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### **FURTHER EASING OF MOVEMENT RESTRICTIONS WELCOMED**

The Scottish Crofting Foundation has welcomed further freeing up of animal movements and stressed the importance of reading the licence conditions carefully.

Norman Leask, SCF Chairman said “A general licence for direct farm to farm movement, in force from today, will help take some of the pressure off farms and crofts in the north and west, where lambs and cast ewes have been kept weeks longer than normal. At the moment, there is no possibility of multiple drop-offs, but we will continue to press for this to be allowed as soon as the risk is deemed low enough”.

“We are all doing our best to maintain strict biosecurity and make sure the risk of disease spreading is minimised. It is important that those using the countryside recreationally, especially anywhere near livestock, also make efforts to ensure that they are not increasing the risk of disease spreading.”

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