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THE BOVINE EMBRYO COLLECTION AND TRANSFER REGULATIONS 1992 ////

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2. Member State

UNITED KINGDOM

3. Department Responsible

DEPARTMENT OF TRADE AND INDUSTRY: STANDARDS, QUALITY AND
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3. Originating Department

MINISTRIES OF AGRICULTURE, FISHERIES AND FOOD

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5. Title

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6. Products Concerned

BOVINE EMBRYOS PRODUCED AS A RESULT OF IN-VIVO FERTILISATION
DESTINED FOR THE DOMESTIC MARKET AND BOVINE EMBRYOS
TRANSFERRED INTO RECIPIENTS WITHIN GREAT BRITAIN

7. Notification Under Another Act

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8. Main Content

THE DRAFT REGULATIONS WILL GOVERN :



- THE COLLECTION OF BOVINE EMBRYOS DESTINED FOR THE DOMESTIC MARKET
- THE TRANSFER OF BOVINE EMBRYOS INTO RECIPIENTS WITHIN GREAT BRITAIN
- TWO WELFARE PROVISIONS HAVE BEEN INCLUDED IN THE DRAFT REGULATIONS
- THE USE OF EPIDURAL ANAESTHESIA WILL BE MANDATORY PRIOR TO THE COLLECTION AND TRANSFER OF EMBRYOS, TO AVOID ANY POSSIBILITY OF CAUSING ANY UNNECESSARY PAIN AND SUFFERING. THIS REQUIREMENT WILL APPLY TO THE COLLECTION OF ANY EMBRYO IN GREAT BRITAIN IRRESPECTIVE OF ITS DESTINATION
- THE EXAMINATION OF RECIPIENT COWS BY A VETERINARY SURGEON WITHIN ONE MONTH PRIOR TO THE TRANSFER TAKING PLACE, IN ORDER TO CERTIFY THEIR SUITABILITY TO RECEIVE THE EMBRYO INTENDED FOR TRANSFER

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9. Brief Statement of Grounds

THE REGULATIONS ARE INTENDED TO GUARANTEE THE HEALTH STATUS OF EMBRYOS PLACED ON THE DOMESTIC MARKET AND TO SAFEGUARD THE WELFARE OF DONOR AND RECIPIENT ANIMALS. IT IS INTENDED TO GIVE STATUTORY EFFECT TO DIRECTIVE 89/556/EEC GOVERNING THE COLLECTION OF EMBRYOS FOR INTRA-COMMUNITY TRADE THROUGH LEGISLATION IMPLEMENTING DIRECTIVE 90/425/EEC ON VETERINARY CHECKS, WHICH WILL COVER ALL VERTICAL TRADE DIRECTIVES, INCLUDING THAT ON EMBRYOS. THE SCOPE OF THESE REGULATIONS HAS THEREFORE BEEN RESTRICTED TO THE DOMESTIC MARKET AND DIRECTIVE 89/556/EEC WILL CONTINUE TO BE IMPLEMENTED BY ADMINISTRATIVE MEANS UNTIL LEGISLATION IMPLEMENTING THE VETERINARY CHECKS DIRECTIVE COMES INTO EFFECT

10. Reference Documents - Basic Texts

DRAFT DOCUMENTS :

THE BOVINE EMBRYO COLLECTION AND TRANSFER REGULATIONS 1992

11. Invocation of the Emergency Procedure

NO

12. Grounds for the Emergency

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