

# COMMISSION

## COMMISSION DECISION of 19 December 2001

### amending for the fourth time Decision 2001/740/EC concerning certain protection measures with regard to foot-and-mouth disease in the United Kingdom

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(Text with EEA relevance)

(2001/911/EC)

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Directive 90/425/EEC of 26 June 1990 concerning veterinary and zootechnical checks applicable in intra-Community trade in certain live animals and products with a view to the completion of the internal market <sup>(1)</sup>, as last amended by Directive 92/118/EEC <sup>(2)</sup>, and in particular Article 10 thereof,

Having regard to Council Directive 89/662/EEC of 11 December 1989 concerning veterinary checks in intra-Community trade with a view to the completion of the internal market <sup>(3)</sup>, as last amended by Directive 92/118/EEC, and in particular Article 9 thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) Commission Decision 2001/740/EC <sup>(4)</sup>, as last amended by Decision 2001/848/EC <sup>(5)</sup>, concerns certain protection measures with regard to foot-and-mouth disease in the United Kingdom.
- (2) Certain counties in Great Britain, which are listed in Annex III, have had no outbreak of foot-and-mouth disease during this epidemic, while others have remained free from the disease for more than 3 months. It appears therefore appropriate to further enlarge the area from which dispatch of certain meats is authorized.
- (3) The improved animal health situation would allow to lay down conditions for the controlled dispatch from certain areas in Great Britain of live susceptible animals to other Member States. However such conditions must take into account the provisions of Council Decision

98/256/EC concerning emergency measures to protect against bovine spongiform encephalopathy <sup>(6)</sup>.

- (4) Furthermore, because there have been very few outbreaks of foot-and-mouth disease in pigs and moreover the most important pig breeding and rearing areas in Great Britain have remained free of the disease throughout this epidemic, it appears appropriate to allow under controlled conditions the dispatch of live porcine animals from Great Britain to other Member States.
- (5) Certain residence and contact requirements necessary to ensure the certified health status may be reduced for pigs moving between holdings considered under the United Kingdom legislation as a single epidemiological group which would ensure that any movement of susceptible animals into one of the holdings subject to a single occupancy licence would prohibit the dispatch from any of the holdings covered by that licence under the terms of this Decision.
- (6) It is also considered appropriate to allow the collection of live animals for slaughter from a limited number of holdings situated in the areas listed in Annex III and consequently to adapt the disinfection requirements.
- (7) The test requirements for donor bulls and boars at semen collection centres situated in the areas listed in Annex III can be withdrawn and the certification of equidae dispatched from Great Britain can be eased.
- (8) The situation shall be reviewed at the meeting of the Standing Veterinary Committee scheduled for 15-16 January 2002 and the measures adapted where necessary.
- (9) The measures provided for in this Decision are in accordance with the opinion of the Standing Veterinary Committee,

<sup>(1)</sup> OJ L 224, 18.8.1990, p. 29.

<sup>(2)</sup> OJ L 62, 15.3.1993, p. 49.

<sup>(3)</sup> OJ L 395, 30.12.1989, p. 13.

<sup>(4)</sup> OJ L 277, 20.10.2001, p. 30.

<sup>(5)</sup> OJ L 315, 1.12.2001, p. 64.

<sup>(6)</sup> OJ L 113, 15.4.1998, p. 38.

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

*Article 1*

Decision 2001/740/EC is amended as follows:

1. Article 1 point 2 is replaced by the following:

‘2. no live animals of the bovine, ovine, caprine and porcine species and other biungulates are dispatched from or moved through those parts of its territory listed in Annex I and Annex II;

2.1. Without prejudice to the restrictions on movement of susceptible animals within and through Great Britain applied by the competent authorities of the United Kingdom, and derogating from the provisions in the first paragraph the competent authorities may authorize the direct and uninterrupted transit of biungulate animals through the areas listed in Annex I and Annex II on main roads and railway lines.

2.2. Without prejudice to the provisions of Council Directive 64/432/EEC (\*) and the restrictions on movement of susceptible animals within and through Great Britain applied by the competent authorities of the United Kingdom, and derogating from the provisions in the first paragraph the competent authorities may authorize the dispatch of live porcine animals under the following conditions:

- the animals have been reared within the areas specified in the appropriate column in Annex III,
- the dispatch of such animals is authorized by the competent veterinary authorities of the United Kingdom and notified at least three working days in advance to the competent central veterinary authorities in the Member State of destination and any Member State of transit,
- there has been no outbreak of foot-and-mouth disease in the county listed in Annex III during the past 90 days,
- during the past 30 days prior to loading, the animals have remained under the supervision of the competent veterinary authorities on a single holding situated within the areas listed in Annex III in the centre of a circle around the holding of at least 10 km radius where there has been no outbreak of foot-and-mouth disease during at least the past 30 days,
- no animal of species susceptible to foot-and-mouth disease has been introduced into the holding referred to in the fourth indent during the past 30 days prior to loading, except in the case of pigs coming from a supplying holding or holdings subject to a single occupancy licence which meet(s) the requirements laid down in the fourth indent, in which case this period may be reduced to 7 days,

