

1972 No. 287

ANIMALS

DISEASES OF ANIMALS

The Importation of Carcases and Animal Products Order 1972

Made - - - - 29th February 1972

Coming into Operation 1st May 1972

The Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food and the Secretary of State, acting jointly in exercise of their powers under sections 1(1), 24(1), 33(1), 84(3)(a) and 85(1) of the Diseases of Animals Act 1950(a), (as extended by the Diseases of Animals (Extension of Definitions) Order 1952(b), as adapted to air transport by section 11(1) of the Agriculture (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1954(c), and read with the Transfer of Functions (Animal Health) Order 1955(d) and as amended as regards the said section 24(1) by section 105(1) of the Agriculture Act 1970(e) and all other powers enabling them in that behalf, hereby order as follows:—

Citation and commencement

1. This order, which may be cited as the Importation of Carcases and Animal Products Order 1972, shall come into operation on 1st May 1972.

Interpretation

2.—(1) In this order unless the context otherwise requires, the following expressions have the meanings hereby respectively assigned to them:—

“the Act” means the Diseases of Animals Act 1950;

“animal” means any horse, ass, mule, or swine, and any bovine animal, sheep, goat or other ruminating animal;

“animal product” means anything originating or made (whether in whole or in part) from an animal or from a carcase;

“carcase” means the carcase of an animal and includes part of a carcase, and the meat, bones, hide, skin, hooves, offal or other part of an animal, separately or otherwise, or any portion thereof;

“the Minister” in the application of this order to England and Wales means the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food and in its corresponding application to Scotland means the Secretary of State.

(a) 1950 c. 36. For change of title of the Minister see S.I. 1955/554 (1955 I, p. 1200).

(b) S.I. 1952/1236 (1952 I, p. 128). (c) 1954 c. 39.

(d) S.I. 1955/958 (1955 I, p. 1184). (e) 1970 c. 40.

(2) The Interpretation Act 1889(a) shall apply to the interpretation of this order as it applies to the interpretation of an Act of Parliament, and as if this order and the orders hereby revoked were Acts of Parliament.

Extension of definition of "Disease"

3. For the purposes of this order, and for the purposes of sections 1, 24, 33 and Part III of the Act insofar as they may be applicable to the making, administration and enforcement of this order the definition of the expression "disease" contained in section 84(3) of the Act is hereby extended so as to include African swine fever, Teschen disease, and vesicular exanthema.

Application of order

4. This order shall apply to any carcase or animal product, except any carcase or animal product mentioned in Schedule 1 to this order.

Prohibition of Importation of Carcases and Animal Products into Great Britain

5.-(1) Subject to the provisions of this order, the landing in Great Britain from any country out of Great Britain of any carcase or animal product to which this order applies, is hereby prohibited except under the authority of and in accordance with the provisions of a licence issued by the Minister.

(2) A licence referred to in paragraph (1) of this Article (which may be either general or specific and in either case conditional or unconditional) may be issued by the Minister, in the case of a general licence by publication of the terms of such licence in such manner and to such extent as appear sufficient to the Minister to bring the licence to the attention of interested persons or in the case of a specific licence, which shall be in writing, by delivery of such licence to the licensee to whom it is granted.

(3) Failure to comply with any condition of a licence issued under this order shall be an offence against the Act.

Power to require exportation of carcases and animal products landed in contravention of this order

6. Any officer of the Minister may serve a notice on the owner or person in charge of any thing which has been landed in contravention of this order, requiring the exportation of such thing within such period as may be specified in the notice.

Transitional Provisions

7. Until 30th June 1972, any licence granted under any order revoked by Article 8 of this order, and in force immediately before the coming into operation of this order, shall have effect as if issued under this order.

Revocation of orders

8. The orders specified in Schedule 2 to this order are hereby revoked.

In Witness whereof the Official Seal of the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food is hereunto affixed on 28th February 1972.

(L.S.)

