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**The Trade in Animals and Related
Products (Amendment and
Legislative Functions) and Animal
Health (Miscellaneous
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(Amendment) Order 2025**

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

The Trade in Animals and Related Products (Amendment and Legislative Functions) and Animal Health (Miscellaneous Amendments) (Wales) (EU Exit) Regulations 2022 (S.I. 2022/1348 (W. 271)) (“the 2022 Regulations”) addressed failures of assimilated law to operate effectively and corrected other deficiencies which arose from the withdrawal of the United Kingdom from the European Union and amended the Trade in Animals and Related Products (Wales) Regulations 2011 (S.I. 2011/2379 (W. 252)).

This Order corrects an error in the 2022 Regulations by amending the modification made to Directive 2009/156 to enable Orders made under section 10 of the Animal Health Act 1981 to determine the period in which Equidae may be dispatched from territories considered to be infected with African horse sickness.

The Welsh Ministers’ Code of Practice on the carrying out of Regulatory Impact Assessments was considered in relation to this Order. As a result, it was not considered necessary to carry out a regulatory impact assessment as to the likely costs and benefits of complying with this Order.

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Made 27 March 2025

Laid before Senedd Cymru 28 March 2025

Coming into force 31 March 2025

The Welsh Ministers make this Order in exercise of the powers conferred by section 10(1) of the Animal Health Act 1981⁽¹⁾.

(1) 1981 c. 22 (“the 1981 Act”). Section 10 was amended by S.I. 1990/2371 and 1993/1813. Functions of “the Ministers” under the 1981 Act (as defined in section 86(1) of that Act) were transferred, so far as exercisable by the Secretary of State for Wales in relation to Wales, to the National Assembly for Wales by the National Assembly for Wales (Transfer of Functions) Order 1999 (S.I. 1999/672). The joint functions of “the Ministers”, so far as exercisable by the Secretary of State for Scotland in relation to Wales, were transferred to the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food by the Transfer of Functions (Agriculture and Food) Order 1999 (S.I. 1999/3141). All functions of the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food were then further transferred to the Secretary of State by the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food (Dissolution) Order 2002 (S.I. 2002/794). Functions of the Secretary of State were transferred to the National Assembly for Wales by the National Assembly for Wales (Transfer of Functions) Order 2004 (S.I. 2004/3044). The functions of the National Assembly for Wales are now exercisable by the Welsh Ministers by virtue of section 162 of, and paragraph 30 of Schedule 11 to, the Government of Wales Act 2006 (c. 32).

Title and coming into force

1.—(1) The title of this Order is the Trade in Animals and Related Products (Amendment and Legislative Functions) and Animal Health (Miscellaneous Amendments) (Wales) (EU Exit) (Amendment) Order 2025.

(2) This Order comes into force on 31 March 2025.

Amendment of the Trade in Animals and Related Products (Amendment and Legislative Functions) and Animal Health (Miscellaneous Amendments) (Wales) (EU Exit) Regulations 2022

2.—(1) The Trade in Animals and Related Products (Amendment and Legislative Functions) and Animal Health (Miscellaneous Amendments) (Wales) (EU Exit) Regulations 2022⁽¹⁾ are amended as follows.

(2) In regulation 18 (modifications to directive 2009/156), for paragraph (6)(e)(ii) substitute—

“(ii) in point (a), for “in accordance with the procedure referred to in Article 21(3)” there were substituted “by an Order made by the Welsh Ministers under section 10 of the Animal Health Act 1981”.

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Ministers

27 March 2025

(1) S.I. 2022/1348 (W. 271).