

Explanatory Memorandum to the Cattle Identification (Wales) (Amendment) Regulations 2007

This Explanatory Memorandum has been prepared by Department for Rural Affairs and is laid before the National Assembly for Wales.

- (i) **Description**
This order corrects an omission in the current Cattle Identification (Wales) Regulations 2007 No 842 (W.74), by introducing an offence, when keepers failure to comply with Regulation 3.
- (ii) **Matters of special interest to the Subordinate Legislation Committee**
None
- (iii) **Legislative Background**
The Cattle Identification (Wales) (Amendment) Regulations 2007 will be made under section 2(2) of the European Communities Act 1972. By virtue of the European Communities (Designation)(No 3) Order 2005 (S.I. 2005/2766), the National Assembly had the power to make regulations in relation to measures concerning the common agricultural policy of the European Community (subject to exemptions not relevant to this legislation). Responsibility for issues relating to the content of the Regulations is now vested in the Welsh Ministers.
- (iv) **Purpose and intended effect of the legislation**
The legislation corrects an omission in the Cattle Identification (Wales) Regulations 2007 No 842 (W.74), making it an offence for occupiers not to notify the Welsh Assembly Government within one month of any changes in their name and address, or the address of the holding where cattle are kept.
- (v) **Implementation**
The legislation is due to come into force 14 November 2007.
- (vi) **Consultation**
No consultation has been carried out.
- (VII) **Regulatory Impact Assessment**
No regulatory Impact Assessment has been completed.