

Sheep Dipping.

SHEEP DIPPING (NORTHERN IRELAND) ORDER OF 1932, DATED
8TH APRIL, 1932.

1932. No. 32.

The Ministry of Agriculture for Northern Ireland by virtue and in exercise of the powers vested in it under the Diseases of Animals Act, 1894, as amended and adapted by any subsequent enactments and of every other power enabling it in that behalf, orders and it is hereby ordered as follows :—

Application of Order.

1. This Order applies to the whole of Northern Ireland, hereinafter referred to as "the Dipping Area."

Prescribed Dipping Period.

2. In the Dipping Area there shall be, in each year, a prescribed dipping period, which shall commence on the fifteenth day of June and terminate on the fifteenth day of August.

Mode of Dipping Prescribed.

3. Where under this Order it is provided that sheep are to be dipped, they shall be dipped by a thorough immersion of the whole body, including the head and ears, in a sheep-dip approved by the Ministry for sheep scab by the Sheep Scab (Northern Ireland) Order of 1930 or otherwise. The immersion, except as regards the head and ears, shall be for a period of not less than one minute.

Exceptions to Dipping Requirements.

4. The provisions of this Order which require the dipping of sheep shall be subject to the following exceptions :—

(1) Sheep which it is impracticable or inexpedient to dip owing to their being intended for exhibition, or to any other special circumstances, may be exempted from being dipped during the dipping period by an exemption signed by the Clerk of the Local Authority of the district in which such sheep are kept, provided a Veterinary Inspector of the Local Authority shall previously have certified, after examination and enquiry in the case, that the sheep are free from disease and that the grounds on which the exemption is sought are satisfactory. The exemption may be granted subject to conditions as to subsequent dipping or otherwise. A copy of every exemption, together with a copy of the Veterinary Certificate relating thereto, shall be sent to the Ministry. The exemption shall be in the Form A set forth in the First Schedule hereto, or to the like effect,

(2) Sheep to be slaughtered in the Dipping Area during the dipping period need not be dipped within such period provided they are kept separate from sheep which have been already dipped in the same period.

(3) Nothing in this Article shall be deemed to affect the operation of the provisions in Article 7 of this Order.

Annual Dipping.

5.—(1) All sheep other than imported sheep in the Dipping Area during any part of the dipping period (unless those excepted by Article 4 of this Order) shall be caused to be dipped within the Dipping Area on two occasions, separated by an interval of not less than seven days, or more than fourteen days, during that period, by the owner or person in charge thereof.

(2) For the purposes of enabling the Local Authority or the Police to be represented at the dippings required by this Article, whenever they think such a course desirable, the owner or person in charge of any sheep required to be dipped shall give such written notice of his intention to dip his sheep as is hereinafter provided :—

- (i) The notice shall be delivered to a constable of the police or sent by post or otherwise to the sergeant of police for the police sub-district in which the sheep referred to in such notice are located.
- (ii) The notice shall be delivered or sent at such time as to be received by the police at least five clear days before the intended time of the first dipping.
- (iii) The notice shall state the times and place or places of the intended dippings, the approximate number of sheep intended to be dipped, and the place where such sheep are located at time of forwarding of the notice.

(3) Notices received by the police under this Article shall forthwith be transmitted by them to the Clerk of the Local Authority or to such other Officer of the Local Authority as the Local Authority may direct.

Provisions as to Scheduled Areas.

6. The Ministry may at any time by Order declare any area within the Dipping Area in which, in the opinion of the Ministry, sheep scab is prevalent to be a scheduled area for the purposes of this Order and thereupon all sheep within such area shall, in addition to the dipping required by Article 5 of this Order, be dipped in accordance with such directions as the Ministry may in the Order or otherwise prescribe. In any area so scheduled the Ministry may, if it deems it advisable, make such regulations as

may, in the opinion of the Ministry, be necessary in connection with the movement of sheep within, into or from the area.

Exposure at Fairs, Markets and Saleyards of Sheep other than Imported Sheep.

