## STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

## 1984 No. 604

# **FOOD**

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# The Meat (Sterilisation and Staining) (Amendment) Regulations 1984

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Coming into Operation	25th May 1984

The Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food, the Secretary of State for Social Services and the Secretary of State for Wales, acting jointly, in exercise of the powers conferred by sections 13 and 123 of the Food and Drugs Act 1955 (a) and now vested in them(b) and of all other powers enabling them in that behalf, after consultation in accordance with section 123(6) of the said Act with such organisations as appear to them to be representative of interests substantially affected by the regulations hereby make the following regulations:-

# Title, commencement and interpretation

- 1.—(1) These regulations may be cited as the Meat (Sterilisation and Staining) (Amendment) Regulations 1984 and shall come into operation on 25th May 1984.
- (2) Unless the context otherwise requires, any reference in these regulations to a numbered regulation shall be construed as a reference to the regulation so numbered in the Meat (Sterilisation and Staining) Regulations 1982 (c).

# Amendment of the Meat (Sterilisation and Staining) Regulations 1982

The Meat (Sterilisation and Staining) Regulations 1982 shall be amended in accordance with regulations 3 to 11 of these regulations.

# Amendment of regulation 3

- 3. In regulation 3(1)—
  - (a) after the definition of "offal" there shall be inserted the following words:
    - ""pharmaceutical extract supplier" means a person whose business consists, wholly or mainly, of the collection, storage and preparation of glands, liquid extracts and other materials derived from the carcases of animals, prior to their removal to a

<sup>(</sup>a) 1955 c.16 (4 and 5 Eliz.2); section 13 was amended by the Slaughterhouses Act 1974 (c.3), Schedule 4, paragraph 1, and section 123 was amended by the Weights and Measures Act 1963 (c.31), Schedule 9, Part I, the Slaughterhouses Act 1974, Schedule 4, paragraph 4, and the Food and Drugs (Amendment) Act 1982 (c.26), section 4.
(b) In the case of the Secretary of State for Social Services by virtue of S.I. 1968/1699 and in the case of the Secretary of State for Wales by virtue of S.I. 1978/272.
(c) S.I. 1982/1018, amended by S.I. 1982/1727.

- manufacturing chemist for the manufacture of pharmaceutical products;";
- (b) for the definition of "slaughterhouse" there shall be substituted the following definition:
  - ""slaughterhouse" includes a poultry slaughterhouse;";
- (c) for the definition of "specified offal" there shall be substituted the following definition:
  - ""specified offal" means hearts, kidneys, livers and lungs derived from an animal which, in the case of a carcase in a slaughterhouse, have been rejected, by a person authorised under the Food and Drugs Act 1955, the Food and Drugs (Scotland) Act 1956(a) or the Agricultural Produce (Meat Regulation and Pig Industry) Act (Northern Ireland) 1962 (b) to act in relation to the examination of meat, as unfit for human consumption by reason of any disease or pathological condition other than:
    - (a) ascariasis, fascioliasis, or telangiectasis; or
    - (b) changes caused by the operations of stunning, slaughter or dressing of the animal;".

## Insertion of Regulation 5A

**4.** After regulation 5 there shall be inserted the following cross-heading and regulation:

#### "Exemption

**5A.** These regulations shall not apply in respect of any meat which is removed or is intended to be removed from any place or premises by, or under the authority of, a veterinary surgeon for examination by him or on his behalf.".

#### Amendment of regulation 12

- 5. In regulation 12(1), after subparagraph (d), there shall be added the following subparagraph:
  - "(e) that meat, being poultry or poultry meat, is intended to be delivered to a destination referred to in regulation 17(1).".

# Insertion of regulation 15A

**6.** After regulation 15 there shall be inserted the following cross-heading and regulation:

"Prohibition of importation of unfit meat from Scotland or Northern Ireland

- 15A.—(1) No person shall bring, or cause or permit to be brought, into England and Wales from Scotland or Northern Ireland any meat which is unfit for human consumption unless—
  - (a) that meat has been sterilised;
  - (b) that meat, being carcase meat or specified offal, has been stained, is intended to be delivered to a destination referred to in regulation 17(1)(b) to (e) and is accompanied to that destination by a consignment note or a permit;

- (c) that meat, being carcase meat or specified offal, is intended to be delivered to a destination referred to in regulation 17(1)(a) and is accompanied to that destination by a consignment note or a permit;
- (d) that meat, being offal other than specified offal, is intended to be delivered to a destination referred to in regulation 17(1) and is accompanied to that destination by a consignment note or a permit; or
- (e) that meat, being poultry meat, is intended to be delivered to a destination referred to in regulation 17(1).
- (2) The driver of the vehicle in which meat is delivered to any premises accompanied by a consignment note or a permit shall give that note or a copy of that permit to the occupier of those premises, who shall retain it for a period of two years from the date on which he received it and within seven days send a copy thereof to the local authority in whose district those premises or that meat are located. Any consignment note or copy permit retained by an occupier of premises in accordance with the requirements of this paragraph shall be made available for inspection by an authorised officer at any reasonable time.
- (3) On receipt of any such copy of a consignment note or permit in accordance with paragraph (2) of this regulation the local authority shall, if the meat to which it relates has been imported from Scotland, forthwith notify in writing the local authority in Scotland from whose district the meat has been imported, or, if the meat has been imported from Northern Ireland, notify in writing the Department of Agriculture for Northern Ireland, of the arrival of the consignment related to the consignment note or permit.
  - (4) In this regulation and in regulation 20(2)(a) and (b)—

"consignment note" means a consignment note issued in pursuance of Part III of the Meat and Poultry Meat (Staining and Sterilisation) (Scotland) Regulations 1983 (a); and

"permit" means, in relation to a consignment of meat, a permit issued under the provisions of section 16 of the Meat Shipping Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1964 (b) authorising the removal of that meat to the premises to which it is to be delivered.".

