

SCHEDULE 1

The Licensing of Slaughtermen

Grant of provisional licences

- 7.—(1) An authorised veterinary surgeon shall grant a provisional licence to any applicant who—
- (a) is, in the opinion of the authorised veterinary surgeon, a fit and proper person to hold a provisional licence;
 - (b) is not below the age of 18; and
 - (c) provides any information required by sub-paragraph (2).
- (2) Any person applying to an authorised veterinary surgeon for a provisional 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);
 - (c) he has had any licence issued under these Regulations revoked or suspended by the Department; or
 - (d) he has been convicted of any offence mentioned in paragraph 8(b).
- (3) Any provisional licence granted in accordance with 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) A provisional licence shall authorise a person to carry out the matters which it covers only in the presence of, and in accordance with any directions given by, a person who is—
- (a) a veterinary surgeon;
 - (b) the holder of a registered licence granted in accordance with paragraph 5(1) and covering the same matters as the provisional licence; or
 - (c) the holder of a licence granted by a district council under the Slaughter of Animals Acts (Northern Ireland) 1932 to 1956.
- (5) Any provisional licence granted under sub-paragraph (1) shall remain in force for such period not exceeding three months as may be specified in the provisional licence and may be renewed at the discretion of an authorised veterinary surgeon.
- (6) Any provisional licence granted under sub-paragraph (1) shall be valid throughout Northern Ireland.