DECLARATION OF SPECIAL MEASURES: IMPORTATION OF ANIMAL CASINGS FROM SUSCEPTIBLE ANIMALS FROM ESWATINI, HUNGARY AND SLOVAKIA THE TRADE IN ANIMALS AND RELATED PRODUCTS REGULATIONS 2011 (SI 2011/1197)

The Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs has reasonable grounds for suspecting the existence of foot-and-mouth disease in Eswatini, Hungary and Slovakia such that animal casings from susceptible animals originating in Eswatini, Hungary and Slovakia are liable to pose a risk to animal health.

Under regulation 29(1) of the Trade in Animals and Related Products Regulations 2011¹, the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs declares the following special measures to be necessary in England in order to contain the risk to animal health.

Amendment of the existing declaration

- 1. The Declaration of Special Measures: Importation of animal casings from susceptible animals from certain third countries and territories made by the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs on 16 January 2025² ("the Declaration") is amended in accordance with paragraph 2.
- 2. In the Declaration
 - a. in Annex 1. in the table
 - i. omit "27. Eswatini";
 - ii. omit "37. Hungary";
 - iii. omit "67. Slovakia"; and
 - iv. insert "78. Germany".

Interpretation

- 3. In this Declaration—
 - a. "animal casings" means intestines and bladders that, after cleaning, have been processed by tissue scraping, defatting and washing, and have been treated with salt; and
 - b. "susceptible animals" means bovine, ovine, caprine or porcine animals.

Revocation of previous measures

4. The "Declaration of Special Measures: Importation of Animal Casings from Susceptible Animals from Hungary, Austria and Slovakia" made by the Secretary of State on 14 May 2025 is revoked.

Coming into force of the Declaration

5. The revocation in paragraph 4 and the special measures in this Declaration come into force on the day following the day on which the Declaration is made.

¹ S.I. 2011/1197. Regulation 29 was amended by S.I. 2019/1488 and S.I 2020/1462.

² Available here:

 $https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/media/6789337669b9b76c761d0527/England_Safeguard_Declaration_Casings_and_GBHC370.pdf$

Date made: 24 June 2025

Signed: Dr Balazs Toth, Lead Assessor, UK Office for SPS Trade Assurance

A person duly authorised by the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs

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