

GUERNSEY STATUTORY INSTRUMENT

2003 NO 6

THE RABIES (AMENDMENT) ORDER, 2003.

Made	21 February	2003
Laid before the States		2003
Coming into effect	1 March	2003

The States Agriculture and Countryside Board, in pursuance of the powers conferred upon it by Section 1 of the Rabies (Bailiwick of Guernsey) Law, 1975 (a), as amended (b), and all other powers enabling it in that behalf hereby orders:

1. For Section 1(2) of the Rabies Order 1976 (c), as amended (d) there is substituted:

“1(2) The prohibition on landing contained in Subsection (1) of this Section shall not apply to:

- a) animals imported into the Islands under the authority of a licence issued by the Board under Section 1(3),
- b) animals imported into the Islands from the British Isles Rabies-Free Area, provided that such animals have never been outside of the combined territory of the Islands and the countries and territories in the said Area,
- c) a cat or dog imported into the Islands from Great Britain and Northern Ireland or the Republic of Ireland provided that it was the subject of a commercial transaction and was first imported into the said countries from another Member State of the European Community in accordance with the provisions of Council Directive 92/65/EEC (e),
- d) a cat or dog imported into the Islands from a country or territory specified in Schedule 5 that has first been landed in the British Isles Rabies-Free Area provided that either it:
  - i) meets all of the identification, health, certification and documentary requirements specified in Sections 1(9)(b) to (d) at the time of entry into the said Area; or

- ii) was imported into and held in quarantine in the said Area for a minimum of 6 months before being consigned to the Islands,
  
  - e) a pet rodent or rabbit imported into the Islands from a country or territory specified in Part 1 or section 1 of Part 2 of Schedule 5 provided that it:
    - i) meets the treatment requirements specified in Section 1(9)(c)(v), in accordance with such conditions as the Board shall specify in an Order made under Section 1(2)(A); or
    - ii) has first been imported into the British Isles Rabies-Free Area and meets the requirements specified in the said Section at the time of entry into the said Area,
  
  - f) a pet ferret imported into the Islands from a country or territory specified in Schedule 5 provided that it:
    - i) meets the treatment requirements specified in Section 1(9)(c)(v), in accordance with such conditions as the Board shall specify in an Order made under Section 1(2)(A); or
    - ii) has first been imported into the British Isles Rabies-Free Area and meets the requirements specified in the said Section at the time of entry into the said Area; or
    - iii) has first been imported into a country or territory specified in Part 1 of Schedule 5 and meets the treatment requirements specified in Sub-Section (ii) before it is consigned to the Islands”.
2. A new Section shall be added after Section 1(2), to be numbers 1(2)(A) as follows:
- “1(2)(A) Notwithstanding the provisions of Sections 1(2)(e) and (f), the importation of the animals specified in the said Sections shall be prohibited until such time and subject to such additional conditions as the Board shall specify by Order”.
3. Schedule 5 of the Rabies Order, 1976 shall be repealed and replaced by the contents of the Schedule 1 to this Order.
4. For the purposes of this Order:

- a) reference to the British Isles Rabies-Free Area shall mean the territory of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, the Republic of Ireland, Bailiwick of Jersey, Isle of Man and the Island of Alderney; and
- b) the following definitions shall apply;

“pet” means an animal of the specified species that is kept by man for interest or companionship and which is accompanied by the owner or a natural person responsible for such an animal on behalf of the owner during transportation to the Islands and which are not intended to be sold or transferred to another person.

“rodent” means any animal of the Order Rodnetia.

- 5. The Rabies (Amendment) Order, 2001 (f) is hereby revoked.
- 6. This Order may be cited as The Rabies (Amendment) Order, 2003 and shall come into force on 1 March 2003.

Dated this 21<sup>st</sup> day of February 2003

P.J.Roffey.  
President.



STATES AGRICULTURE AND COUNTRYSIDE BOARD.  
For and on behalf of the Board.

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- (a) Ordres en Conseil Volume XXV, p.368.
  - (b) No.VII of 1987.
  - (c) No.16 of 1976.
  - (d) No.2 of 1978, No.34 of 1986, No.9 of 2000, No. 20 of 2000 and No.2 of 2001
  - (e) Official Journal L268 p.54
  - (f) No.2 of 2001.

## **SCHEDULE 1**

## **SCHEDULE 5.**

### Part 1

Member States of the European Community excluding Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Republic of Ireland.

France does not include Martinique, Guadeloupe, French Guyana, La Réunion, French Polynesia, Wallis and Fortuna, Mayotte, St.Pierre and Miquelon and New Caledonia.

Norway does not include Svalbard.

Portugal includes Madeira and the Azores.

Spain includes the Canary Islands, but excludes Ceuta and Melilla.

### Part 2

#### Section 1

Andorra  
Iceland  
Liechtenstein  
Monaco  
Norway  
San Marino  
Switzerland  
The Vatican

#### Section 2

Antigua and Barbuda  
Ascension Island  
Australia  
Bahrain  
Barbados  
Bermuda  
Canada  
Cayman Islands  
Cyprus  
Falkland Islands

Fiji  
French Polynesia  
Gibraltar  
Guadeloupe  
Hawaii  
Jamaica  
Japan  
La Réunion  
Malta  
Martinique  
Mauritius  
Mayotte  
Montserrat  
New Caledonia  
New Zealand  
St.Helena  
St.Kitts and Nevis  
St.Vincent  
Singapore  
United States of America (including Alaska, but excluding Hawaii and any dependencies or other territories)  
Vanuatu  
Wallis and Fortuna

#### **EXPLANATORY NOTE.**

This Order introduces:

- revised arrangements for the importation into the Islands of cats and dogs under the Pet Travel Scheme that first enter the British Isles before they are consigned to the Islands,
- initial health conditions relating to the importation of pet rodents, rabbits and ferrets from certain countries or territories, however import remains prohibited pending the introduction of other arrangements that are necessary to extend all of the principles of the Pet Travel Scheme to such animals. These additional arrangements will be specified in due course.

It also revises the list of countries and territories from which cats and dogs can be sent to the Islands under the provisions of the Scheme to include Bahrain, Canada and the mainland USA.