

ORDER OF THE BOARD OF
AGRICULTURE.

(DATED 20TH SEPTEMBER 1902.)

SWINE-FEVER (INFECTED AREAS)
ORDER OF 1902.

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 :

Definition of Infected Area.

1. This Order shall apply only to an area declared by Special Order of the Board to be a Swine-Fever Infected Area, which area is in this Order referred to as an Infected Area.

Restriction on Movement of Swine.

2. Swine shall not be moved along, over, or across a highway or thoroughfare in an Infected Area, whether in a vehicle or not, except as expressly authorized by this Order.

Movement of Swine with Licence.

3.—(1.) Swine (not being in a Swine-Fever Infected Place) may be moved along, over, or across a highway or thoroughfare in an Infected Area if accompanied by a Movement Licence authorizing such movement (in the Form A set forth in the Schedule to this Order or to the like effect) granted by the Local Authority of the District in which the swine are when the Licence is granted.

(2.) The Licence shall be in force for not more than four days inclusive of the day of issue, and shall only be granted on a Declaration, to the effect hereinafter provided, signed by the owner of the swine or his agent authorized in writing for this purpose.

(3.) Every person to whom application is made for a Licence shall, so far as is practicable, before granting the same, satisfy himself as to the correctness of the Declaration, and that the proposed movement is necessary or expedient.

(4.) The Declaration shall be retained by the person granting the Licence and disposed of by him as may be directed by the Local Authority on whose behalf the Licence was granted.

(5.) The swine shall be moved by the nearest available route and without unnecessary delay, and where the place of destination specified in the Licence is in an Infected Area the swine shall be moved to such place and not elsewhere.

(6.) A Local Authority shall forthwith send to the Board a copy of every Licence granted by them under this Order.

Movement of Swine for Breeding Purposes with Licence.

4.—(1.) A Licence under this Order expressly granted for the movement of swine to any premises for breeding purposes shall be available as a Licence under this Order for the movement of the swine by the nearest available route and without unnecessary delay back to the premises from which they were moved under the Licence: Provided that such movement shall take place within the four days or less period during which the Licence is available.

(2.) No Licence shall be granted for movement of swine for breeding purposes to premises in an Infected Area from premises not in an Infected Area.

Declaration necessary for Licence for Movement of Swine into Infected Area.

5. A Declaration in the Form B set forth in the Schedule to this Order or to the like effect shall be sufficient where the movement to be authorized by the Licence is to premises in an Infected Area from—

(a.) a railway station, wharf, or other premises in such Infected Area to which the swine mentioned in the Declaration have been moved without any movement along, over or across a highway or thoroughfare in an Infected Area; or

(b.) from premises not in an Infected Area.

Declaration necessary for Licence for Movement of Swine in other cases.

6. In any case to which the preceding Article does not apply, a Declaration in the Form C set forth in the Schedule to this Order or to the like effect shall be necessary.

Licences after Completion of Movement.

7. Where swine are moved with a Licence under this Order to premises in an Infected Area, the Licence shall, unless otherwise directed by any Order of the Board, forthwith after completion of the movement be delivered up at, or sent by post to, the nearest Police Station by the person in charge of the swine at the time of completing the said movement.

Regulation of Sales in Infected Area.

8. No market, fair, sale, or exhibition of swine shall be held in an Infected Area except a sale held in accordance with the following conditions :

(i.) All the swine exposed at the sale must have been on the premises where the sale is held for a period of at least twenty-eight days immediately before the date of the sale; and no pig must have been brought on to those premises within such period, whether for breeding purposes or otherwise;

(ii.) The swine must not be affected with swine-fever or have been exposed to the infection of swine-fever during the said period; and

(iii.) The sale must not be held in a Swine-Fever Infected Place, and the movement of the swine must not have been prohibited by Notice of an Inspector of a Local Authority or of the Board given under any Order of the Board.

Straying of Swine on Highways.

9. No pig shall be allowed to stray on a highway or thoroughfare or on the sides thereof in an Infected Area.

Movement of Swine landed from Ireland in Infected Area.

10. Swine landed from Ireland at a port or place in an Infected Area may be moved free from any restrictions imposed by this Order from the landing-place forthwith by the most direct route to the nearest available railway-station from which the swine can be moved to their place of destination.