

Animal medicine seizure notice: Parcel addressed to veterinary premises in Kingston, Surrey

News story

Details of a seizure notice served following a parcel addressed to veterinary premises in Kingston, Surrey.



The following veterinary medicines were identified by a courier company. The products were detained and subsequently seized by the Veterinary Medicines Directorate.

This parcel was addressed to veterinary premises in Kingston, Surrey and was shipped from India. The parcel contained the following medicines:

- 5 x boxes Sumatriptan tablets BP
- 16 x bottles Pentosan Polysulfate sodium capsules 100mg

These are human medicines. Paperwork included in the package suggested they were intended for treatment of a dog.

Human products can only be administered to animals under Schedule 4 (Administration of a veterinary medicinal product outside the terms of a marketing authorisation) of the VMR by vets who have the animals under their care and have obtained a Special Import Certificate (SIC) to import the product.

The medicines were seized under Regulation 25 (Importation of unauthorised veterinary medicinal products) of the Veterinary Medicines Regulations 2013.

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