— during transport such animals do not come into contact with animals not of the same holding of dispatch, unless all the animals are consigned for direct slaughter, in which case they may be collected en route from not more than three holdings referred to in the fourth indent,

— animals for breeding and production shall be consigned to not more than three holdings of destination in not more than one other Member State,

— the animals shall be transported under official control in means of transport that have been cleaned and disinfected before loading or collecting animals for dispatch outside the areas listed in Annex III from holdings referred to in the fourth indent,

— the health certificates provided for in Directive 64/432/EEC accompanying live porcine animals consigned from parts of the territory of the United Kingdom listed in Annex III to other Member States shall bear the following words:

“Animals conforming to Commission Decision 2001/740/EC of 19 October 2001 concerning certain protective measures with regard to foot-and-mouth disease in the United Kingdom.”

(\*) OJ 121, 29.7.1964, p. 1977/64.’

2. Article 2(2)(d) fifth and sixth indents are replaced by the following:

‘— no animal of species susceptible to foot-and-mouth disease has been introduced into the holding referred to in the fourth indent during the past 30 days prior to loading, or in the case of farmed game prior to on-farm slaughtering, except in the case of pigs coming from a supplying holding or holdings subject to a single occupancy licence which meet(s) the requirements laid down in the third indent, in which case this period may be reduced to 7 days,

— the animals or, in the case of farmed game slaughtered on the farm the carcasses, have been transported under official control in means of transport that have been cleaned and disinfected before loading or before collecting animals for slaughter for dispatch of fresh meat outside the areas listed in Annex III from holdings referred to in the fourth indent to the designated slaughterhouse which is situated in an area listed in Annex III.’

3. In Article 6(3)(c) the following words are added to the sixth indent:

‘However this test shall not be required for donor animals accommodated in semen collection centres referred to in the fourth indent situated in the areas listed in Annex III.’

4. Article 12(2) is deleted.
5. A new paragraph is added to Article 13 as follows:  
'3. Member States shall ensure that no live animals of susceptible species are moved out of a holding which had received live animals of susceptible species referred to in Article 1 point 2.2 during the previous 30 days. The competent authorities may reduce this stand-still period to not less than 7 days.'
6. The date of 31 January 2002 in Article 16 is replaced by '28 February 2002'.
7. Annex III is replaced by the Annex to the present Decision.

*Article 2*

This Decision is addressed to the Member States.

Done at Brussels, 19 December 2001.

*For the Commission*  
David BYRNE  
*Member of the Commission*

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## ANNEX

## 'ANNEX III

Group	ADNS	Administrative Unit	GIS	B	S/G	P	FG	WG	LP
Scottish Islands	82	Shetland Islands		+	+	+	+	+	+
		Shetland Islands	131						
	83	Orkney Islands		+	+	+	+	+	+
		Orkney Islands	123						
84	Western Islands			+	+	+	+	+	+
		NA H-Eileanan An Iar	124						
	85	Wick consisting of		+	+	+	+	+	+
		Part of Highland	121						
86	Elgin consisting of			+	+	+	+	+	+
		Moray	122						
	Part of Highland	121							
87	Inverness consisting of		+	+	+	+	+	+	
		Part of Highland	121						
88	Aberdeenshire consisting of			+	+	+	+	+	+
		Aberdeen City	128						
	Aberdeenshire	126							
89	Forfar consisting of			+	+	+	+	+	+
		Angus	79						
	Dundee City	81							
90	Perth consisting of			+	+	+	+	+	+
		Clackmannanshire	80						
	Perth & Kinross	90							
91	Cupar		+	+	+	+	+	+	
		Fife	127						
92	Edinburgh consisting of			+	+	+	+	+	+
		Falkirk	85						
		Midlothian	88						
		West Lothian	96						
		City of Edinburgh	129						
East Lothian	130								
93	Galashiels		+	+	+	+	-	-	
		Scottish Borders	92						
94	Stirling			+	+	+	+	+	+
		Stirling	94						
95	Oban		+	+	+	+	+	+	
		Argyll and Bute	125						



Group	ADNS	Administrative Unit	GIS	B	S/G	P	FG	WG	LP
09	Derbyshire consisting of	City of Derby	44	+	+	+	+	+	+
		Derbyshire County	142	+	+	+	+	+	-
10	Devon consisting of	Torbay	73	+	+	+	+	+	+
		City of Plymouth	136	+	+	+	+	+	+
		Devon County	170	+	+	+	+	+	-
11	Dorset consisting of	Dorset County	143	+	+	+	+	+	+
		Bournemouth	40						
		Poole	62						
13	Essex consisting of	Southend-on-Sea	67	+	+	+	+	+	+
		Essex County	146	+	+	+	+	+	-
		Thurrock	72	+	+	+	+	+	-
14	Gloucestershire consisting of	South Gloucestershire	68	+	+	+	+	+	-
		Gloucestershire County	147						
15	Hampshire consisting of	Hampshire County	148	+	+	+	+	+	+
		City of Portsmouth	135						
		City of Southampton	49						
16	Isle of Wight	Isle of Wight	114	+	+	+	+	+	+
17	Hereford & Worcester consisting of	Worcestershire County	167	+	+	+	+	+	-
		County of Herefordshire	51	+	+	+	+	+	-
18	Hertfordshire	Hertfordshire	149	+	+	+	+	+	+
20	Kent consisting of	Medway	57	+	+	+	+	+	-
		Kent County	150						
21	Lancashire consisting of	Blackburn with Darwen	38	+	+	+	+	+	+
		Blackpool	39	+	+	+	+	+	+
		Lancashire County	151	+	+	+	+	-	-



