

SCHEDULE 3

Articles 15(5), 28(2), 28(3), 29(2), 29(3),
30(3), 37(6), 43(3) and 55(2)

Cleansing and Disinfection of premises

PART 1

General procedures for cleansing and disinfection of premises

1. This Part applies to all cleansing and disinfection of premises (including cleansing and disinfection of vehicles, equipment and other things liable to spread disease on those premises).

2. The Secretary of State may by notice served on the occupier of any premises direct that any cleansing and disinfection operation shall be carried out by that person and such a notice shall state whether such cleansing and disinfection is to be carried out at the expense of that person or at the expense of the Secretary of State.

3. Every person carrying out cleansing or disinfection under this Schedule shall do so in accordance with any additional directions given by an inspector.

4. Used litter and faecal matter shall be thoroughly soaked with disinfectant.

5. All surfaces which may be contaminated shall be brushed and scrubbed thoroughly, in particular floors, ramps, walls and the ground, followed by an application of disinfectant.

6. Equipment or other things obstructing thorough cleansing and disinfection shall be moved or dismantled where this is reasonably practicable.

7. Water used for cleansing shall be disposed of so as to minimise the risk of the spread of disease.

8. Washing of surfaces with liquids under pressure shall be carried out so as to minimise any risk of contamination.

9. Equipment, installations or other things which may be contaminated shall be cleansed and disinfected or destroyed.

10.—(1) Every person carrying out a cleansing and disinfection operation shall ensure that a written record of it is made.

(2) The record shall include the date and time of the operation.

(3) The person in charge of a vehicle which is cleansed and disinfected under this Schedule shall ensure, so far as is possible, that the record is kept with the vehicle at all times.

PART 2

Cleansing and disinfection of infected premises

11. This Part applies to the cleansing and disinfection of infected premises.

CHAPTER 1

Preliminary disinfection of infected premises

12. Cleansing and disinfection shall be carried out during and immediately following slaughter so as to minimise the risk of disease spread and in accordance with the directions of an inspector.

13. Following slaughter—

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- (a) every carcase shall be sprayed with disinfectant;
 - (b) carcases removed from the premises for disposal shall be contained in covered, leak-proof containers;
 - (c) all parts of the premises which housed susceptible animals, and any buildings and yards or other surfaces which may have been contaminated during or after slaughter, shall be sprayed with disinfectant.
14. Disinfectant shall not be removed for at least 24 hours after application.

CHAPTER 2

Final cleansing and disinfection of infected premises

15. Grease and dirt shall be removed from all surfaces by the application of a degreasing agent and washed with water or steam.
16. Following degreasing and washing with water or steam, disinfectant shall be reapplied.
17. At least seven days after the reapplication of disinfectant, the operations in paragraphs 15 and 16 shall be repeated, followed by final washing with water or steam.

PART 3

Disinfection of contaminated used litter, manure and slurry

18. This Part applies to the disinfection of contaminated used litter, manure and slurry on premises.
19. Unless otherwise directed by the Secretary of State by notice served on the occupier, the used litter and the solid phase of manure shall be—
- (a) stacked to heat by adding 100kg granulated quick lime to each 1m³ of material;
 - (b) heated to a temperature of at least 70°C throughout, sprayed with disinfectant and left for a period of at least 42 days; and
 - (c) covered or re-stacked during the period referred to in (b) so as to ensure thermic treatment of all layers of the stack.
- 20.—(1) Unless otherwise directed by the Secretary of State by notice served on the occupier, slurry and the liquid phase of manure shall be stored for at least the period in sub-paragraph (2) after the last addition of infective material.
- (2) The period for the purposes of sub-paragraph (1) is 42 days or such other period as the Secretary of State directs by notice served on the occupier having taken into account—
- (a) the extent of the contamination;
 - (b) the weather conditions; and
 - (c) the pH of the substance after disinfection and its likely effect on the disease virus.

PART 4

Special cases

21. Where the Secretary of State is satisfied that cleansing and disinfection of premises cannot be completed in accordance with Parts 1 to 3 of this Schedule, she shall serve a notice on the occupier notifying him of that opinion and paragraph 22 then applies to those premises.

22. Cleansing and disinfection of premises to which this paragraph applies shall be carried out in accordance with the directions of an inspector.