

IMPORTATION OF PATHOGENIC AGENTS  
ORDER, 1997

I, Joe Walsh, Minister for Agriculture and Food, in exercise of the powers conferred on me by [sections 3](#) of the [Diseases of Animals Act, 1966](#) (No. 6 of 1966), as adapted by the Agriculture, Food and Forestry (Alteration of Name of Department and Title of Minister Order, 1997 ([S.I. NO. 302 of 1997](#))), hereby order as follows:

1. (1) This Order may be cited as the Importation of Pathogenic Agents Order, 1997.

(2) This Order shall come into operation on the 22nd day of September, 1997.

2. In this Order

"pathogenic agents" means any collection or culture of organisms or any derivative, present either alone or in the form of a manipulated combination of such a collection or culture of organisms capable of causing disease in any living being (other than man) and any modified derivatives of these organisms, or any genetically engineered organism, which can carry or transmit an animal pathogen, or the tissue, cell culture, secretions or excreta by which or by means of which an animal pathogen can be carried or transmitted but excluding immunological animal remedies controlled by the Animal Remedies Regulations, 1996 ([S.I. No. 179 of 1996](#)).

3. The importation of pathogenic agents is hereby prohibited save under and in accordance with a licence granted in that behalf by the Minister for Agriculture and Food.

GIVEN under my Official Seal, this 8th day of September, 1997

Joe Walsh

Minister for Agriculture and Food