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(FOOT-AND-MOUTH DISEASE.)

ORDER OF THE BOARD OF AGRICULTURE.

(DATED 14TH FEBRUARY 1900.)

THE Board of Agriculture, by virtue and in exercise of the powers in them vested under the Diseases of Animals Acts, 1894 and 1896, and of every other power enabling them in this behalf, do order, and it is hereby ordered, as follows :

*Movement for Slaughter within District.*

1.—(1.) Notwithstanding anything in the Order described in the Schedule hereto an animal (not being in a Foot-and-Mouth Disease Infected Place) may be moved for slaughter to a slaughter-house within the District defined by the said Order, provided that the animal is accompanied by a Movement Licence and marked as required by this Order.

(2.) The Licence shall only be granted on a declaration of the owner of the animal or his agent authorized in writing for this purpose to the effect :

(a.) that the animal is not affected with Foot-and-Mouth Disease and has not during the preceding twenty-eight days been in any way exposed to the infection of such disease ; and

(b.) that the movement of the animal is not prohibited by Notice of an Inspector of the Local Authority or of the Board given under any Order of the Board ; and every such Declaration shall be annexed to the Licence granted thereon.

(3.) The Licence, in the case of an animal within a Foot-and-Mouth Disease Infected Area, may be granted by an Inspector of the Board for movement to the nearest available slaughter-house, and in the case of any other animal may be granted either by such Inspector or by an Inspector of the Local Authority of the place from which the animal is to be moved.

(4.) The Licence shall be in force for not more than four days, inclusive of the day of issue, and shall specify the name and address of the person to whom the Licence is granted, the number and description of the animals to be moved, and the name or description of the place or premises from which and the slaughter-house to which the animals are to be moved.

(5.) Every animal shall, before the movement is commenced, be marked by and at the expense of the owner in manner following :

*Cattle.*—By the clipping of a broad arrow  $\blacktriangle$  about six inches long on the left hind quarter of the cattle and by the clipping of the hair off the end of the tail.

*Sheep.*—By the clipping of a broad arrow  $\blacktriangle$  on the forehead of each of the sheep, and by the painting or stamping of the letter M, about six inches long, on both sides of each of the sheep with the following composition, namely :—Rosin, five parts ; oil of turpentine, two parts ; and blue or red ochre, one part ; melted and used warm : or with some other adhesive composition of a blue or red colour.

*Swine.*—By the painting or stamping of the letter M, about six inches long, on both sides of each of the swine with the composition above-mentioned.

(6.) Every animal shall be moved by the nearest available route and be accompanied by the Licence and shall be slaughtered after its arrival at the slaughter-house without unnecessary delay.

*Saving for Regulations of Local Authority.*

2. Movement of animals under this Order is subject to any Regulation made by a Local Authority under any Order of the Board for prohibiting or regulating the movement of animals, but nothing in any such Regulation shall permit the movement of animals in contravention of any Order of the Board.

*Production of Licences ; Names and Addresses.*

3.—(1.) Any person in charge of an animal being moved, where under this Order a Movement Licence is necessary, shall, on demand of a Justice, or of a constable, or of an Inspector or other officer of the Board or of a Local Authority, produce and show to him the Licence, if any, necessary for 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.

*Offences.*

4.—(1.) If any person, with a view to unlawfully evade or defeat the operation of this Order, by washing, or in any other manner, takes out, effaces, or obliterates, or attempts to take out, efface, or obliterate, any mark painted on any animal as required by this Order, the person doing the same, and the person causing, directing, or permitting the same to be done, and the owner of the animal, and the person for the time being in charge thereof, 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 person in charge of an animal being moved, where under this Order a Movement Licence is necessary, on demand made under this Order, fails to give his true name and address, or gives a false name or address, he shall be deemed guilty of an offence against the Act of 1894.

*Interpretation.*

5. In this Order—

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

“The Board” means the Board of Agriculture :

“Animal” includes cattle, sheep, goats, and swine.

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

*Commencement.*

6. This Order shall come into operation on the fifteenth day of February, one thousand nine hundred.

In witness whereof the Board of Agriculture have hereunto set their Official Seal this fourteenth day of February, one thousand nine hundred.

L. S.

T. H. Elliott,  
Secretary.