7. In each year from the first day of July to the fifteenth day of August, both dates inclusive, it shall not be lawful to move any sheep other than imported sheep into or expose them for sale in any fair, market or saleyard within the Dipping Area unless such sheep shall have been twice dipped as specified in Article 5 of this Order subsequent to the last preceding 31st day of May, and are accompanied at time of such movement or exposure, by a declaration in respect of such double dipping, signed by the owner of the sheep or his agent authorised in that behalf. Every such declaration shall be in the Form B (i) set forth in the First Schedule hereto, or to the like effect.

Imported Sheep.

8.—(1) Where within the period 15th June to 15th November (both days inclusive) in any year sheep are brought on to any premises in the dipping area from any place outside that area the owner or person in charge of such sheep shall, without delay, report the arrival of the sheep to the police station nearest to the said premises and shall keep the sheep isolated from all other sheep until dealt with under this Article.

(2) The police shall immediately transmit any such report as aforesaid to the Local Authority who shall notify the sheep dipping inspector for the district concerned.

(3) The sheep dipping inspector shall as soon as practicable cause the sheep to be dipped on two occasions separated by an interval of not less than seven or more than fourteen days.

(4) Each sheep dipping inspector shall on the first day of each month furnish to his Local Authority a return in the Form B (ii) set forth in the first schedule to this Order of the dipping of imported sheep under this Article during the preceding month. The inspector shall concurrently furnish to the Ministry a copy of every such return.

(5) This Article shall not apply to sheep proceeding from the Irish Free State to a market, fair or saleyard in Northern Ireland provided that as from the 1st July to the 15th November the sheep are accompanied by a declaration signed by the owner or his agent in the Form B (iii) set forth in the first schedule to this Order or to like effect that the sheep have subsequent to the last preceding 31st May been dipped on two occasions separated by an interval of not less than seven or more than fourteen days and provided, further, that immediately such sheep have arrived at their destination from such market, fair or saleyard the owner or

person then in charge of the sheep shall report the fact to the nearest police station whereupon the sheep shall be dealt with as prescribed by the foregoing sub-sections of this Article.

(6) This Article shall not apply to sheep in process of direct movement to a port for shipment or from a place outside Northern Ireland to another place outside Northern Ireland.

Clipping before Dipping.

9. A sheep shall not be deemed to have been dipped in accordance with the requirements of this Order in the dipping period unless it has been previously clipped in the current year, but this provision shall not apply to lambs less than nine months old.

Isolation of Sheep after Dipping.

10. All sheep after having been dipped within the dipping period shall, during the remainder of such period, be kept isolated, as far as practicable, from sheep which have not been dipped.

Declarations by Occupiers of Farms, etc.

11.—(1) The occupier of a farm or holding in the Dipping Area on which sheep are kept shall personally, or by his agent authorised in that behalf furnish not later than 15th September in each year to the sergeant of police for the police sub-district in which the farm or holding is situate a declaration, in the Form C set forth in the First Schedule hereto, or to the like effect, as to the dippings of the sheep in the dipping period. This requirement shall not, however, apply in any case where an Inspector or other officer of the Local Authority shall have certified that the sheep were double dipped as specified in Article 5 of this Order in his presence during such period.

(2) Declarations received by the police under this Article shall thereupon be forwarded to the Clerk of the Local Authority or such other Officer of the Local Authority as the Local Authority may direct.

Certificates of Dipping.

12. Where under this Order sheep are double dipped during the dipping period in the presence of an Inspector of the Local Authority, he shall give the owner or person in charge of the sheep a certificate to that effect in the Form D set forth in the First Schedule hereto, or to the like effect. Where the circumstances so permit the Inspector shall also give a further certificate indicating that it has been declared to him, by the owner or person in charge of the animals, that the sheep to which the first-mentioned certificate relates comprise all the sheep in possession of such owner at the time of such dipping.

Restriction on Movement of Sheep not Dipped as required.

