# S C H E D U L E S

### SCHEDULE 1

### THE MEAT AND LIVESTOCK COMMISSION.

## PART I

### FUNCTIONS

- 1 (1) Promoting greater efficiency in the production of livestock by any means, including those in paragraphs 2 to 6 below, but subject to the exception in sub-paragraph (2) of this paragraph.
  - (2) In performing their functions under this paragraph and paragraphs 2 to 5 below the Commission shall not concern themselves
    - (a) with the production of milk or milk products or fleece wool, or
    - (b) with the production of dairy cattle,

except so far as matters within paragraphs (a) and (b) above are related to matters (such as the meat-producing characteristics of cattle) which are the Commission's concern, or so far as the Commission concern themselves with matters within paragraphs (a) and (b) above in assisting any Board or other person connected with those matters.

- 2 Promoting or undertaking arrangements for assessing the breeding qualities of livestock and the management of herds and flocks to which they belong on the basis of information derived from the keeping of records.
- 3 Promoting or undertaking performance testing, and progeny testing, of livestock, and acquiring and maintaining establishments where such testing may be carried out (whether by the Commission or by any person on their behalf).
- 4 Promoting or undertaking provision of services of artificial insemination of livestock.
- 5 Maintaining and publishing registers of cattle and pig herds and sheep flocks appearing to the Commission to be efficiently managed and to conform to the standards specified by the Commission.
- 6 Promoting the use for breeding purposes of sires of a quality approved by the Commission.
- 7 (1) Giving advice and information to the Central Council for Agricultural and Horticultural Co-operation—
  - (a) on matters relating to the commercial and technical aspects of livestock production and marketing, and
  - (b) for the purpose of assisting the Council in deciding whether to make grants in aid of co-operative activities in livestock production and marketing.

- (2) Giving advice and information to livestock producers on the commercial and technical aspects of introducing and developing co-operative arrangements for the production and marketing of livestock.
- 8 (1) Advising on suitable and fair terms (other than financial terms) of contracts for the sale of livestock and meat, and preparing model or standard terms for inclusion in such contracts.
  - (2) Giving advice and information to assist buyers and sellers of livestock and meat to make bargains and do business.

9 (1) Giving advice and information to those owning, conducting or using livestock auction markets on the efficient lay-out, design and operation of such markets, including in particular efficient methods of handling and penning livestock, and generally on matters conducive to efficiency.

- (2) Compiling standard codes of practice for any of the activities connected with livestock auction markets with a view to their efficient and equitable operation.
- 10 (1) Giving advice and information to those owning, conducting or using slaughterhouses—
  - (a) on the efficient lay-out, design and operation of slaughter houses and premises and appliances used in connection with slaughterhouses, and
  - (b) on efficient techniques of slaughtering of livestock and of dressing carcases,

and generally on matters conducive to efficiency.

- (2) Giving to the Ministers advice and information on any matters connected with slaughterhouses for the purpose of assisting the Ministers to discharge any of their functions, and in particular their functions relating to the licensing of slaughterhouses and to slaughtering charges made at public slaughterhouses.
- 11 (1) Disseminating in the livestock industry and livestock products industry information about, and advice based on information about—
  - (a) the supplies of, and demand and market prices paid for, livestock and livestock products, whether produced in Great Britain or elsewhere, and
  - (b) market situations and future supply, demand and market prices.
  - (2) For that purpose—
    - (a) undertaking the collection of information to supplement that available from official sources about supplies of, and demand and market prices paid for, livestock and livestock products and,
    - (b) collating, analysing and interpreting official and other information on those subjects.
- 12 Giving advice and information to the Ministers about current and prospective supplies of livestock and livestock products from all sources.
- 13 Promoting or undertaking investigations and research as to—
  - (a) the production, marketing and distribution of livestock,
  - (b) the production, processing, manufacture, marketing and distribution of livestock products,
  - (c) the demand (whether in Great Britain or elsewhere) for livestock and livestock products and connected matters, including prices paid for livestock and livestock products,

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and disseminating in the livestock industry and the livestock products industry information about, and advice based on, the results of the investigations and research.

- 14 Collecting the results of investigations and research carried out on any matters relating to the livestock industry or the livestock products industry and disseminating in those industries information about, and advice based on, the results of the investigations and research.
- 15 Promoting or undertaking arrangements for advertising the merits, and increasing the sales (whether in Great Britain or elsewhere), of livestock and livestock products produced in Great Britain.
- 16 Disseminating information and advice useful to consumers of livestock products, and in particular information as to their availability, use, identification and choice.
- 17 (1) In sections of the livestock industry or livestock products industry for which no industrial training board has been established, encouraging and promoting the training of employees.
  - (2) Co-operating with the industrial training board for any other section of either industry in the improvement of the training of employees in that section of the industry.
- 18 Accepting, whether as a trustee or otherwise, responsibility for carrying out any trust for purposes connected with the Commission's functions or the intentions of any person making a gift or bequest for any of those purposes.
- 19 Giving financial assistance to any person in order to achieve the objects of the Commission.
- 20 Making available to persons concerned, in a form which does not disclose anything concerning the private affairs of particular persons or undertakings, any information on matters with which the Commission are concerned in the performance of any of their functions, and in particular information collected by the Commission in the performance of their functions.
- 21 Any functions incidental or ancillary to any of the functions specified above in this Part of this Schedule.
- 22 The Commission may engage in any form of collaboration or co-operation with other persons in performing any of their functions, and shall enter into such consultations with other authorities and persons as appear to them required to ensure that duplication of research, advisory services and other activities is avoided so far as practicable.