J. M. L. Prior,
Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food.

29th February 1972.

Gordon Campbell,
Secretary of State for Scotland.

Article 4

SCHEDULE 1

Carcases and Animal Products to which this order does not apply

Bone-and-meat meal
 Bone charcoal
 Bone phosphates
 Butter
 Catgut
 Cheese
 Condensed milk
 Evaporated milk
 Gall or bile pastes
 Gelatine
 Hair (including alpaca, cashmere, mohair or vicuna)
 Lard and rendered fats
 Leather
 Manufactured bone or horn articles
 Meat packed in hermetically sealed glass or metal containers
 Meat (other than meat packed in hermetically sealed glass or metal containers) which in the opinion of an officer of the Minister is cooked throughout its substance, and which is certified by a veterinary officer duly authorised for this purpose by the Government of the exporting country to have been prepared under the terms and conditions of an official certificate for the time being recognised by the Minister in accordance with the provisions of the Imported Food Regulations 1968(a) or the Imported Food (Scotland) Regulations 1968(b).
 Meat or offal derived from any horse, ass or mule, which is certified by a veterinary officer duly authorised for this purpose by the Government of the exporting country to contain no admixture of any meat, offal or any other animal product derived from any ruminating animal or swine, and any other produce derived from any horse, ass or mule.
 Meat extract
 Meat meal
 Oils and waxes of animal origin
 Ossein
 Pigs' bristle (dressed, bunched and sorted)
 Soup stock
 Steamed bone flour
 Substances, the importation of which into Great Britain is subject to the provisions of the Diseases of Animals (Therapeutic Substances) Order 1952(c), as amended (d), or to the provisions of Part I and of Schedule 1 of the Therapeutic Substances Act 1956(e), or to the provisions of the Medicines Act 1968(f).
 Wool
 Wool grease
 Wool grease fatty acids
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(a) S.I. 1968/97 (1968 I, p. 272).

(b) S.I. 1968/1181 (1968 II, p. 3194).

(c) S.I. 1952/1933 (1952 I, p. 129).

(d) The relevant amending instrument is S.I. 1953/1122 (1953 I, p. 120).

(e) 1956 c. 25.

(f) 1968 c. 67.

SCHEDULE 2

Article 8

Orders revoked	Reference
The Importation of Carcases and Animal Products Order 1954... ..	S.I. 1954/853 (1954 I, p. 136).
The Importation of Carcases and Animal Products (Amendment) Order 1960	S.I. 1960/2094 (1960 I, p. 298).
The Importation of Carcases and Animal Products (Amendment) Order 1961	S.I. 1961/329 (1961 I, p. 520).
The Importation of Carcases and Animal Products (Amendment) Order 1963	S.I. 1963/911 (1963 II, p. 1541).
The Importation of Carcases and Animal Products (Amendment) Order 1964	S.I. 1964/1089 (1964 II, p. 2409).
The Importation of Carcases and Animal Products (Amendment) Order 1966	S.I. 1966/37 (1966 I, p. 53).
The Importation of Carcases and Animal Products (Amendment) Order 1967	S.I. 1967/606 (1967 I, p. 1818).
The Importation of Carcases and Animal Products (Amendment) (No. 2) Order 1967	S.I. 1967/1793 (1967 III, p. 4795).
The Importation of Carcases and Animal Products (Amendment) (No. 3) Order 1967	S.I. 1967/1805 (1967 III, p. 4817).

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the order.)

This order (which revokes and replaces with modifications the Importation of Carcases and Animal Products Order 1954 as amended) prohibits the import into Great Britain, of animal carcases (including parts of such carcases) and animal products to which the order applies except in accordance with the terms of a licence issued by the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food or the Secretary of State for Scotland. The order applies to the carcases of the following animals, namely, horses, asses, mules and pigs, and cattle, sheep, goats and other ruminating animals and to any products derived from such animals with the exception of the carcases and animal products listed in Schedule 1 to the order.

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