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## FOOD AND DRUGS

## FOOD HYGIENE

**The Food (Meat Inspection) (Scotland) Amendment  
Regulations 1976**

<i>Made</i>	- - - -	27th May 1976
<i>Laid before Parliament</i>		15th June 1976
<i>Coming into Operation</i>		6th July 1976

In exercise of the powers conferred on me by sections 13 and 56 of the Food and Drugs (Scotland) Act 1956(a), and of all other powers enabling me in that behalf, having in accordance with section 56(6) of that Act consulted with such organisations as appear to me to be representative of the interests substantially affected by these regulations and after reference to the Scottish Food Hygiene Council under section 25 of that Act, I hereby make the following regulations:—

1.—(1) These regulations may be cited as the Food (Meat Inspection) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 1976, and shall come into operation on 6th July 1976.

(2) The Interpretation Act 1889(b) shall apply for the interpretation of these regulations as it applies for the interpretation of an Act of Parliament.

2. The Food (Meat Inspection) (Scotland) Regulations 1961(c), as amended(d), shall be further amended by substituting for regulation 22 thereof the following regulation:—

*Charges by local authorities for meat inspection*

22.—(1) Subject to the provisions of this regulation, a local authority may make charges for inspections carried out in pursuance of these regulations of such amounts as are determined by them from time to time.

(2) In fixing or varying any such charges as aforesaid a local authority shall consult with such persons or organisations as appear to them to be representative of interests substantially affected by such charges.

(3) If it appears to the Secretary of State that the amounts of any charges so determined are in any respect unreasonable, whether as respects their operation in the area generally or as respects their operation at particular premises

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(a) 1956 c. 30. (b) 1889 c. 63. (c) S.I. 1961/243 (1961 I, p. 395).  
(d) S.I. 1963/1231, 1971/1196, 1975/685 (1963 II, p. 2055; 1971 II, p. 3498; 1975 I, p. 2477).

within the area, he may, after consultation with the local authority, direct them, in relation to the operation of the charges in the area generally or in relation to their operation at particular premises within the area—

(a) to make such alterations in the amounts of the charges as he considers appropriate, and

(b) except with his approval, not to depart from those amounts as altered for such period as he may specify;

and the authority shall comply with the direction.

*Revocation*

3. The Food (Meat Inspection) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 1971(a) and the Food (Meat Inspection) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 1975(b) are hereby revoked.

*Bruce Millan,*

One of Her Majesty's Principal  
Secretaries of State.

New St. Andrew's House,  
Edinburgh.

27th May 1976.

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EXPLANATORY NOTE

*(This Note is not part of the Regulations.)*

These amending Regulations, which come into operation on 6th July 1976, substitute a new Regulation for Regulation 22 of the Food (Meat Inspection) (Scotland) Regulations 1961, as amended by the Food (Meat Inspection) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 1963, 1971 and 1975.

The new Regulations enable local authorities to charge for meat inspections carried out in pursuance of the 1961 Regulations as amended without the restriction of permitted maximum charges, but retain the Secretary of State's powers to vary the amount of any charges which after consultation with the local authority he considers to be unreasonable.

The amending regulations of 1971 and 1975, which related only to the amounts of the maximum charges, are revoked.

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(a) S.I. 1971/1196 (1971 II, p. 3498).

(b) S.I. 1975/685 (1975 I, p. 2477).



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