## Amendment of regulation 17

- 7. In regulation 17—
  - (a) in paragraph (1) for the words "Meat unfit, or not intended, for human consumption" there shall be substituted the following words:
    - "Meat unfit for human consumption or imported meat not intended for human consumption";
  - (b) in subparagraph (a) of paragraph (1) for the words "a rennet manufacturer or a manufacturing chemist for the manufacture by him of pharmaceutical products;" there shall be substituted the following words:

"a rennet manufacturer, a pharmaceutical extract supplier or a manufacturing chemist for the manufacture by him of pharmaceutical products;";

- (c) for subparagraph (c) of paragraph (1) there shall be substituted the following subparagraph:
  - "a zoological garden, menagerie, farm at which carnivorous animals are kept for the production of fur, maggot farm or greyhound kennels licensed by the National Greyhound Racing Club for the sole purpose of the feeding of the animals on any such premises, but no carcase meat or offal which has been rejected by one of the persons described in the definition of "specified offal" in regulation 3(3) as unfit for human consumption by reason of tuberculosis shall be removed to any of the destinations specified in this subparagraph;";
- (d) in subparagraph (e) of paragraph (1) there shall be deleted the words "or manufacturing chemist";
- (e) in paragraph (3) for the words "any meat unfit, or not intended, for human consumption or" there shall be substituted the following words:
  - "any meat unfit for human consumption or imported meat not intended for human consumption or";
- (f) in paragraph (3), after subparagraph (c), there shall be added the following subparagraph:
  - "(d) that meat is removed from a hospital, medical or veterinary school, laboratory or similar institution in accordance with an arrangement in writing with, and under the supervision of, an authorised officer of the local authority in whose district those premises are situated to another destination referred to in subparagraphs (a) to (d) of paragraph (1) above or to a place where it is buried or destroyed."

#### Amendment of regulation 18

**8.** In regulation 18(1) for the words "of any knacker meat" there shall be substituted the following words:

"of any knacker meat or any poultry meat".

#### Amendment of regulation 19

9. In regulation 19(1), for the reference to regulation 8, 12, 13 or 15 there shall be substituted a reference to "regulation 8, 12, 13, 15 or 17 (3)(b)".

## Amendment of regulation 20

- 10. In regulation 20—
  - (a) in paragraph (1), at the end of subparagraph (d), there shall be added the word ";or" and, after subparagraph (d), there shall be added the following subparagraph:—
    - "(e) any meat brought into England or Wales from Scotland or Northern Ireland which is not fit for human consumption";
  - (b) at the end of subparagraph (a) of paragraph (2) there shall be added the following words:—
    - "or, in the case of any meat brought into England or Wales from Scotland or Northern Ireland, accompanied by any consignment note or permit which relates to that meat;";

(c) in subparagraph (b) of paragraph (2) there shall be inserted after the words "that movement" the following words:—

"or, in the case of any meat brought into England or Wales from Scotland or Northern Ireland, accompanied by any consignment note or permit which relates to that meat";

- (d) in subparagraph (c) of paragraph (2) for the reference to regulation 17(3)(c) there shall be substituted a reference to "regulation 17(3)(c) or (d)";
- (e) in paragraph (3), at the end of subparagraph (b), there shall be added the word "; or" and after subparagraph (b), there shall be added the following subparagraph:
  - "(c) that any meat brought into England and Wales from Scotland or Northern Ireland became unfit for human consumption only after its removal from a slaughterhouse.";
- (f) Regulation 20(4) shall be deleted.

## Amendment of Regulation 25

11. In regulation 25(1) there shall be deleted the words "or specified offal".

In Witness whereof the Official Seal of the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food is hereunto affixed on 10th April 1984.



Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food.

Norman Fowler,
Secretary of State for Social Services.

25th April 1984.

Nicholas Edwards, Secretary of State for Wales.

12th April 1984.

## **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

(This Note is not part of the Regulations.)

These Regulations, which apply to England and Wales only, amend the Meat (Sterilisation and Staining) Regulations 1982, by—

- (a) adding poultry or poultry meat intended to be delivered to a destination mentioned in Regulation 17(1) to the exceptions to the prohibition in Regulation 12(1);
- (b) limiting the definition of specified offal to exclude offal affected by certain diseases and conditions;
- (c) providing that the requirements of the 1982 Regulations shall not apply to meat which is removed from any place or premises by a veterinary surgeon for examination by him or on his behalf;
- (d) inserting a new Regulation 15A which prohibits the importation into England and Wales from Scotland or Northern Ireland of any meat unfit for human consumption subject to certain exceptions;
- (e) making certain substitutions in Regulation 17 to widen its scope for the removal of unfit meat; and
- (f) making consequential amendments.

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