

ANNUAL REPORT ON THE PROTECTION OF ANIMALS DURING TRANSPORT

ANNEX A

Member State:

UNITED KINGDOM

Year:

2007

Animals transported (in heads)	1 Bovine	2 Porcine	3 Small ruminants	4 Equidae	5 (6) Domestic birds & rabbits	6 Other Species
Slaughtered	2.296.286	9.483.700	15.803.800	3.618	883.540.000	Fig. not kept
Exported (2)	193.309	102.443	208.464	(7)13,780	31.034.397	Unavailable
Imported for breeding (3)	21.876	10.220	4.289	(4) 593	(5) 10,038,110	Unavailable
Other animals transported	(8) 11,159,370	6.305.391	27.277.359	Fig. not kept	Fig. not kept	(1) 3,195
TOTAL (provisional)						

Number of inspections	Number of inspections							
	1 Total no. means of transport inspected	1a# No. animals covered by inspections	2 Bovine	3 Porcine	4 Small ruminants	5 Equidae	6 Domestic birds & rabbits	7 Other Species
During transport by road	1.158	25.912	374	124	382	149	27	102
At the place of destination	10.313	301.184	3.323	1.914	2.865	149	59	2.003
At Markets	93.245	1.769.316	30.399	1.496	42.655	1.126	26	17.543
At place of departure	2.900	57.316	662	147	981	117	8	985

At staging points	317	1.530	87	0	45	185	0	0
At transfer point	597	59.862	1.104	187	1.205	1.281	269	94
TOTAL	108.530	2.215.120	35.949	3.868	48.133	3.007	389	20.727
Document checks	26.939	1.017.838	10.669	5.876	12.748	1.028	335	2.031
Number of infringements								
Number of infringements	1	2	Number of infringements			6	7	
	Total no. welfare infringements	Bovine	3	4	5	Domestic birds & rabbits	Other Species	
			Porcine	Small ruminants	Equidae			
During transport by road	160	58	19	34	26	4	19	
At the place of destination	741	238	160	261	5	2	75	
At Markets	1.528	437	18	908	34	5	126	
At place of departure	408	71	28	62	4	4	239	
At staging points	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	
At transfer point	23	11	5	9	18	0	3	
TOTAL	2.862	817	230	1.274	87	15	462	
Document infringements	542	187	19	219	8	5	104	

- (1) Figure relates to the movement of deer in England & Wales
- (2) Figure relates to exports from the UK to the EU (excluding Norway & Switzerland)
- (3) Figure relates to imports from the EU to UK (excluding Norway & Switzerland)
- (4) Figure excludes registered equidae
- (5) Figure excludes game birds for restocking
- (6) Figure relates to poultry only
- (7) Provisional GB figure which excludes racehorses & equidae moved to Ireland
- (8) Figure relates to cattle movements in GB only

Figures are averages based upon the number of animals per movement recorded in Animal Movement Licences & relate to Porcine, S.Ruminants and Deer only

**COUNCIL REGULATION (EC) No. 1/2005
ACTION PLAN ON UNITED KINGDOM'S 2007 REPORT ON ENFORCEMENT ACTIVITY**

Along with this Return of Enforcement Activity, Article 27 requires Member States to identify the major deficiencies found and an action plan to address them.

We do not have a United Kingdom wide database that identifies the specific deficiencies found in all compliance checks, although we are able to produce the annual report with some qualifications.

The enforcement data in our annual report is produced by the Animal Health Agency collating information from their Divisional Offices, who in turn manually collect the information from Local Authorities in their area to add to their own enforcement activity and produce the total enforcement figures for that Animal Health Divisional Office's area. This is a time consuming exercise. Defra Animal Welfare Team complete the remainder of the report from a variety of sources.

At Annex E is a breakdown of the reported numbers of compliance checks and non compliances for each Animal Health Divisional Office in Great Britain and for Northern Ireland. It will be seen that the overall United Kingdom rate of non-compliance for 2007 was very low at 2.45%, despite 2007 being the first full year of Regulation 1/2005. Furthermore, 20% of this figure is documentary infringements putting the numbers of infringements relating to vehicles or animals at under 2%.

However it will be seen that non compliance rates are particularly high (taken as being 5% or over) in the areas covered by the Animal Health Divisional Offices at Ayr, Bury St Edmunds, Carlisle, Chelmsford, Galashiels, Newcastle, Preston and Taunton. It will be noted from the breakdown of enforcement activity by local offices at Annex E that these named offices have generally reported fewer inspections than the other offices. This contributes to a disproportionately higher percentage of infringements per office as against the overall United Kingdom figure. In common with the overall United Kingdom figure there is a sizeable minority of infringements which have been dealt with by giving the transporters oral warnings rather than written warnings, Statutory Notices or taking prosecutions. This suggest that these infringements were minor in nature.

As enforcement activities are coordinated at a local level, Animal Health will arrange for the offices named above to liaise with the Local Authorities in the area covered by those offices to identify the main areas of concern and to draw up and implement local action to address the problems. The findings and actions will be reported as part of next years' Action Plan.