UK Prohibits EU Cheese and Meat Imports over Foot and Mouth Concerns

Description

The UK government has temporarily banned holidaymakers from bringing cheese and meat products from the EU to prevent the spread of foot and mouth disease (FMD).

This ban includes cured meat and cheese, even in sandwiches, due to the outbreak in Europe.

The restrictions apply to all packaged goods, duty-free purchases, and regardless of origin.

Previous bans on these products from specific European countries have been extended to all EU countries.

Foot and mouth disease is a highly contagious virus affecting animals but not humans.

Partial cooking or smoking of meat products and improper pasteurization of dairy products can allow the virus to survive.

The ban does not apply to Northern Ireland, Jersey, Guernsey, or the Isle of Man.

Violators may face fines or product confiscation.

Vocabulary List:

1. **Contagious** /kənˈteɪ.dʒəs/ (adjective): Able to be transmitted from one individual to another especially referring to diseases.
2. **Restrictions** /rɪˈstrɪk.ʃənz/ (noun): Limitations that are imposed on actions or substances.
3. **Confiscation** /ˌkɒn.fɪsˈkeɪ.ʃən/ (noun): The action of taking possession of property by authority.
4. **Outbreak** /ˈaʊt.breɪk/ (noun): A sudden increase in the occurrence of a disease in a particular time and place.
5. **Cured** /kjʊrd/ (verb): To preserve meat or fish using methods such as salting or smoking.
6. **Pasteurization** /ˌpæstɛɹəˈzeɪʃən/ (noun): The process of heating food or liquid to kill harmful bacteria.

Comprehension Questions

Multiple Choice

1. What has the UK government temporarily banned holidaymakers from bringing?

   Option: Fruits and vegetables
   Option: Cheese and meat products
   Option: Alcoholic beverages
   Option: Electronics

2. Why has the UK government banned cheese and meat products?

   Option: To prevent food poisoning
   Option: To curb obesity rates
   Option: To control the spread of foot and mouth disease
   Option: To promote local agriculture

3. Which regions are exempt from the ban according to the text?

   Option: France and Germany
   Option: Northern Ireland and Jersey
   Option: Spain and Italy
   Option: Greece and Portugal

4. What is the consequence for violators of the ban?

   Option: Verbal warning
   Option: Fine or product confiscation
   Option: Written apology
   Option: Community service

5. What can allow the foot and mouth disease virus to survive in meat products?

   Option: Immediate freezing
   Option: Proper pasteurization
   Option: Partial cooking or smoking
   Option: Organic certification

6. What type of products are included in the ban according to the text?

   Option: Only fresh products
   Option: Only packaged goods
   Option: Meat and dairy products
   Option: Electronics and clothing

True-False

7. Foot and mouth disease affects humans.

8. The ban applies to all European countries.

9. The ban extends to duty-free purchases from the EU.

10. Cheese and meat products are safe for consumption according to the UK government.

11. The ban applies to dairy products regardless of their origin.

12. Violators of the ban may face legal consequences.

Gap-Fill

13. Foot and mouth disease is a highly contagious virus affecting _____ but not humans.

14. The ban does not apply to _____, Jersey, Guernsey, or the Isle of Man.

15. Partial cooking or smoking of meat products and improper pasteurization of dairy products can allow

the virus to _____ .

16. Fines or product confiscation are possible consequences for _____ of the ban.

17. The restrictions apply to all packaged goods, _____ purchases, and regardless of

origin.

18. Previous bans on these products have been extended to all _____ countries.

Answer

Multiple Choice: 1. Cheese and meat products 2. To control the spread of foot and mouth disease 3. Northern Ireland and Jersey 4. Fine or product confiscation 5. Partial cooking or smoking 6. Meat and dairy products
True-False: 7. False 8. True 9. True 10. False 11. True 12. True
Gap-Fill: 13. animals 14. Northern Ireland 15. survive 16. violators 17. duty-free 18. EU

Vocabulary quizzes

Multiple Choice (Select the Correct answer for each question.)

1. What term is used to describe the overturning of a vessel?

    Option: Incident
    Option: Recovery
    Option: Capsize
    Option: Combat

2. What is the term for the process of regaining possession of a vessel after an incident?

    Option: Unacceptable
    Option: Rescue
    Option: Recovery
    Option: Compensation

3. Which term refers to the act of saving individuals from a vessel in distress?

    Option: Introduce
    Option: Recovery
    Option: Rescue
    Option: Streamline

4. What term denotes the maximum amount that something can contain?

    Option: Emphasized
    Option: Capacity
    Option: Tariffs
    Option: Impact

5. Which term relates to a struggle or fighting involving two or more entities?

    Option: Yields
    Option: Combat
    Option: Confidence
    Option: Unrest

6. Which term refers to limitations or controls imposed on certain actions or activities?

    Option: Confiscation
    Option: Unrest
    Option: Outbreak
    Option: Restrictions

7. Which term describes a sudden occurrence or increase of something harmful or unwanted?

Option: Cured
Option: Confiscation
Option: Restitution
Option: Outbreak

8. What term refers to tasks or situations that test one's abilities or skills?

Option: Confidence
Option: Impact
Option: Unrest
Option: Challenges

9. What is the term for the action of taking someone's property with authority?

Option: Unacceptable
Option: Confiscation
Option: Yields
Option: Tariffs

10. What term refers to something given to make amends for loss or suffering?

Option: Impact
Option: Compensation
Option: Pasteurization
Option: Confiscation

Gap-Fill (Fill in the blanks with the correct word from the vocabulary list.)

11. After the incident an _____ was assigned to examine the causes of the capsize.

12. The level of negligence displayed by the crew was deemed _____ by the authorities.

13. The report _____ the need for better safety protocols on vessels.

14. The investment in maritime technology _____ positive results for the shipping

industry.

15. Increased training and preparedness build _____ among sailors facing challenging

conditions.

16. The harsh weather had a significant _____ on the vessel's stability.

17. Crew dissatisfaction led to a period of _____ on board the ship.

18. The new regulations imposed higher _____ on imported goods.

19. The outbreak of illness was effectively _____ through quarantine procedures.

20. The accused crew members faced a trial to ensure _____ was served.

Matching Sentences (Match each definition to the correct word from the vocabulary list.)

21. The large ship was a crucial mode of transportation for cargo across the ocean.
22. The collision between two ships was recorded as a serious maritime .
23. The naval forces engaged in intense with the pirates to protect the merchant vessels.
24. The new safety protocols were to prevent future accidents.
25. Efforts to the cargo handling process led to significant time savings.
26. The captain the importance of checking the vessel's stability before departure.
27. Strong formed among the crew members during their time at sea.
28. The new navigation system better accuracy in determining the ship's position.
29. The company paid substantial to the affected families as a gesture of goodwill.
30. Navigating through the storm presented one of the greatest the crew had faced.

Answer

Multiple Choice: 1. Capsize 2. Recovery 3. Rescue 4. Capacity 5. Combat 6. Restrictions 7. Outbreak
8. Challenges 9. Confiscation 10. Compensation
Gap-Fill: 11. Investigator 12. Unacceptable 13. Emphasized 14. Yields 15. Confidence 16. Impact 17. Unrest
18. Tariffs 19. Cured 20. Justice
Matching sentence: 1. Vessel 2. Incident 3. Combat 4. Introduce 5. Streamline 6. Emphasized 7. Bonds 8.
Yields 9. Restitution 10. Challenges

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