

DECLARATION OF SPECIAL MEASURES: IMPORTATION OF ANIMAL CASINGS FROM SUSCEPTIBLE ANIMALS FROM GREECE

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 Greece such that animal casings from susceptible animals originating from Greece are liable to pose a risk to animal health.

In exercise of the powers conferred by regulation 29(1) and (3) 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 2025 (as amended)² (“the Declaration”) is amended in accordance with paragraph 2.
2. In the Declaration—
 - a. in Annex 1, in the table, omit “31. Greece”.

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.

Coming into force of this declaration

4. This declaration comes into force on the day following the day on which it is made.

Date made: 18 March 2026

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

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