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PART III

SUSPICION AND CONFIRMATION OF SWINE VESICULAR DISEASE

CHAPTER 3

Killing pigs and initial cleansing and disinfection

Killing pigs on the infected premises

19. The Department shall immediately on declaring infected premises, kill all the pigs on the premises.

Removal of carcasses and initial cleansing

20.—(1) The Department shall—

- (a) remove all carcasses, tissue and blood from the infected premises; and
- (b) dispose of them in such a way as to avoid the risk of swine vesicular disease virus spreading.

(2) The Department shall treat with disinfectant—

- (a) all parts of the premises (other than fields, slurry lagoons and other parts of the premises where the disinfectant would have no effect) and all equipment to which the pigs have had access, and
- (b) anything contaminated during killing,

and ensure that disinfectant remains on the treated surfaces for at least 24 hours.

Conservation and related measures

21.—(1) The Department may decide not to kill pigs—

- (a) kept in—
 - (i) a zoo or wildlife park; or
 - (ii) premises approved for the purposes of intra-Community trade in porcine semen, ova or embryos;
- (b) kept for—
 - (i) display;
 - (ii) educational purposes;
 - (iii) scientific research or breeding for such research; or

(iv) purposes related to conservation of species or genetic resource.

(2) Where the Department decides not to kill such pigs, a veterinary inspector may serve a notice on the occupier of the premises on which they are kept detailing the biosecurity arrangements that the occupier must follow to reduce the risk of spread of swine vesicular disease virus, and failure to comply with such a notice is an offence.