

Scottish Government

**NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEASURES: ITALY  
THE BEE DISEASES AND PESTS CONTROL (SCOTLAND) ORDER 2007  
THE BEES ACT 1980  
THE TRADE IN ANIMALS AND RELATED PRODUCTS (SCOTLAND)  
REGULATIONS 2012**

The Scottish Ministers have reasonable grounds for suspecting the existence of small hive beetle (*Aethina tumida*) in the Calabria region of Italy.

Under article 11A(1) of the Bee Diseases and Pests Control (Scotland) Order 2007<sup>(1)</sup>, Scottish Ministers declare the following necessary special measures on importation into Scotland in order to prevent the introduction of small hive beetle:

**Prohibition of importation into Scotland**

1. Importation into Scotland of the following things originating in or dispatched from the Calabria region of Italy is prohibited:

- (a) honeybees (*Apis mellifera*);
- (b) bumble bees (*Bombus spp.*);
- (c) apiculture by-products which have not been subjected to any relevant temperature treatment, refinement or processing as referred to in points (a) and (b) of the fourth column (Import and transit conditions) of row 10 (Apiculture by-products) of Table 2 of Section 1 of Chapter II of Annex XIV to Commission Regulation (EU) No 142/2011<sup>(2)</sup>;
- (d) apiculture products in honeycomb intended for human consumption; and
- (e) used beekeeping equipment.

**Interpretation**

2. In this Notice:

- (a) “apiary” means an establishment which keeps honeybees or bumble bees;
- (b) “apiculture by-products” has the same meaning as in point 10 of Annex I to Commission Regulation (EU) No 142/2011;
- (c) “apiculture products” has the same meaning as in point 2 of Part IX of Annex II to Regulation (EU) No 1308/2013<sup>(3)</sup>;
- (d) “beehive” means a container used for keeping honeybees or bumble bees; and
- (e) “used beekeeping equipment” means used beehives, parts of beehives and utensils used in an apiary.

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<sup>(1)</sup> S.S.I. 2007/506. Article 11A was inserted by S.S.I. 2023/114.

<sup>(2)</sup> EUR 142/2011.

<sup>(3)</sup> EUR 1308/2013.

## Revocation

3. Under regulation 25(3) of the Trade in Animals and Related Products (Scotland) Regulations 2012<sup>(4)</sup>, Scottish Ministers declare that the Declaration of special measures in Scotland entitled 'DECLARATION OF SPECIAL MEASURES: ITALY' and made on 16 January 2023 is revoked.

## Duration of special measures

4. This Notice (including the revocation provided for in paragraph 3) applies from the beginning of the day after the day on which this Notice is made until this Notice is suspended, amended or revoked by further notice.

Date made: 25<sup>th</sup> May 2023

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***Importation of any thing in breach of this Notice is an offence under section 1(7) of the Bees Act 1980<sup>(5)</sup>.***

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<sup>(4)</sup> S.S.I. 2012/177. Regulation 25 was substituted by S.S.I. 2019/412 and amended by S.S.I. 2020/458.

<sup>(5)</sup> 1980 c. 12