

**DECLARATION OF SPECIAL MEASURES: BULGARIA  
THE TRADE IN ANIMALS AND RELATED PRODUCTS (WALES)  
REGULATIONS 2011 (SI 2011/2379 (W. 252))**

The Minister for Rural Affairs and North Wales, and Trefnydd has reasonable grounds for suspecting the existence of sheep pox and goat pox in Bulgaria, such that certain products originating from Bulgaria are liable to pose risk to animal health.

In exercise of the powers conferred by regulation 29(1) of the Trade in Animals and Related Products (Wales) Regulations 2011<sup>1</sup>, the Minister for Rural Affairs and North Wales, and Trefnydd declares the following special measures to be necessary in Wales in order to contain the risk to animal health:

**Suspension of entry into Wales**

1. Entry into Wales is suspended for untreated hides and skins of ovine and caprine animals originating from Bulgaria.
2. In paragraph 1 of this Declaration, “untreated hides and skins” have the same meaning as in Annex I to retained EU Regulation 142/2011<sup>2</sup>.

**Coming into force and duration of the special measures**

3. This Declaration of special measures comes into force on the day following the day on which this Declaration is made until this Declaration is revoked or amended by a further declaration.

Date made: 28<sup>th</sup> September 2023

Signed



Dr. Richard Irvine, Chief Veterinary Officer for Wales

***Import of animals or products in breach of this declaration is an offence under regulation 39 of the Trade in Animals and Related Products (Wales) Regulations 2011.***

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<sup>1</sup> S.I. 2011/2379 (W. 252). Regulation 29 was substituted by S.I. 2020/44 (W. 5) and amended by S.I. 2020/1612 (W. 337).

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