

Food Act 1984

1984 CHAPTER 30

PART II

MILK, DAIRIES AND CREAM SUBSTITUTES

Milk and dairies

33 Milk and Dairies Regulations

- (1) The Ministers may make regulations, called " Milk and Dairies Regulations ", providing—
 - (a) for the inspection of cattle on dairy farms;
 - (b) for the inspection of dairies, and of persons in or about dairies who have access to the milk, or to the churns or other milk vessels;
 - (c) with respect to the lighting, ventilation, cleansing, drain age and water-supply of dairies;
 - (d) for securing the cleanliness of churns and other milk vessels and appliances and for prohibiting, subject to prescribed exceptions, the use of churns, (whether by the persons to whom they belong or other persons) otherwise than as containers for milk, where the churns are in use for the purposes of the business of a dairyman;
 - (e) for prescribing the precautions to be taken for protecting milk against infection or contamination ;
 - (f) for preventing danger to health from the sale of infected, contaminated or dirty milk, and in particular for prohibiting the supply or sale of milk suspected of being infected;
 - (g) for imposing obligations on dairymen and their employees in regard to cases of infectious illness ;
 - (h) for regulating the cooling, storage, conveyance and distribution of milk;
 - (j) with respect to the labelling, marking or identification, and the sealing or closing, of churns and other vessels used for the conveyance of milk, the labelling of vessels in which milk is sold or offered or exposed for sale or

delivered, and the display of the vendor's name and address on any stall, or any cart, barrow or other vehicle; from which milk is sold or delivered;

- (k) in cases where no express provision is made by this Act, for prohibiting or restricting—
 - (i) the addition of any substance to milk, or the abstraction from milk of fat or any other constituent,
 - (ii) the sale of milk to which any such addition, or from which any such abstraction, has been made, or which has been otherwise artificially treated;
- (1) for prohibiting or restricting, subject to prescribed exceptions, the sale for human consumption, as milk of any specified description, of milk containing less than a specified quantity of any specified normal constituent;
- (m) for requiring, subject to prescribed exceptions, cream or separated milk to be subjected to a specified treatment before being sold for human consumption;
- (n) for prohibiting, subject to prescribed exceptions, the sale for human consumption of milk obtained from cows milked—
 - (i) at any stage of a journey to or from a dairy farm,
 - (ii) at a slaughterhouse or knacker's yard, or
 - (iii) in any market or other place where cattle are collected for the purposes of sale or showing, whether or not the market or place is registered in pursuance of Milk and Dairies Regulations as a dairy farm;
- (o) for requiring, subject to prescribed exceptions, any milk to which regulations in force under paragraph (n) apply to be stained or otherwise treated for the purposes of identification.
- (2) In subsection (1)—
 - (a) " prescribed exceptions" means such exceptions as may be allowed by or under Milk and Dairies Regulations ; and
 - (b) except in paragraph (o), " milk " means milk intended for sale or sold for human consumption, or intended for manufacture into products for sale for human consumption.
- (3) Paragraph (m) of subsection (1), so far as it relates to cream, shall be without prejudice to the power of the Ministers under section 4 to make regulations applying to cream, but regulations made under paragraph (j), paragraph (k) or paragraph (l) of that subsection shall not apply in relation to cream in so far as they are made for any purpose for which regulations relating to cream may be made under section 4.
- (4) Milk and Dairies Regulations may be general regulations or regulations limited to a particular area.