

**2004 No. 147**

**MEDICINES**

**The Animals and Animal Products (Examination for Residues and Maximum Residue Limits) (Amendment) Regulations 2004**

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The Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, being designated<sup>(a)</sup> for the purposes of section 2(2) of the European Communities Act 1972<sup>(b)</sup> in relation to medicinal products and the Common Agricultural Policy of the European Community, in exercise of the powers conferred on her by that section, after carrying out the consultation required by Article 9 of Regulation (EC) No. 178/2002 of the European Parliament and of the Council (laying down the general principles and requirements of food law, establishing the European Food Safety Authority and laying down procedures in matters of food safety)<sup>(c)</sup> makes the following Regulations:

**Title, commencement and interpretation**

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Animals and Animal Products (Examination for Residues and Maximum Residue Limits) (Amendment) Regulations 2004 and shall come into force on 23rd February 2004.

**Amendment of the Animals and Animal Products (Examination for Residues and Maximum Residue Limits) Regulations 1997**

2.—(1) The Animals and Animal Products (Examination for Residues and Maximum Residue Limits) Regulations 1997<sup>(d)</sup> shall be amended in accordance with this regulation.

(2) In regulation 6 (prohibition on administration to animals of unlicensed substances or products), paragraph (1), after the words “Annexes I, II and III of the Council Regulation”, add the following text:

“, as read with Commission Decision 2000/68/EC<sup>(e)</sup>.”.

26th January 2004

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(a) S.I. 1972/1811.  
(b) 1972 c. 68  
(c) OJ No. L31, 1.2.2002, p. 1.  
(d) S.I. 1997/1729, amended by S.I. 2001/3590.  
(e) OJ No. L23, 28.1.2000, p. 72.

## EXPLANATORY NOTE

*(This note is not part of the Regulations)*

These Regulations further amend the Animals and Animal Products (Examination for Residues and Maximum Residue Limits) Regulations 1997.

The amendment reflects EC law in the area of horse passports, namely, Commission Decision 2000/68/EC of 22nd December 1999 amending Commission Decision 93/623/EEC and establishing the identification of equidae for breeding and production, insofar as it calls for qualification of the prohibition in the 1997 Regulations against the use in food producing animals of veterinary medicinal products containing substances not listed in Annexes I, II or III to Council Regulation (EEC) No. 2377/90 of 26th June 1990 laying down a Community procedure for the establishment of maximum residue limits of veterinary medicinal products in foodstuffs of animal origin (OJ No. L224, 18.8.90, p. 1).

A full regulatory impact assessment has not been produced for this instrument as it has no impact on the costs of business.

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