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## Section 5

Section 4.06.11 is amended as follows:

- 4.06.11 Cubicles must be of optimum size for the animals on the holding with regard to welfare. At least 3m<sup>2</sup> of accessible/available floor area per individual animal must be allowed for dairy cows and larger animals, with lesser areas for smaller animals; cubicles with dimensions of 2.62m<sup>2</sup> can be permitted provided the overall solid-bedded area is compliant with the requirements specified at 4.06.05 of the standards, e.g. a 600 kg animal would require an overall solid-bedded area of 3m<sup>2</sup>, therefore, where cubicles less than 3m<sup>2</sup> are used, an additional solid-bedded area must be made available to the animals. Animals must have free access to cubicles and must have an adequate lunging area. Cubicles must be clean and dry and bedded at all times – See 4.07.02.