

WELSH STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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The Equine Identification (Wales) Regulations 2019

PART 3

Equines living under wild or semi-wild conditions

Exceptions in respect of certain wild or semi-wild equines

16.—(1) The derogation in Article 13 applies in relation to equines that are—

- (a) identified in the lists kept by the Hill Pony Improvement Societies of Wales ; or
- (b) identified in the lists kept by the Cymdeithas Merlod y Carneddau.

(2) For the purposes of Article 13, as read with Article 43(3), the areas (“designated areas”) defined by the Welsh Ministers containing wild or semi-wild equines that do not need to be identified with IDs while they remain within the designated areas are those areas notified by the Welsh Ministers to the Commission on 17 September 2009.

(3) For the purposes of Article 13(1), wild or semi-wild equines transferred under official supervision from one of the lists described in paragraph (1) to the other list described in paragraph (1) do not need to be identified with IDs.

(4) Wild or semi-wild equines living on a designated area must be identified with an ID when they are brought into domestic use.

Commencement Information

I1 Reg. 16 in force at 12.2.2019, see [reg. 1\(1\)](#)

Requirement for ID and transponder for wild or semi-wild equines treated with veterinary medicinal products

17. If a wild or semi-wild equine without an ID in a designated area is treated with any veterinary medicinal product, the responsible person must ensure that the equine has an ID and is implanted with a transponder—

- (a) in accordance with the EU Regulation; and
- (b) within 30 days of the treatment.

Commencement Information

I2 Reg. 17 in force at 12.2.2019, see [reg. 1\(1\)](#)

Wild and semi-wild equines: requirement for ID for movement from designated area

18. Subject to regulation 19, the responsible person may not move a wild or semi-wild equine without an ID out of a designated area.

Commencement Information

I3 Reg. 18 in force at 12.2.2019, see [reg. 1\(1\)](#)

Exception to requirement for ID: wild or semi-wild equines moved for welfare reasons or for slaughter

19.—(1) The responsible person may move a wild or semi-wild equine out of a designated area without an ID if—

- (a) the equine is being moved out of the designated area temporarily and for welfare reasons; or
- (b) the equine—
 - (i) is aged under 12 months and has visible dental stars of the temporary lateral incisors;
 - (ii) is being moved directly from the designated area in which it was born to a place for slaughter (whether or not for the purpose of human consumption);
 - (iii) has not previously been treated with any veterinary medicinal product; and
 - (iv) has a sticker issued by an issuing body attached to it before it leaves the designated area, and the sticker must be marked with a unique identification number and the date on which it was attached to the equine.

(2) The responsible person must ensure that an equine falling within paragraph (1)(b) is slaughtered within 7 days of the date shown on the sticker.

Commencement Information

I4 Reg. 19 in force at 12.2.2019, see [reg. 1\(1\)](#)

Requirements for wild or semi-wild equines aged 12 months or over moved for slaughter

20.—(1) This regulation applies to a wild or semi-wild equine that is—

- (a) aged 12 months or over; and
- (b) being moved from a designated area to a place for slaughter (whether or not for the purpose of human consumption).

(2) The responsible person must ensure that the equine has (in addition to an ID) a sticker issued by an issuing body attached to it before it leaves the designated area, and the sticker must be marked with a unique identification number and the date on which it was attached to the equine.

(3) The responsible person must ensure that an equine falling within paragraph (1) is slaughtered within 7 days of the date shown on the sticker.

Commencement Information

I5 Reg. 20 in force at 12.2.2019, see [reg. 1\(1\)](#)

Requirements for wild or semi-wild equines moved other than for slaughter

21.—(1) This regulation applies to a wild or semi-wild equine that is—

- (a) of any age; and
- (b) being moved from a designated area to another place (the “holding destination”) for a purpose other than for slaughter.

(2) The responsible person must ensure that the equine has (in addition to an ID) a sticker issued by an issuing body attached to it before it leaves the designated area, and the sticker must be marked with a unique identification number and the date on which it was attached to the equine.

(3) The responsible person must ensure that an equine falling within paragraph (1) reaches its holding destination within 7 days of the date shown on the sticker.

(4) The responsible person must ensure that a transponder is implanted into the equine before the expiry of the period of 30 days beginning with the day on which the equine arrives at the holding destination.

(5) Unless temporarily or for welfare reasons, the responsible person must ensure that the equine is not moved out of the holding destination until the transponder has been implanted.

Commencement Information

16 Reg. 21 in force at 12.2.2019, see [reg. 1\(1\)](#)

Changes to legislation:

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the The Equine Identification (Wales) Regulations 2019, PART 3.