

SCHEDULE 1

The Licensing of Slaughtermen

The grant and registration of licences

5.—(1) Where the Department receives a certificate of competence for registration, together with the appropriate fees, it shall grant and register a licence (hereinafter referred to as “a registered licence”) if—

- (a) in its opinion the applicant is a fit and proper person to hold a licence; and
- (b) the applicant provides any information required in sub-paragraph (2).

(2) Any person applying to the Department for a registered licence shall give written details if—

- (a) he has been refused by any district council (and if so by which) a licence to slaughter animals under the Slaughter of Animals Acts (Northern Ireland) 1932 to 1956;
- (b) he has had any such licence revoked or suspended by any district council (and if so by which); or
- (c) he has been convicted of any offence mentioned in paragraph 8(b).

(3) Any licence granted and registered under sub-paragraph (1) shall specify the matters which it covers, namely—

- (a) the relevant operations mentioned in paragraph 3;
- (b) the relevant species of animals; and
- (c) the relevant equipment or instruments.

(4) Any registered licence which is granted under sub-paragraph (1) shall be valid throughout Northern Ireland and shall remain in force until any such time as it may be revoked or suspended by the Department.