

A.2d BROKEN NEEDLE POLICY

- 1- Broken needle in animal.
- 2- Mark the animal and record the date, animal identification and injection site in the veterinary medicine record book.
- 3- When disposed of, the animal must be consigned straight to slaughter and not sold to another producer. The movement/means of disposal must be recorded in the herd/flock record book.
- 4- Is the animal to be retained as breeding stock for longer than 7 days?

If **YES** check its health regularly and when disposed of go to question 6.

If **NO** go to question 5.
- 5- Is the animal marketable within seven days (allowing for withdrawal period of substance being injected)?

If **YES** consign it to a slaughter house with an emergency slaughter certificate from a veterinary surgeon which provides details of the injection site and the date on which it occurred. Mark the injection site on the animal before consignment.

If **NO** go to question 6.
- 6- Will the animal be marketed after 7 days?

If **YES** consign it to a slaughter house and inform the slaughterhouse in writing of the broken needle, providing details of the injection site and the date on which it occurred. Mark the injection site on the animal before consignment.

If **NO** go to question 7
- 7- Do you wish to keep the animal for private kill?

If **YES**, retain for home consumption only, and take care to avoid the broken needle.

If **NO** go to point 8.
- 8- Euthenase.

IF THE ABOVE PRECAUTIONS ARE TAKEN AND THE SLAUGHTERHOUSE IS INFORMED IN WRITING, THE BROKEN NEEDLE ANIMAL MAY BE MARKETED AS NORTHERN IRELAND FARM QUALITY ASSURED

I have read and understood the Broken Needle Policy

Producers Signature _____

Date _____