

BLUETONGUE (BTV8) VACCINATION CAMPAIGN

Declaration of Requirement to Delay Vaccination of Animals kept on Uninhabited Islands until after 30 April 2009



This form is for use by keepers of sheep or cattle which are kept on uninhabited islands who are unable to gain access to vaccinate these animals by 30 April 2009. Such keepers should use this form to notify the local Animal Health Office, and to confirm that the animals will be vaccinated by 30 June 2009.

Note:

- i) An uninhabited island is defined as an island having no –
 - a. permanent resident;
 - b. permanent structure or building used as a dwelling house;
 - c. temporary structure capable of such use, or of use as accommodation, that is occupied for more than 2 days in any 30 day period.
- ii) Provision of the extended deadline is a one-off measure for 2009 only. In future years, keepers must ensure that vaccination of all animals is planned to fit in with normal husbandry practices, and that revaccination of all adult animals is carried out in time to maintain full immunity.
- iii) The Shetland Islands are exempt from compulsory vaccination of livestock against BTV8, therefore keepers of uninhabited islands in the Shetland Isles do **not** need to submit this form. For further information refer to The Bluetongue Scotland Order 2008 (as amended).

This form should be returned to your local Animal Health Office by 01 April 2009 to be applicable for the delayed deadline

PART 1: Declaration (to be completed by keeper)

1. Name of keeper/owner

2. Address

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3. Postcode .. Telephone no.

4. Island CPH number No. of sheep/cattle

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5. Declaration:

I, the undersigned, being the keeper/owner of the sheep or cattle detailed at paragraph 4 above, declare that:

- i) these animals are kept on an uninhabited island which will not be visited until after 30 April.
- ii) I undertake to ensure the vaccination of all the sheep and cattle on the island(s) as identified in paragraph 4 at the first opportunity, and no later than 30 June 2009.
- iii) I confirm that all the information provided on this form is, to the best of my knowledge, correct at the time of signing.

Signature..... Date

PART 2: Acceptance (to be completed by Animal Health Office)

I, the undersigned, being a member of staff of Animal Health, accept / do not accept the declaration above of sheep or cattle kept on an uninhabited island which will not be visited until after 30 April.

If the declaration is NOT accepted, please outline the reasons why:

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Signature..... Date

Name (Block Capitals).....

This form should be retained at the AHDO, and a signed copy given to the keeper.

If the application is **not** accepted, you must complete the vaccination of all your eligible stock by **30 April**.

If your application has been successful you may delay vaccination up to **30 June**, but from that date all eligible livestock on your farm must be vaccinated.