13. Where any sheep shall not have been dipped during the dipping period as required by this Order an Inspector of the Local

Authority may, without prejudice to any proceedings for the offence, serve the owner or person in charge of the sheep and the owner or person in charge of any sheep then in contact with the undipped sheep, with a notice, in the Form E set forth in the First Schedule hereto, or to the like effect, requiring the double dipping as specified in Article 5 of this Order of the sheep described in the notice and prohibiting their movement from the farm, holding or other place where they are at the time the notice is served (except with a licence granted by an Inspector of the Local Authority of the District) until all sheep shall have been so double dipped, after the service of the notice, in the presence of an Inspector of the Local Authority, or have been slaughtered, and thereupon it shall be unlawful to move the sheep in contravention of the notice.

Cleansing of Dipping Places.

14. The place on any farm or premises which has been used for dipping shall, without unnecessary delay, be thoroughly cleansed by the occupier, and all tufts of wool gathered and disinfected or destroyed.

Samples of Dip may be taken.

15. Every owner or person in charge of sheep being dipped under this Order shall permit and give every facility to an Inspector of the Local Authority or of the Ministry to take samples of dip or material which is being or has been used for the dipping of sheep.

Power to provide Dipping Places.

16. The Local Authority may, subject to the approval in writing by the Ministry in each particular case, provide and fit up and maintain dipping places, provided that no dipping place shall be used under this provision if its use would injuriously affect the water in any stream, reservoir, aqueduct, well, pond or place constructed or used for the supply of water for drinking or other domestic purposes.

Power for Local Authority to regulate time and place of Dipping in particular cases.

17. The Local Authority may during the dipping period in any case where they think such procedure desirable serve a notice on the owner or person in charge of any sheep, requiring that the sheep shall be dipped at such times and places as are stated in the notice and to the satisfaction of an Inspector of the Local Authority ; and the sheep shall thereupon be dipped in accordance with the requirements of such notice. The notice may be in the Form F set forth in the First Schedule hereto, or to the like effect.

Production of Declarations and Licences ; Names and Addresses.

18.—(I) Any person in charge of a sheep being moved where under this Order a declaration or licence is necessary, shall,

on demand of a Justice or of a constable, or of an Inspector or other authorised officer of the Ministry or of a Local Authority, produce and show to him the declaration or licence, if any, authorising the movement, and shall allow it to be read and a copy of or extract from it to be taken by the person to whom it is produced.

(2) Any person so in charge shall, on demand as aforesaid, give his name and address to the Justice or constable or Inspector or other officer.

Powers of Entry of Inspectors.

19. An Inspector of the Ministry, or an Inspector of the Local Authority, may for the purposes of this Order enter any premises and examine any sheep thereon.

Local Authority to enforce Order.

20. Without prejudice to Section 43 (1) of the Act of 1894 the provisions of this Order shall be executed and enforced by the Local Authority.

Local Authorities to Appoint Inspectors of Sheep Dipping.

21.—(1) Every Local Authority shall appoint as many Inspectors as may be necessary for the enforcement of the provisions of this Order.

(2) Appointments under this Order and the remuneration of persons appointed and the conditions of appointments shall in all instances be subject to approval by the Ministry.

(3) If it appears to the Ministry that a Local Authority has failed : (a) to make, within a reasonable time, the appointments required by this Order, or (b) to make a sufficient number of such appointments, the Ministry may issue to such Local Authority a certificate, under the Seal of the Ministry, specifying what number of appointments, or of further appointments, as the case may be, are requisite for the purposes of the Order in the district of the Local Authority, and specifying also, if the Ministry sees fit, the rates of remuneration and the conditions of employment of the inspectors to be appointed and the areas for which they should respectively act, and the Local Authority, on receipt of such certificate, shall proceed, without avoidable delay, to make the requisite appointments in accordance with the terms of the certificate.

Revocation of Orders.

22. The Orders described in the Second Schedule hereto are hereby revoked from and after the commencement of this Order.

Offences.

23. Any person committing or aiding, abetting, counselling or procuring the commission of any breach of the provisions of this Order is liable, on summary conviction, to the penalties provided by the Diseases of Animals Acts, 1894 to 1922.

Interpretation.

24. In this Order, unless the context otherwise requires :

“ Sheep ” includes lambs ;

“ Inspector ” includes Veterinary Inspector and any person appointed by a Local Authority to be their Inspector for the purposes of this Order ;

“ Owner ” includes a joint owner ;

“ The Ministry ” means the Ministry of Agriculture for Northern Ireland ;

“ The Act of 1894 ” means the Diseases of Animals Act, 1894.

