

L.N. 38 of 2025

**VETERINARY SERVICES ACT
(CAP. 437)**

**Prevention, Control and Eradication of certain Transmissible
Spongiform Encephalopathies Rules, 2025**

IN EXERCISE of the powers conferred by articles 5, 7 to 12, 15, to 17 and 37 of the Veterinary Services Act, the Minister responsible for veterinary services with the concurrence of the Minister responsible for public health and the Minister responsible for customs, has made the following rules:-

1. (1) The title of these rules is the Prevention, Control and Eradication of certain Transmissible Spongiform Encephalopathies Rules, 2025. Citation and scope.

(2) The scope of these rules is to implement the requirements of Regulation (EC) No 999/2001 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 22 May 2001 laying down rules for the prevention, control and eradication of certain transmissible spongiform encephalopathies.

2. (1) In these rules, unless the context otherwise requires: Interpretation.

"Act" means the Veterinary Services Act; Cap. 437.

"competent authority" means the Department as defined in the Act;

"Director" means the Director of Veterinary Services as defined in the Act;

"Regulation (EC) No 999/2001" means Regulation (EC) No 999/2001 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 22 May 2001 laying down rules for the prevention, control and eradication of certain transmissible spongiform encephalopathies, as in force from time to time.

(2) Unless the context otherwise requires, words and phrases used in these rules which are not defined herein, shall have the same meaning as assigned to them in Regulation (EC) No 999/2001 and in the Act.

3. Without prejudice to any other power or responsibility in accordance with the law, and to its application in any other manner in Part IX of the Act.

accordance with the law, Part IX of the Act shall also apply *mutatis mutandis* to these rules.

Offences and
punishments.

4. (1) Without prejudice to rule 3, any person who breaches any provisions of these rules or any obligation in accordance with these rules, or breaches a provision of Regulation (EC) No 999/2001, or hinders any person responsible for their implementation, shall on conviction be liable, to the punishments established in the Act.

(2) Without prejudice to the provisions of sub-rule (1), the Court may also order any person guilty of an offence, to pay for the expenses incurred by the competent authority and the Director as a result of the said offence, as well as the revocation of any permit or certification issued under these rules and the confiscation, retention or destruction or other means of disposal of the animals involved.

Repeal and
saving.
S.L. 437.42.

5. The Prevention, Control and Eradication of Certain Transmissible Spongiform Encephalopathies Regulations are hereby being repealed without prejudice to anything done or omitted to be done thereunder.
