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**Rabies (Transponders on Imported Dogs) (Exemption)
Notice**

(Made by the Director of Agriculture, Fisheries and Conservation
under section 47(1) of the Rabies Ordinance (Cap. 421))

1. Commencement

This Notice comes into operation on 1 August 2025.

2. Exemption for keepers of certain legally imported dogs

- (1) Subsection (2) applies to a dog that—
 - (a) is imported into Hong Kong under and in accordance with a permit issued under section 12 of the Rabies Regulation (Cap. 421 sub. leg. A) (*Cap. 421A*) on or after the commencement date of this Notice;
 - (b) has been vaccinated against rabies; and
 - (c) is implanted with the device specified in the Schedule.
- (2) The keeper of the dog is exempt from the application of section 28(2) of Cap. 421A in relation to the dog.

Schedule

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Specified Device

A transponder that conforms to the International Standards ISO 11784 and ISO 11785 published by the International Organization for Standardization, and when activated by an electromagnetic radio frequency signal, responds with a coded signal revealing a unique numeric identification code in the following format—

XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX

where each X is an individual numeric symbol.

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Explanatory Note

Section 28(2) of the Rabies Regulation (Cap. 421 sub. leg. A) (***principal Regulation***) requires the keeper of a dog that has been vaccinated against rabies to ensure that the dog is implanted with or wears or carries a device of the description set out in Schedule 3 to the principal Regulation.

2. This Notice exempts the keepers of certain dogs imported into Hong Kong on or after the commencement date of this Notice from the requirement under section 28(2) of the principal Regulation.