

Veterinary Medicines Directorate
**Department for Environment, Food and Rural
Affairs**
**Non-qualifying regulatory provision assurance
statement: confirmed**

The Regulatory Policy Committee (RPC) is content that, on the basis of the summary information provided, none of the measures or activities covered in the summary document should be considered as a qualifying regulatory provision for the purposes of the business impact target. This statement does not provide a detailed view of any specific activity in the regulator's summary document. Nor does it comment on any activities not included in the summary. Some activities might, however, have been the subject of separate assessments of qualifying regulatory provisions.

Regulatory Policy Committee

Regulator: Veterinary Medicines Directorate

Business Impact Target Reporting Period Covered: 1 April 2017 to 31st March 2018

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De minimis (measures with an EANDCB below +/- £5 million)	<p>The VMD has provided information covering April 17 to March 18, these figures will be broadly similar to those from June 17 to June 18.</p> <p>The VMD issued 154 marketing authorisations for veterinary medicines, and 20 animal test certificates for clinical trials for veterinary medicines.</p> <p>The VMD issued 271 warning letters and 55 advisory letters relating to illegal veterinary medicines. The VMD also issued 12 Seizure notices, 7 Improvement notices and referred 18 cases to our investigation team for further investigation. All these cases dealing with non-compliance with the Veterinary Medicines Regulations 2013 by businesses or the general public.</p> <p>The VMD completed 281 cases relating to medicinal claims for unauthorised medicinal products.</p> <p>The VMD carried out the following inspections:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 252 Feed Business Operators • 427 SQP retailers • 682 Vet practice premises • 51 veterinary medicines manufacturing sites • 51 veterinary medicines wholesale dealing sites <p>The VMD processed 6,898 reports of adverse events from veterinary medicines.</p> <p>The VMD issued 23,671 import certificates (certificates to authorise veterinary surgeons to import unauthorised medicines)</p> <p>The VMD issued 567 exports certificates for veterinary medicines</p> <p>The VMD took the following samples from food producing animals and their products for residues of veterinary medicines and prohibited substances: Samples taken – 38,419 Non-compliant results – 196</p> <p>None of the activities listed in this section represent a change in the burden of regulation placed on business.</p>

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	<p>Publicity events The VMD attended 11 events with the VMD publicity stand.</p> <p>The VMD also issued 3 editions of our enforcement newsletter to interested stakeholders which included facts and figures on enforcement work carried out.</p> <p>Attendance at educational and promotional events is not compulsory and none of the material produced creates a new regulatory standard that businesses will be expected to follow.</p> <p>The VMD is confident that all this activity falls below the de minimis threshold and is therefore out of scope of the BIT.</p>