Other terms have the same meaning as in the Act of 1894 and the Acts amending the same.

Construction.

25. In the application to Northern Ireland of the Sheep Dipping (Local Regulations) (Ireland) Order of 1916 references to the Sheep Dipping (Ireland) Order of 1915 shall be construed as references to this Order.

Commencement.

26. This Order shall come into operation on the first day of May, nineteen hundred and thirty-two.

Short Title.

27. This Order may be cited as the “ Sheep Dipping (Northern Ireland) Order of 1932.”

In witness whereof the Official Seal of the Ministry of Agriculture for Northern Ireland, is hereunto affixed this eighth day of April, nineteen hundred and thirty-two.

(L.S.)

James S. Gordon,

Secretary.

THE FIRST SCHEDULE.

FORM A.

(Article 4.)

Form of Exemption.

SHEEP DIPPING (NORTHERN IRELAND) ORDER OF 1932.

The undermentioned sheep are hereby exempted from the dipping requirements of the above order on account of*

The exemption shall not extend beyond the dipping period in the current year.

The exemption is subject to the following conditions :—†

(Signature)

Clerk of the Local Authority for the
County of

Dated

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* Here state ground of exemption. † Insert conditions (if any).

Particulars of Sheep Exempted.

Number and description of sheep exempted.	Name and address of owner of sheep.

A copy of this exemption is to be sent to the Secretary, Ministry of Agriculture for Northern Ireland, Belfast, together with a copy of the Veterinary Inspector's certificate respecting the animals.

FORM B (i).

(Article 7.)

Form of Declaration to accompany Sheep moved into a Market, Fair or Saleyard during the period from 1st July to 15th August, both dates inclusive, in each year.

SHEEP DIPPING (NORTHERN IRELAND) ORDER OF 1932.

I, _____ of _____ in
the County of _____ do hereby solemnly and
sincerely declare :—

- (a) that I am the owner (or the agent authorised for this purpose of _____ of _____ in the County of _____ the owner) of the undermentioned sheep ;
- (b) that the said sheep were double dipped subsequent to the last preceding thirty-first day of May in accordance with the provisions of the above-mentioned Order, by the person(s) specified in this declaration ;

FORM B (iii).
(Article 8.)

Form of Declaration to accompany Sheep imported from the Irish Free State between 1st July and 15th November for direct movement to a market, fair or saleyard.

SHEEP DIPPING (NORTHERN IRELAND) ORDER OF 1932.

I, _____ of _____ do hereby solemnly and sincerely declare :—

- (a) that I am the owner (or the agent authorised for this purpose of _____ of _____ in the County of _____ the owner) of the undermentioned sheep ;
- (b) that the said sheep were double dipped in accordance with the provisions of the above-mentioned Order subsequent to the last preceding thirty-first day of May by the person(s) specified in this declaration ;
- (c) that the statements contained in this declaration are within my own knowledge ; or
- (d) that the statements contained in this declaration are based on information furnished to me by*

* Here insert particulars of source of information.

Number and description of sheep.	Name and address of person(s) from whom the sheep are being imported.	Name of Importer.	Destinations in Northern Ireland.

Signed,

Dated

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FORM C.
(Article 11.)

Declaration as to Dipping of Sheep not dipped in the presence of an Inspector or other Officer of the Local Authority ; to be made either as soon as the Sheep have been dipped, or at any later time up to the expiration of one calendar month from close of Dipping Period.

SHEEP DIPPING (NORTHERN IRELAND) ORDER OF 1932.

I, _____ of _____ in the Rural or Urban District of _____ and County of _____ being the occupier of the farm or holding known as _____ do hereby certify that all sheep on the said farm or holding (except such as were exempt from the requirements of the above-mentioned Order) have been double dipped in accordance with the provisions of the above-mentioned Order since the fourteenth day of June last by thorough immersion in a sheep dip approved by the Ministry of Agriculture for Northern Ireland for sheep scab. The particulars of such dippings are stated below, and I further certify that such particulars are, to the best of my knowledge and belief, correct.

