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## The Bovine Products (Production and Despatch) Regulations 1997

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### Message

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**2. Member State**

United Kingdom



### 3. Department Responsible

Department of Trade and Industry: Standards and Technical Regulations Directorate

### 3. Originating Department

Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food: Animal health (BSE1) Division

### 4. Notification Number

97/0077/UK

### 5. Title

The Bovine Products (Production and Despatch) Regulations 1997

### 6. Products Concerned

Gelatin, tallow and tallow products, amino acids, peptides and products derived from tallow at 250°C or higher (oleochemicals).

### 7. Notification Under Another Act

Commission Decision 96/239/EC, as amended by Commission Decision 96/362/EC.

### 8. Main Content

These Regulations revoke and remake earlier Regulations which implement the provisions of Commission Decision 96/239 (as amended) in respect of meat, meat products, meat preparations

and petfood. They also give effect to the Decision, as it applies to controlled bovine by-products, i.e. gelatin, tallow amino acids, peptides and tallow products which have been derived by hydrolysis at 250°C or higher (oleochemicals).

These Regulations make provision controlling the production from bovine animals of gelatin, tallow, amino acids, peptides and oleochemicals, and concerning the export and use of such products. They regulate the consignment of material containing bovine vertebral column to establishments approved under the Regulations.

The Regulations provide for the registration and inspection of plants producing controlled bovine by-products and impose conditions on the production.

This notice covers Great Britain (GB) legislation. Northern Ireland are preparing parallel legislation which will be the subject of a separate notification.

### 9. Brief Statement of Grounds

The Regulations have been introduced to ensure compliance



with elements of Commission Decision 96/239, which is prerequisite to the resumption of the export of these products, or goods containing these products.

The Regulations will give legal effect to the conditions under which controlled bovine by-products derived from animals slaughtered in the UK, may be exported from the United Kingdom. For practical reasons we have found it necessary to introduce controls on all production of controlled bovine by-products for food, feed, cosmetic, medical or pharmaceutical use, thereby ensuring that all products exported will contain only controlled bovine by-products produced under approved conditions.

The exclusion of vertebral column from UK slaughtered bovines is requirement of the annex to the Commission Decision setting out the conditions which by products must meet if they are to be exported to other Member States. The only workable system for ensuring that this material is excluded from the manufacture of any bovine by-product is to exclude all vertebral column, including imported vertebral column, from bovine by-product production in the UK unless it can be demonstrated that all of the raw materials used are imported. this requirement is included as par of the Regulations.

#### **10. Reference Documents - Basic Texts**

i. The Draft Bovine Products (Production and Despatch) Regulations 1997

ii. The draft was previously notified on 29 January 1997 (97/0051/UK). Under the requirements of paragraph three Article 8(1), due to a change in the Regulations we are hereby re-notifying the draft Regulations.

#### **11. Invocation of the Emergency Procedure**

Yes

#### **12. Grounds for the Emergency**

To ensure that GB production of controlled bovine by-products conforms with the conditions set out in the Commission Decision as quickly as possible. In view of the public health and consumer confidence importance of BSE issues, use of the urgency procedure is considered vital.

#### **13. Confidentiality**

No

#### **14. Fiscal measures**

No



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