

**DECLARATION OF SPECIAL MEASURES: CHRONIC WASTING DISEASE  
THE TRADE IN ANIMALS AND RELATED PRODUCTS (WALES) REGULATIONS 2011 (SI 2011/2379 (W. 252).)**

The Minister for Rural Affairs and North Wales, and Trefnydd has reasonable grounds for suspecting the existence of chronic wasting disease in the United States of America, Canada, Republic of Korea, Norway, Sweden, and Finland, such that certain animals and products originating in or dispatched from these territories are liable to pose risk to human or animal health.

In exercise of the powers conferred by regulation 29(1) of the Trade in Animals and Related Products (Wales) Regulations 2011<sup>1</sup> the Minister for Rural Affairs and North Wales, and Trefnydd declares the following special measures to be necessary in Wales in order to contain the risk to human or animal health from animals and products entering Wales from such countries:

**Suspension of entry of certain animals and products into Wales**

1. Entry into Wales is suspended for the following animals and products:
  - a) urine hunting lures derived from cervids originating in or dispatched from the United States of America, Canada, Republic of Korea, Norway, Sweden, or Finland.
  - b) live cervids originating in or dispatched from Norway, Sweden, or Finland.
  - c) fresh cervid meat originating in or dispatched from Norway, Sweden, or Finland.

**Interpretation**

2. In paragraph 1 a), b), and c) of this Declaration:

'cervids' means animals of the family *Cervidae*;

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<sup>1</sup> S.I. 2011/2379 (W. 252). Regulation 29 was substituted by S.I. 2020/44 (W. 5) and amended by S.I. 2020/1612 (W. 337).

## **Exemptions**

3. Paragraph 1 c) of this Declaration does not apply to:

(a) fresh cervid meat, excluding offal and spinal cord, of farmed cervid animals which have been examined for Chronic Wasting Disease by histopathology, immunohistochemistry or other diagnostic method recognised by the competent authority of the country of origin with negative results and is not derived from animals coming from a herd where Chronic Wasting Disease has been confirmed or is officially suspected.

(b) fresh cervid meat, excluding offal and spinal cord, of wild cervid animals which have been examined for Chronic Wasting Disease by histopathology, immunohistochemistry or other diagnostic method recognised by the competent authority of the country of origin with negative results and is not derived from animals coming from a region where Chronic Wasting Disease has been confirmed in the last three years or is officially suspected.

## **Coming into force and duration of the special measures**

4. The special measures in this Declaration apply from the beginning of the day after the day on which this Declaration is made until this Declaration is revoked or amended by further declaration.

Date made: 23/06/2023

Signed

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'R. Irvine', written over a horizontal line.

Dr. Richard Irvine, Chief Veterinary Officer for Wales

***An import in breach of this declaration is an offence under regulation 39 of the Trade in Animals and Related Products (Wales) Regulations 2011.***