holding in the low TB area, the bovine animals must be kept in the certified Quarantine Unit until a post-movement test has been completed 60-120 days after the initial movement back from a

non-exempt agricultural show and a further post-movement test has been completed 60-120 days after the final movement back from a non-exempt agricultural show in the intermediate or the high TB areas of Wales, or in the edge or high-risk area in England.

- 6) On their return to the holding in an intermediate TB area, the bovine animals must be kept in the certified Quarantine Unit until a post-movement test has been completed 60-120 days after the initial movement back from a non-exempt agricultural show and a further post-movement test has been completed 60-120 days after the final movement back from a non-exempt agricultural show in the high TB areas of Wales, or in the high-risk area of England.
- 7) Bovine animals must be moved out of the Quarantine Unit immediately after satisfying the post-movement testing requirements.
- 8) The keeper must notify the Animal and Plant Health Agency, within 7 working days, of the date when a bovine animal is first moved into a certified Quarantine Unit used for this purpose and the date of the final movement of a bovine animal into the certified Quarantine Unit used for this purpose, which must be in the same calendar year.
- 9) No other animals can be kept in the certified Quarantine Unit, except other bovine animals to which this licence applies.
- 10) No bovine animals may be moved on or off the premises if such movements would be contrary to any other notifiable disease restrictions in place at the time of the proposed movement.
- 11) Non-compliance with the terms of this licence is an offence under the Animal Health Act 1981.
- 12) This licence can be revoked for a specified period, for any specified holding, at any time in writing by an inspector.

Notes:

- i) This licence is intended only for use for show cattle attending one, or more non-exempt agricultural shows located in Wales, or in England during a show season. This licence can also be used for show cattle attending exempt shows from the certified Quarantine Unit.
- ii) Bovine animal means domestic cattle of the genus *Bos*, buffalo, or bison.
- iii) An agricultural show will be classed as exempt if no bovine animals are to remain at the showground for a period of more than 24 hours or are to be 'housed' at the showground. 'Housed' in this context means in a covered area with or without sides, which includes marquees.

- iv) A certified Quarantine Unit is a Quarantine Unit certified by the Certification Body for the Welsh Government Quarantine Unit Scheme. Details at:

<http://www.qwfc.co.uk/index.php/en/quarantine-unit-scheme>.

- v) Under Article 13A of the Order.—

(1) There are three tuberculosis areas in Wales, which are the—

- (a) low TB area;
- (b) intermediate TB area;
- (c) high TB area.

(2) When a bovine animal is moved into the low TB area from a herd located in—

- (a) the intermediate TB area;
- (b) the high TB area;
- (c) the edge area, or high-risk area in England; or
- (d) Northern Ireland,

the keeper who receives the animal must arrange for a post-movement 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.

(2A) When a bovine animal is moved into the intermediate TB area from a herd located in—

- (a) the high TB area,
- (b) the high-risk area in England, or
- (c) Northern Ireland,

the keeper who receives the animal must arrange for a post-movement 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.

(3) Paragraph (2) does not apply to—

- (a) bovine animals that are slaughtered within 120 days of arrival at the receiving premises;
- (b) the movement of a bovine animal to a place for veterinary treatment provided that it is returned direct to its premises of origin after the treatment, or is killed or goes direct to slaughter;
- (c) any movements specified in Schedule 3; and

(d) any movement that is approved by the Welsh Ministers.

(4) Where a bovine animal is required to have a post-movement test under paragraph (2), no person may move that animal from the receiving premises until the skin test has been completed with a negative result unless the move is—

(a) directly (or via a slaughter gathering) to slaughter;

(b) to an approved finishing unit; or

(c) made under the authority of a movement licence issued by an inspector.

vi) “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.

vii) “An intermediate TB area” means all the land shaded and identified as an intermediate TB area on the deposited map of the Wales Regional TB areas.

viii) A map of risk areas of Great Britain can be found at: [Bovine TB Breakdown Map - Risk Areas, Great Britain | TB hub](#)

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