

extent, and subject to the rules and conditions prescribed in that notice, or in those Regulations, as evidence that the cattle or pig from which the meat is derived has been certified by a competent authority in the place of origin to be free from disease at the time of slaughter, and that the meat has been certified by the like authority to have been dressed or prepared, and packed with the needful observance of all requirements for the prevention of danger arising to public health from the meat as an article of food ;

(2) The expression "Foreign Meat of Class I" means foreign meat in the form

(A) Of scrap meat, namely, meat which, whether it is fresh, or has, before importation, been subjected to a process of freezing or other refrigeration, or to chemical or other treatment, with or without the addition of any preservative or colouring substance—

(i) consists of scraps, trimmings or other pieces of such shape or in such condition as to afford insufficient means of identification with definite parts of a carcase ;

(ii) has not, before importation, been made ready for human consumption in the form of a sausage, or of another prepared or manufactured article of food ; and

(iii) is without bone in its natural state of attachment ; or

(B) Of tripe, namely, any edible part of the stomach, or of a tongue, or kidney, to which formalin, or a solution, or other preparation of, or comprising formic aldehyde ; or a compound containing fluorine or boron ; or salicylic acid, formic acid, sulphurous acid, benzoic acid, or any compound of any such acid has been applied ; or

(c) Of severed parts of the carcase of a pig or of other edible parts of a pig, which have not, before importation, been salted, cured, pickled, dried, or smoked, or otherwise prepared as bacon or ham, and which are not contained in a box, case, receptacle, or package with an official Certificate impressed thereon, or affixed or attached thereto ;

(7) The expression "Foreign Meat of Class II" means foreign meat which, being in the form of the entire carcase of a pig, has not, before importation, been salted, cured, pickled, dried, or smoked, or otherwise prepared as bacon or ham, and is without the head in its natural state of attachment to the carcase, and is without the lymphatic glands about the throat and any other part of the carcase in their natural position ;

(k) The expression "Foreign Meat of Class III" means foreign meat which is in the form of severed parts of the carcase of a pig, or of other edible parts of a pig, which has not before importation been salted, cured, pickled, dried, or smoked, or otherwise prepared as bacon or ham, which is not and does not comprise any foreign meat of Class I, and which is contained in a box, case, receptacle, or package with an official Certificate impressed thereon, or affixed or attached thereto ;

(l) The expression "Foreign Meat Unclassed" means foreign meat other than foreign meat of Class I, foreign meat of Class II, or foreign meat of Class III ;

(m) The expression "importer" means any person in the United Kingdom who, either as owner or consignee, agent or broker, is entitled to the possession, custody, or control of any foreign meat ;

(n) The expression "ship" includes a vessel or boat ;

(o) The expression "Officer of Customs" includes any person acting under the authority of the Commissioners of His Majesty's Customs ;

(p) The expression "Master" used in relation to a ship includes the officer, or other person for the time being in charge or command of the ship ;

(q) The expression "Sanitary Authority" means every Port Sanitary Authority, and every Council of a Municipal Borough or other Urban District, and every Rural District Council whose borough or district includes or abuts on any part of a Customs port which part is not within the jurisdiction of a Port Sanitary Authority ;

(r) The expression "the District" means the District of a Sanitary Authority ;

(s) The expression "Medical Officer of Health" includes any duly qualified Medical Practitioner appointed or employed by a Sanitary Authority to act in the execution of these Regulations ; and any other person appointed or employed by the Sanitary Authority under these Regulations to exercise any powers, or to discharge any duties assigned to the Medical Officer of Health ;

(t) The expression "Local Authority" means every Council of a Municipal Borough or other Urban District and every Rural District Council, not being a Sanitary Authority within the meaning of these Regulations, and includes the Common Council of the City of London and every Council of a Metropolitan Borough ;

(u) The expression "area" used in relation to a Local Authority means the area subject to the jurisdiction of the Local Authority for the purposes of the Public Health Act, 1875, or of the Public Health (London) Act, 1891, as the case may be.

Commencement and extent of Regulations.

Article II.—These Regulations shall come into operation on the First day of January, One thousand nine hundred and nine, and shall then and thereafter apply and have effect in relation to the District of every Sanitary Authority throughout England and Wales, and shall be enforced and executed by every Officer of Customs, by every Sanitary Authority, and by the Medical Officer of Health, and where the circumstances so require, by any other Officer of a Sanitary Authority.

Examination of Foreign Meat by Customs Officer.

Article III.—(1) The Officer of Customs, on the arrival of a ship within the District, shall ascertain whether the cargo of the ship comprises any foreign meat.

(2) Where the Officer of Customs finds, or has reason to believe, that the cargo comprises foreign meat having, according to the best opinion which, in the circumstances of the case, his knowledge enables him to form, the characteristics of Foreign Meat of Class I., or of Foreign Meat of Class II.,