

Scottish Government

**DECLARATION OF SPECIAL MEASURES: JAPAN
THE TRADE IN ANIMALS AND RELATED PRODUCTS (SCOTLAND)
REGULATIONS 2012**

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

Under regulation 25(1) of the Trade in Animals and Related Products (Scotland) Regulations 2012⁽¹⁾, Scottish Ministers declare the following necessary special measures in order to contain the risk to animal health:

Suspension of entry into Scotland of bovine products from Japan

1. Entry into Scotland is suspended of –
 - (a) hides and skins of bovine animals,
 - (b) animal by-products of bovine animals,

originating in or dispatched from Japan.

Exceptions

2. Suspension of entry does not apply to hides and skins originating in or dispatched from Japan that have been –
 - (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 seven 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. Suspension of entry of animal by products originating in or dispatched from Japan does not apply to –
 - (a) animal by products that have undergone heat treatment to minimum internal temperature of 65°C for at least 30 minutes, or
 - (b) the following animal by-products –
 - (i) casings,
 - (ii) gelatine,
 - (iii) collagen,
 - (iv) tallow,
 - (v) hooves,
 - (vi) horns.

⁽¹⁾ [S.S.I. 2012/177](#). Regulations 25 was substituted by S.S.I. 2019/412 and amended by S.S.I. 2020/458.

Interpretation

4. In this Declaration –

“hides and skins” means all cutaneous and subcutaneous tissues.

“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 hides and skins, oocytes, embryos and semen.

Duration of special measures

3. The special measures in this Declaration apply from the beginning of the day after the day on which this Declaration is made until this Declaration is revoked or amended by further declaration.

Date made: 03 December 2024

Signed

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Import of a product in breach of this declaration is an offence under regulation 33 of the Trade in Animals and Related Products (Scotland) Regulations 2012.