

Prohibition of Exposure or Movement of Diseased or Suspected Animals.

- 15.—(1) It shall not be lawful for any person—
- (a) to expose a diseased or suspected animal in a market or fair, or in a sale-yard, or other public or private place where animals are commonly exposed for sale; or
 - (b) to place a diseased or suspected animal in a lair or other place adjacent to or connected with a market or a fair, or where animals are commonly placed before exposure for sale; or
 - (c) to send or carry, or cause to be sent or carried, a diseased or suspected animal on a railway, canal, river, or inland navigation, or in a coasting vessel; or
 - (d) to carry, lead, or drive, or cause to be carried, led, or driven, a diseased or suspected animal on a highway or thoroughfare; or
 - (e) to place or keep a diseased or suspected animal on common or uninclosed land, or in a field or place insufficiently fenced, or in a field adjoining a highway, unless that field is so fenced or situate that animals therein cannot in any manner come in contact with animals passing along that highway or grazing on the sides thereof; or
 - (f) to graze a diseased or suspected animal on pasture being on the sides of a highway; or
 - (g) to allow a diseased or suspected animal to stray on a highway or thoroughfare or on the sides thereof, or to be on common or uninclosed land, or in a field or place insufficiently fenced.
- (2) Notwithstanding anything in this Order an animal exposed or otherwise dealt with in contravention of this Article may be moved by or under the direction of an Inspector of the Local Authority to some convenient and isolated place.

Powers of Board of Agriculture and Fisheries.

16. Any powers by this Order conferred upon a Local Authority or an Inspector of a Local Authority may at any time be exercised by the Board or an Inspector of the Board respectively.

Local Authority to enforce Order.

17. The provisions of this Order, except where it is otherwise provided, shall be executed and enforced by the Local Authority.

Weekly Returns of Anthrax.

18. Where the existence of anthrax is certified under Article 5 of this Order by a Veterinary Inspector of the Board, an Inspector of the Local Authority shall forthwith make a return thereof to the Local Authority and to the Board, on a form provided by the Board, with all particulars therein required, and shall continue to so make a return thereof on the Saturday of every week until the disease has ceased.

Extension of certain Sections of Diseases of Animals Act, 1894.

19. Horses, asses, mules, and dogs (as well as the animals specified in the Act of 1894) shall be animals, and anthrax (that is to say, the disease called or known as anthrax, splenic fever, or splenic apoplexy of animals) shall be a disease,

for the purposes of the following sections of the Act of 1894 (namely):

Section forty-three (Police);

Section forty-four (General Administrative Provisions);

and also for the purposes of all other sections of the said Act containing provisions relative to or consequent on the provisions of those sections and this Order, including such sections as relate to offences and legal proceedings.

Presumption of Knowledge of Disease.

20. Where the owner or person in charge of an animal or carcase is charged with an offence against the Act of 1894 relative to anthrax, he shall be presumed to have known of the existence of that disease, unless and until he shows, to the satisfaction of the Court, that he had not knowledge thereof, and could not with reasonable diligence have obtained that knowledge.

Offences.

21.—(1) If an animal or any thing is moved in contravention of this Order, or of a Notice served thereunder, the owner of the animal or thing, and the person for the time being in charge thereof, and the person causing, directing, or permitting the movement, and the person moving or conveying the animal or thing, and the owner and the charterer and the master of the vessel in which it is moved, and the consignee or other person receiving or keeping it knowing it to have been moved in contravention as aforesaid, and the occupier of the place from which the animal or thing is moved, shall, each according to and in respect of his own acts and defaults, be deemed guilty of an offence against the Act of 1894.

(2) If a carcase is buried or destroyed or otherwise dealt with in contravention of this Order, the owner of the carcase, and the person for the time being in charge thereof, and the person causing, directing, or permitting the carcase to be so buried, destroyed, or otherwise dealt with, shall, each according to and in respect of his own acts and defaults, be deemed guilty of an offence against the Act of 1894.

Revocation of Order.

22. The Order described in the Second Schedule to this Order is hereby revoked.

Extent.

23. This Order extends to England and Wales and Scotland.

Commencement.

24. This Order shall come into operation on the first day of January, nineteen hundred and eleven.

Short Title.

25. This Order may be cited as the ANTHRAX ORDER OF 1910.

In witness whereof the Board of Agriculture and Fisheries have hereunto set their Official Seal, this twenty-fourth day of September nineteen hundred and ten.

L. S.

T. H. ELLIOTT,
Secretary.