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	40	Surrey		+	+	+	+	+	+
		Surrey County	163						
	41	East Sussex consisting of		+	+	+	+	+	+
		Brighton & Hove	42						
		East Sussex County	145						
	42	West Sussex		+	+	+	+	+	+
		West Sussex County	165						
	43	Warwickshire		+	+	+	+	+	-
		Warwickshire County	164						
	44	Greater Manchester consisting of							
		Tameside District	30	+	+	+	+	+	+
		Oldham District	18	+	+	+	+	+	+
		Rochdale District	19	+	+	+	+	+	+
		Bury District	5	+	+	+	+	+	+
		Bolton District	3	+	+	+	+	+	+
		Salford District	21	+	+	+	+	+	+
		Trafford District	31	+	+	+	+	+	+
		Manchester District	15	+	+	+	+	+	+
		Stockport District	27	+	+	+	+	+	+
		Wigan District	34	+	+	+	+	+	-
	45	Wiltshire consisting of							
		Swindon	70	+	+	+	+	+	+
		Wiltshire County	166	+	+	+	+	+	-
	46	West Midlands consisting of		+	+	+	+	+	+
		Birmingham District	2						
		Dudley District	9						
		Sandwell District	22						
		Solihull District	25						
		Walshall District	33						
		Wolverhampton District	36						
		Coventry District	7						
	47	South Yorkshire consisting of		+	+	+	+	+	+
		Barnsley District	1						
		Doncaster District	8						
		Rotherham District	20						
		Sheffield District	24						
	49	West Yorkshire consisting of		+	+	+	+	-	+
		Wakefield District	32						
		Kirklees District	11						
		Calderdale District	6						



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	50	Beverley-North Yorkshire consisting of		+	+	+	+	-	+
		York	78						
		Selby District	177						
	51	Humberside consisting of		+	+	+	+	-	+
		East Riding of Yorkshire	53						
		City of Kingston upon Hull	45						
		North East Lincolnshire	60						
		North Lincolnshire	61						
Wales	52	Powys consisting of		+	+	+	+	+	-
		North Powys	174						
		South Powys	173						
	53	Gwynedd consisting of							
		Conwy	103	+	+	+	+	+	+
		Gwynedd	116	+	+	+	+	+	+
		Isle of Anglesey	115	+	+	+	+	+	-
	55	Dyfed consisting of		+	+	+	+	+	+
		Sir Gaerfyrddin-Carmarthenshire	110						
		Sir Ceredigion-Ceredigion	118						
		Sir Benfro-Pembrokeshire	119						
	56	Clwyd consisting of		+	+	+	+	+	+
		Sir Ddinbych-Denbigshire	108						
		Sir Y Fflint-Flintshire	111						
		Wrecsam-Wrexham	113						
	57	South Glamorgan consisting of		+	+	+	+	+	+
		Bro Morgannwg-The Vale of Glamorgan	99						
		Caerdydd-Cardiff	117						
	58	Mid Glamorgan consisting of							
		Caerffili-Caerphilly	100	+	+	+	+	+	-
		Merthyr Tudful-Merthyr Tydfil	104	+	+	+	+	+	+
		Pen-y-Bont Ar Ogwr-Bridgend	105	+	+	+	+	+	+
		Rhondda/Cyin/Taf-Rhondda/Cyon/Taff	107	+	+	+	+	+	-

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	59	West Glamorgan consisting of							
		Abertawe-Swansea	97	+	+	+	+	+	+
		Castell-Nedd Port Talbot-Neath Port Talbot	102	+	+	+	+	+	-
	60	Gwent consisting of							
		Blaneau Gwent — Blaneau Gwent	98	+	+	+	+	+	+
		Casnewydd-Newport	101	+	+	+	+	+	-
		Sir Fynwy — Monmouthshire	109	+	+	+	+	+	-
		Tor-Faen — Torfean	112	+	+	+	+	+	

ADNS = Animal Disease Notification System Code (Decision 2000/807/EC)

GIS = Administrative Unit Code

B = bovine meat

S/G = sheep and goat meat

P = pig meat

FG = farmed game of species susceptible to foot-and-mouth disease

WG = wild game of species susceptible to foot-and-mouth disease

LP = live pigs'