The Aquatic Animal Health (Scotland) Regulations 2009

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The Scottish Ministers, having confirmed that a listed disease is present in aquatic animals in Scotland, in exercise of the powers conferred by regulations 28(1) and 29 of the Aquatic Animal Health (Scotland) Regulations 2009, hereby make the following confirmed designation notice.

Citation, commencement and interpretation

1. -(1) This confirmed designation notice may be cited as the Aquatic Animal Health (Scotland) Regulations 2009 Confirmed Designation Notice (No 003) 2020 and comes into force on 14 May 2020 at 12.00 hours.

(2) In this Notice-

"the 2009 Regulations" means the Aquatic Animal Health (Scotland) Regulations 2009;

"confirmed designation area" means the area designated by paragraph 2 below.

Confirmed designation area

2. For the purpose of preventing or limiting the spread of *Bonamia ostreae*, being a listed disease within the meaning of the 2009 Regulations, the Scottish Ministers designate the area described in the Schedule to this confirmed designation notice as an area that is the subject of a confirmed designation within the meaning of regulation 28 of the 2009 Regulations.

Circumstances in which a person commits an offence under regulation 28(2) of the 2009 Regulations

3. A person commits an offence under regulation 28(2) of the 2009 Regulations if, without the prior written consent of the Scottish Ministers, that person –

- (a) moves any aquatic animal into, out of or within the confirmed designation area;
- (b) disposes of any dead aquatic animal which comes from that area.

Consents given by the Scottish Ministers under regulation 28(2) of the 2009 Regulations

5. The Scottish Ministers hereby authorise;

- a) the movement of aquatic animals into, out of or within the confirmed designation area other than; Australian mud oysters (*Ostrea angasi*), Chilean flat oyster (*Ostrea chilensis*), Olympia flat oyster (*Ostrea conchaphila*), Asiatic oyster (*Ostrea denselammellosa*), European flat oyster (*Ostrea edulis*), Argentinian oyster (*Ostrea puelchana*), Common edible cockle (*Cerastoderma edule*), Wedge shell (*Donax trunculus*), Sand gaper (*Mya arenaria*), Northern quahog (*Mercenaria mercenaria*), Japanese hard clam (*Meretrix lusoria*), Grooved carpet shell (*Ruditapes decussatus*), Japanese carpet shell (*Ruditapes philippinarum*), European aurora venus clam (*Venerupis aurea*), Pullet carpet shell (*Venerupis pullastra*), Warty venus (*Venus verrucosa*) and Great Atlantic scallop (*Pecten maximus*).
- b) the disposal of any dead aquatic animal which comes from that area other than; Australian mud oysters (*Ostrea angasi*), Chilean flat oyster (*Ostrea chilensis*), Olympia flat oyster (*Ostrea conchaphila*), Asiatic oyster (*Ostrea denselammellosa*), European flat oyster (*Ostrea edulis*), Argentinian oyster (*Ostrea puelchana*), Common edible cockle (*Cerastoderma edule*), Wedge shell (*Donax trunculus*), Sand gaper (*Mya arenaria*), Northern quahog (*Mercenaria mercenaria*), Japanese hard clam (*Meretrix lusoria*), Grooved carpet shell (*Ruditapes decussatus*), Japanese carpet shell (*Ruditapes philippinarum*), European aurora venus clam (*Venerupis aurea*), Pullet carpet shell (*Venerupis pullastra*), Warty venus (*Venus verrucosa*) and Great Atlantic scallop (*Pecten maximus*).
- c) the movement of aquatic animals for direct human consumption without re-immersion in; the natural environment, a purification centre or deposition tanks, subject to hygiene regulations.

Withdrawal of Regulation 14 Notice

6. The Fish Health Regulations 1997 (S.I. 1997/1881) (as amended) Regulation 14 Notice (Scotland) (No. 2) 2007 which came into force on 27th August 2007 is withdrawn.



A member of the staff of the Scottish Ministers

SCHEDULE

Confirmed designation area for the purposes of regulation 28 of the Aquatic Animal Health (Scotland) Regulations 2009.

The area of water comprising tidal waters (whether forming part of the sea or not) within the seaward limits of the territorial waters adjacent to Great Britain, which lies between or within, as the case may be, the limits specified below - the waters of West Loch Tarbert north east of a line drawn east south east at Ardpatrick Point NR 734 578 to North Dunskeig Bay at NR 752 568.

EXPLANATORY NOTE (This Note is not part of the Confirmed Designation Notice.)

This confirmed designation notice designates the area described in the Schedule as a confirmed designation area for the purposes of regulation 28 of the Aquatic Animal Health (Scotland) Regulations 2009("the Regulations").

In terms of regulation 28(2) of the Regulations a person commits an offence if, without the prior written consent of the Scottish Ministers, that person –

- a) moves any listed species into, out of or within the confirmed designation area unless for direct human consumption without re-immersion in; the natural environment, purification centre or deposition tanks; or
- b) disposes of any listed species which comes from that area.

In terms of paragraph 5 of the Notice the listed species are; Australian mud oysters (*Ostrea angasi*), Chilean flat oyster (*Ostrea chilensis*), Olympia flat oyster (*Ostrea conchaphila*), Asiatic oyster (*Ostrea denselammellosa*), European flat oyster (*Ostrea edulis*), Argentinian oyster (*Ostrea puelchana*), Common edible cockle (*Cerastoderma edule*), Wedge shell (*Donax trunculus*), Sand gaper (*Mya arenaria*), Northern quahog (*Mercenaria mercenaria*), Japanese hard clam (*Meretrix lusoria*), Grooved carpet shell (*Ruditapes decussatus*), Japanese carpet shell (*Ruditapes philippinarum*), European aurora venus clam (*Venerupis aurea*), Pullet carpet shell (*Venerupis pullastra*), Warty venus (*Venus verrucosa*) and Great Atlantic scallop (*Pecten maximus*).

A person who is guilty of an offence under the Regulations is liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding the statutory maximum or, on conviction or indictment, to a fine.