(Signed)

(or

_____ by his duly authorised Agent _____)

Dated

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Particulars of Dippings.

Number and description of sheep dipped.	Place of Dipping.	Dates of Dippings.	Description of dip used.
		1st Dipping	
		2nd Dipping	

Particulars of Exemptions.

Number and description of sheep exempted.	Ground for exemption.	If exempted state date of exemption.

NOTE.—If there are no exemptions this is to be stated.

FORM D.
(Article 12.)

Certificate as to Dipping of Sheep.

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<p style="text-align: center;"><i>Certificate of Dipping.</i></p> <p>No.....</p> <p>Number and description of sheep dipped.....</p> <p>.....</p> <p>Place and premises where sheep were dipped.....</p> <p>.....</p> <p>Name of Owner of sheep.....</p> <p>.....</p> <p>Description of dip.....</p> <p>.....</p> <p>(Signed).....</p> <p>(Dated).....</p> <p>(State if further certificate given) :—</p> <p>.....</p> <p>This counterfoil is to be retained by the person giving the certificate.</p>	<p>No.....</p> <p>I, the undersigned, being an Inspector of the Local Authority, of the County of, do hereby certify that the undermentioned sheep were this day thoroughly dipped in an efficient sheep dip in my presence and to my satisfaction.</p> <table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse; margin-top: 10px;"> <thead> <tr> <th style="width: 15%;">Number and description of sheep.</th> <th style="width: 15%;">Owner's name and address.</th> <th style="width: 25%;">Name or description of place and premises where sheep were dipped.</th> <th style="width: 45%;">Description of dip.</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td style="height: 100px;"> </td> <td> </td> <td> </td> <td> </td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p style="text-align: center;">(Signed)</p> <p>Dated 193 ..</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Further Certificate.</i> (To be given where the circumstances so permit.)</p> <p>I further certify that it has been declared to me, by the owner or person in charge of the animals, that the sheep to which the above certificate relates, comprise all the sheep at present in the possession of such owner.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">(Signed)</p> <p>Dated 193 ..</p>	Number and description of sheep.	Owner's name and address.	Name or description of place and premises where sheep were dipped.	Description of dip.				
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FORM E.
(Article 13.)

Detention Notice.

SHEEP DIPPING (NORTHERN IRELAND) ORDER OF 1932.

I, _____ an Inspector of the Local Authority of the County of _____ do hereby give you notice to detain the following sheep, viz., of which you are the owner or person in charge, upon the following farm, holding or other place, viz., _____ until all the sheep shall have been double dipped in accordance with the provisions of the above-mentioned Order in the presence of an Inspector of the Local Authority by a thorough immersion in a sheep dip approved by the Ministry of Agriculture for Northern Ireland for sheep scab.

(Signed)

Dated _____ 193 .

FORM F.
(Article 17.)

Notice of Special Dipping.

SHEEP DIPPING (NORTHERN IRELAND) ORDER OF 1932.

To _____ of _____ an Inspector of the Local Authority of the County of _____ by direction of the said Local Authority, do hereby require that the following sheep, viz., _____ of which you are the owner or person in charge, shall be dipped by you at _____ on the _____ day of _____, between the hours of _____ and _____ on the day of _____ between the hours of _____ and _____ to my satisfaction by a thorough immersion in a sheep dip approved by the Ministry of Agriculture for Northern Ireland for sheep scab.

(Signed)

Dated _____ 193 .

THE SECOND SCHEDULE.

Orders Revoked.
(Article 22).

1. The Sheep Dipping (Ireland) Order of 1915—in so far as it applies to Northern Ireland.
2. The Sheep Dipping (Appointment of Inspectors) (Ireland) Order of 1915—in so far as it applies to Northern Ireland.
3. Order No. 502 of the Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction for Ireland, dated 4th May, 1921, in so far as it applies to Northern Ireland.
4. The Sheep Dipping (Ireland) Order of 1915, Amendment (Northern Ireland) Order, 1924.
5. The Sheep Dipping (Northern Ireland) Order of 1927.