

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

The Welsh Ministers have reasonable grounds for suspecting the existence of lumpy skin disease in Japan, such that certain products originating from Japan are liable to pose risk to animal health.

Under regulation 29(1) of the Trade in Animals and Related Products (Wales) Regulations 2011¹, the Welsh Ministers declare the following special measures to be necessary in Wales in order to contain the risk to animal health:

Suspension of entry into Wales

1. Subject to paragraph 2, entry into Wales is suspended for hides and skins of bovine animals originating or dispatched from Japan.
2. The restrictions in paragraph 1 do not apply if the hides and skins have been subjected to any of the following treatments—
 - a. dry-salted or wet-salted for a period of at least 14 days prior to dispatch;
 - b. salted for a period of at least 7 days in sea salt with the addition of 2% of sodium carbonate; or
 - c. dried for a period of at least 42 days at a temperature of at least 20°C.
3. Subject to paragraph 4, entry into Wales is suspended for animal by-products of bovine animals originating or dispatched from Japan.
4. The restrictions in paragraph 3 do not apply—
 - a. if the animal by-products have undergone heat treatment to a minimum internal temperature of 65°C for at least thirty minutes; or
 - b. to the following animal by-products—
 - i. casings;
 - ii. gelatine;
 - iii. collagen;
 - iv. tallow;
 - v. hooves;
 - vi. horns.

Interpretation

5. In this declaration—
 - a. “animal by-products” means entire bodies or parts of animals, products of animal origin or other products obtained from animals, which are not intended for human consumption, excluding germinal products and untreated hides and skins;
 - b. “hides and skins” means all cutaneous and subcutaneous tissues.

Coming into force and duration of the special measures

6. The special measures in this Declaration apply from the beginning of the

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

day after the day on which this Declaration is made until this Declaration is revoked or amended by a further declaration.

Date made: **03 December 2024**

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'R. Irvine', written over a horizontal line.

Signed:
Dr Richard Irvine, MRCVS
Chief Veterinary Officer for Wales

A person duly authorised by the Welsh Ministers.

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.