Scottish Government

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

The Scottish Ministers have reasonable grounds for suspecting the existence of footand-mouth disease in Slovakia, such that products originating from Slovakia 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 products

- **1.** Entry into Scotland of the following products originating from Slovakia is suspended:-
- (a) hay and straw,
- (b) the following products not intended for human consumption obtained from a susceptible animal, unless they are an intermediate product, research and diagnostic samples or trade samples: -
 - (i) rendered fats, except rendered fats not for uses in the feed chain for farmed animals, for petfood or for feed to fur animals, and which have been subjected to any of the processing methods 1 to 5 as referred to in Chapter 3 of Annex 4 to Commission Regulation (EU) No 142/2011,
 - (ii) fat derivatives, unless subjected to one of the following processes
 - (aa) any of the processing methods 1 to 5 as referred to in Chapter 3 of Annex 4 to Commission Regulation (EU) No 142/2011,
 - (bb) transesterification or hydrolysis at a temperature of at least 200°C, under corresponding appropriate pressure, for at least 20 minutes (glycerol, fatty acids and esters),
 - (cc) saponification with NaOH 12M (glycerol and soap) in a batch process at 95°C for three hours or in a continuous process at 140°C 2 bars (2000 hPa) for eight minutes, or
 - (dd) hydrogenation at 160 °C at 12 bars (12000 hPa) for 20 minutes,

^{(1) &}lt;u>S.S.I. 2012/177</u>. Regulations 25 was substituted by S.S.I. 2019/412 and amended by S.S.I. 2020/458.

- (iii) milk, milk-based products, and milk-derived products,
- (iv) manure,
- (v) hides and skins, except
 - (aa) hides and skins having undergone the complete process of tanning,
 - (bb) 'wet blue',
 - (cc) 'pickled pelts', and
 - (dd) limed hides (treated with lime and in brine at a pH of 12 to 13 for at least eight hours),
- (vi) game trophies or other preparations consisting of entire anatomical parts, not having been treated in any way,
- (vii) treated game trophies or other preparations, being solely comprised of bones, horns, hooves, claws, antlers or teeth, except those referred to in paragraph 1 of Section 5 of Chapter 2 of Annex 14 to Commission Regulation (EU) No 142/2011, unless they have
 - (aa) been immersed in boiling water for an appropriate time so as to ensure that any matter other than bone, horns, hooves, claws, antlers or teeth is removed, and
 - (bb) been disinfected with hydrogen peroxide where parts consisting of bone are concerned.
- (viii) treated game trophies or other preparations comprised of hides and skins, except those referred to in paragraph 1 of Section 5 of Chapter 2 of Annex 14 to Commission Regulation (EU) No 142/2011,
- (ix) pig bristles, unless they have been boiled for a minimum of one hour,
- (x) wool or hair, unless it complies with sub-paragraph (c) or (d) of Article 25(2) of Commission Regulation (EU) No 142/2011,
- (xi) bones and bone products, horns and horn products and hooves and hoof products intended for use other than as feed material, organic fertilisers or soil improvers, unless subjected to one of the treatments referred to in points (iii), (iv) and (v) of paragraph 2(d) in Section 7 of Chapter 2 of Annex 14 to Commission Regulation (EU) No 142/2011, confirmed in the commercial document accompanying the consignment by the competent authority supervising the establishment of origin,

- (xii) pet food, including dogchews, except
 - (aa) canned petfood or extruded dry pet food,
 - (bb) processed petfood, where the processed petfood has been subjected to one of the treatments referred to in points (i), (ii), (iii) or (v) of paragraph 3(b) of Chapter 2 of Annex 13 to Commission Regulation (EU) No 142/2011, and
 - (cc) dogchews produced from material of animal origin other than untanned hides and skins.
- (xiii) blood products obtained from an ungulate animal, unless subjected to one of the following processes and followed by an effectiveness check
 - (aa) heat treatment at a temperature of 65 °C for at least three hours,
 - (bb) irradiation at 25 kGy by gamma rays,
 - (cc) for blood products obtained from ungulate animals other than *Suidae* or *Tayassuidae*, a change in pH to pH 5 for two hours,
 - (dd) heat treatment of at least 80 °C throughout their substance.

Interpretation

- 2. In this Declaration,
- (a) "susceptible animal" means cattle, a sheep, goat, deer, camel, llama, alpaca, guanaco, vicuna, any other ruminant, any swine (that is, a member of the suborder *Suina* of the order *Artiodactyla*), or an elephant.
- (b) "Commission Regulation (EU) No. 142/2011" means Commission Regulation (EU) No 142/2011 of 25 February 2011 implementing Regulation (EC) No 1069/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council laying down health rules as regards animal by-products and derived products not intended for human consumption and implementing Council Directive 97/78/EC as regards certain samples and items exempt from veterinary checks at the border under that Directive (2).
- **3.** Expressions used in this Declaration that are also used in Commission Regulation (EU) No. 142/2011, or Regulation (EC) No 1069/2009 of the European

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⁽²⁾ EUR 2011/142.

Parliament and of the Council of 21 October 2009 laying down health rules as regards animal by-products and derived products not intended for human consumption and repealing Regulation (EC) No 1774/2002(3), have the same meaning in this Declaration as they have in those instruments, as the context may require.

Revocation of previous measures

4. The "Declaration of Special Measures: Hungary and Slovakia" made by Scottish Ministers on 24 June 2025 is revoked

Duration of special measures

5. The revocation in paragraph 4 and 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: 17 September 2025

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.

⁽³⁾ EUR 2009/1069.