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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, LAND REFORM AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT

NO. R. 2465

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ANIMAL DISEASES ACT, 1984
(ACT NO. 35 OF 1984)**CONTROL MEASURES RELATING TO FOOT AND MOUTH DISEASE**

The Minister of Agriculture, Land Reform and Rural Development acting under Section 9 (1) of the Animal Diseases Act, 1984 (Act No. 35 of 1984) hereby-

- (a) repeal the control measures relating to foot and mouth disease as prescribed in Government Notice No 2075 of 10 May 2022, and Government Notice No 2391 of 18 August 2022; and
- (b) prescribe the control measures set out in the Schedule hereto.


MRS AT DIDIZA, MP

Minister of Agriculture, Land Reform and Rural Development

SCHEDULE**Definitions**

1. In this Schedule any word or phrase to which a meaning has been assigned in the Act, shall have that meaning and, unless the context otherwise indicates-

“foot and mouth disease” means the disease as specified in column 1 of Table 2 of the Regulations and as described in column 2 of Table 2 of the Regulations opposite thereto;

“the Act”, means the Animal Diseases Act, 1984 (Act No. 35 of 1984)

“the Regulations”, means the Animal Diseases Regulations as published by Government Notice No. R. 2026 of 26 September 1986, as amended by Government Notices Nos. R. 2208 of 24 October 1986, R. 266 of 13 February 1987, R. 2343 of 16 October 1987, R. 884 of 5 May 1988 (as corrected by Government Notice No. R. 1043 of 3 June 1988), R. 394 of 1 March 1991 (as corrected by Government Notice No. R. 931 of 3 May 1991), R. 2358 of 10 December 1993, R. 1023 of 27 May 1994, R. 254 of 6 February 1997, R. 1136 of 11 September 1998, R. 361 of 7 April 2000, R. 443 of 25 May 2001, R. 885 of 21 September 2001 (as corrected by Government Notice No. R. 1386 of 21 December 2001), R. 162 of 24 February 2006, R. 163 of 24 February 2006, R. 864 of 1 September 2006 (as corrected by Government Notice No. R. 1059 of 27 October 2006), R. 204 of 16 March 2007, R. 371 of 26 April 2007, R. 543 of 6 July 2007, R. 527 of 15 May 2009, R. 558 of 22 May 2009, R. 1059 of 13 November 2009, R. 564 of 23 June 2010, R. 865 of 7 November 2014.

Objective of control measure

2. The objective of this control measure is to prevent the spreading of foot and mouth disease virus through the movement of cattle, sheep and goats in certain areas.

Prohibition on the movement of live cattle, sheep and goats in certain areas

3. The movement of live cattle, sheep and goats is prohibited in the following areas:
 - (a) the Disease Management Areas of KwaZulu Natal Province, Free State Province; and Limpopo Province, except in respect of activities under paragraphs 4. and 5. of this schedule;
 - (b) properties that are placed under quarantine for Foot and Mouth Disease by a State Veterinarian except with written permission from a state veterinarian.

Cattle, sheep and goats movement for direct slaughter

4. Cattle, sheep and goats may be moved to a registered abattoir for slaughter on the following conditions:
 - (1) After an application for movement has been granted only for clinically healthy animals, which must be confirmed through a health certificate of clinical inspection of the animals in the 48 hours preceding movement by a veterinarian and the health certificate must be presented to the state veterinarian responsible for the area of the farm or premises or land of origin.
 - (2) After an application has been granted for slaughter at an abattoir with a valid registration in compliance with the Meat Safety Act 2000 (Act no 40 of 2000) and the Red Meat Regulations proclaimed in terms of Section 22 of the Meat Safety Act 2000 (Act no 40 of 2000) as amended.
 - (3) The state veterinarian responsible for the area of the farm or premises of land of origin shall issue a movement permit to accompany the animals to the abattoir and attach a copy of the health certificate issued by the veterinarian as confirmation that the animals are free from clinical signs of foot and mouth disease in the 48 hours preceding movement.
 - (4) The movement must be directly from the farm to the registered abattoir, with no stopping *en route* for any purpose of any period of time.

Slaughter for own consumption

5. Cattle, sheep and goats may be slaughtered also in areas contemplated in paragraph 3 of this schedule for own use or own consumption or for cultural or religious purposes, on the following conditions:
 - (1) Animals must be slaughtered in the same epidemiological area where they were kept prior to slaughter.
 - (2) No meat or animal product obtained from an animal slaughtered for own consumption may be sold to any person.

Restriction on movement of animals, animal products and genetic material

6. Movements of cattle, sheep and goats in the provinces and areas other than those specified under paragraph 3 of this schedule must be accompanied by the following documents:
 - (1) Owner declaration attesting to the origin and health status of the animals;
 - (2) Undertaking of the recipient at destination that the animals will be isolated on the farm of destination for at least 28 days before introducing them onto the main herd.

THE KWA ZULU NATAL PROVINCE DISEASE MANAGEMENT AREA

The following are declared to be part of the Kwa Zulu Natal Province Disease Management Area:

- (i) The whole of Big Five Hlabisa Local Municipality
- (ii) The whole of Mtubatuba Local Municipality;
- (iii) The whole of Nongoma Local Municipality
- (iv) The whole of the Ulundi Local Municipality
- (v) The whole of Hluhluwe Imfolozi Park.

THE LIMPOPO PROVINCE DISEASE MANAGEMENT AREA

The following are declared to be part of the Limpopo Province Disease Management Area:

- (i) The northern boundary is the international border between the Nwanedi river and the Kruger National Park fence, while the eastern boundary is the Kruger National Park fence;
- (ii) The portion of Musina local municipality east of the Nwanedi River;
- (iii) The whole of Thulamela local municipality;
- (iv) The whole of Collins Chabane local municipality;
- (v) The portions of Greater Giyani local municipality and Greater Letaba local municipality which lies east of the D3206 and north of the Mooketsi / Giyani Road (R81) to where the R81 road crosses Little Letaba River and from there north of the Little Letaba River up to the fence of the KNP.

THE FREE STATE PROVINCE DISEASE MANAGEMENT AREA

The following are declared to be part of the Free State Province Disease Management Area:

- (i) The whole of Thabo Mofutsanyane District Municipality, consisting of Dihlabeng Local Municipality, Maluti-a-Phofung Local Municipality, Mantsopa Local Municipality, Nketoana Local Municipality, Phumelela Local Municipality and Setsoto Local Municipality;
- (ii) The whole of Fezile Dabi District Municipality, consisting of Mafube Local Municipality, Metsimaholo Local Municipality, Moqhaka Local Municipality and Ngwathe Local Municipality

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