
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2011 No. 2883

The Non-Commercial Movement of Pet Animals Order 2011

PART 1

General

Title, extent and commencement

- 1.—(1) This Order may be cited as the Non-Commercial Movement of Pet Animals Order 2011.
(2) It extends to Great Britain.
(3) It comes into force on 1st January 2012.

Interpretation

- 2.—(1) In this Order—

“the appropriate authority” means—

- (a) in relation to England, the Secretary of State,
- (b) in relation to Scotland, the Scottish Ministers,
- (c) in relation to Wales, the Welsh Ministers;

“carrier” means any undertaking carrying goods or passengers for hire by land, sea or air;

“Decision [2003/459/EC](#)” means Commission Decision [2003/459/EC](#) on certain protection measures with regard to monkey pox virus⁽¹⁾;

“Decision [2006/146/EC](#)” means Commission Decision [2006/146/EC](#) on certain protection measures with regard to certain fruit bats, dogs and cats coming from Malaysia (Peninsula) and Australia⁽²⁾;

“Decision [2007/25/EC](#)” means Commission Decision [2007/25/EC](#) as regards certain protection measures in relation to highly pathogenic avian influenza and movements of pet birds accompanying their owners into the Community;

“health certificate” means a certificate issued in accordance with Article 8(2) of the Pets Regulation;

“local authority” has the meaning given in article 3;

“pet bird” has the same meaning as in Decision [2007/25/EC](#);

“the Pets Regulation” means Regulation (EC) No 998/2003 of the European Parliament and of the Council on the animal health requirements applicable to the non-commercial movement of pet animals and amending Council Directive [92/65/EEC](#);

“the supplementary Regulation” means Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) No 1152/2011 supplementing Regulation (EC) No 998/2003 of the European Parliament and of the

(1) OJ No L 154, 21.6.2003, p112.

(2) OJ No L 55, 25.2.2006, p44.

Council as regards preventive health measures for the control of *Echinococcus multilocularis* infection in dogs⁽³⁾.

(2) Terms and expressions used in this Order and in the Pets Regulation have the same meaning as in the Pets Regulation.

(3) In this Order—

(a) any reference to Decision [2007/25/EC](#) is a reference to that Decision as amended from time to time, and

(b) any reference to Annex I or II to the Pets Regulation is a reference to that Annex to that Regulation as amended from time to time.

Meaning of local authority

3.—(1) In England, “local authority” means—

(a) where there is, within the meaning of the Local Government Changes for England Regulations 1994⁽⁴⁾, a unitary authority, that authority,

(b) where there is not a unitary authority—

(i) in a metropolitan district, the council of that district,

(ii) in a non-metropolitan county, the council of that county,

(iii) in a London borough, the council of that borough,

(c) in the City of London, the Common Council, or

(d) in the Isles of Scilly, the Council.

(2) In Scotland, “local authority” means a council constituted under section 2 of the Local Government etc. (Scotland) Act 1994⁽⁵⁾.

(3) In Wales, “local authority” means a county council or a county borough council.

Designation

4.—(1) The appropriate authority—

(a) is the competent authority for the purposes of Article 5(1)(b) of the Pets Regulation, and

(b) acts as the member State for the purposes of Article 1(1) of Decision [2007/25/EC](#).

(2) The appropriate authority and the local authority are the competent authorities for the purposes of—

(a) Article 12 of the Pets Regulation, and

(b) Article 2(1) of Decision [2007/25/EC](#).

⁽³⁾ OJ No L 296, 15.11.2011, p6.

⁽⁴⁾ [S.I. 1994/867](#); relevant amending instruments are [S.I. 1996/611](#) and [2008/2867](#).

⁽⁵⁾ [1994 c.39](#).