

## ANIMAL HEALTH ACT 1981

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

#### GENERAL LICENCE TO MOVE BOVINE ANIMALS FROM A NON-EXEMPT AGRICULTURAL SHOW IN THE LOW TB AREA OR AN INTERMEDIATE TB AREA OF WALES 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 non-exempt agricultural show in the low TB area or an intermediate TB area of Wales (as defined in the Tuberculosis (Wales) Order 2010) 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 27<sup>th</sup> April 2024.

Signed By 

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

Dated 26<sup>th</sup> April 2024

#### Conditions:

- 1) The non-exempt agricultural show is in the low TB area or an intermediate TB area of Wales.
- 2) No post-movement test is required before an animal can be moved from the show premises.
- 3) However, the keeper who receives the animals from the show must arrange for a post-movement test in accordance with Article 13A of the Tuberculosis (Wales) Order 2010 (as amended) if the destination holding is in:
  - the low TB area of Wales and the holding it originated from immediately prior to entering the show was a holding in an intermediate TB area of Wales, a high TB area of Wales, the edge area of England, the high-risk area of England or N.Ireland.
  - an intermediate TB area of Wales and the holding it originated from immediately prior to entering the show was a holding in a high TB area of Wales, the high-risk area of England or N.Ireland.

- 4) Where a bovine animal is required to have a post-movement test, no person may move that animal from the receiving premises until the skin test has been completed with negative results, unless the movement is directly (or via an approved slaughter gathering) to slaughter, directly to an approved finishing unit, or is made under the authority of a licence issued by an inspector.
- 5) No bovine animals may be moved on or off the agricultural show 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) 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.
- ii) Bovine animal means domestic cattle of the genus *Bos*, buffalo, or bison.
- iii) 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 the 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.

i) “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.

ii) “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.

iii) 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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