

forthwith give information of the receipt by him of the notice to an Inspector of the Local Authority, who shall forthwith report the same to the Local Authority.

(3.) The cow and its calf (if any) shall be kept separate by the owner or person in charge thereof from any bull or cow (other than a calf) pending the inquiry by the Local Authority as to the existence of epizootic abortion.

(4.) The membranes, discharges and other matter liable to cause infection, and the calf, if born dead, shall be destroyed by the owner or person in charge of the cow as soon as possible by burning or burial in lime, but not until such samples as are required for the purpose of the prescribed veterinary inquiry have been taken by the officer employed by the Local Authority to carry out such inquiry. Such matter shall, as far as practicable, be removed from contact with cows by the owner or person in charge of the cow.

*Inquiry by Local Authority as to existence of Epizootic Abortion.*

3.—(1.) The Local Authority on receiving information of a premature calving shall forthwith cause inquiry to be instituted, with the assistance and advice of a Veterinary Inspector or of a veterinary practitioner qualified according to the Act of 1894 to be a Veterinary Inspector, to ascertain whether it was caused by epizootic abortion.

(2.) The owner and occupier of any premises on which there is a cow which has calved prematurely shall give all reasonable facilities for the inquiry by the Local Authority under this Article.

*Isolation of Diseased Animals by Notice served by Inspector of Local Authority.*

4.—(1.) The Local Authority, unless satisfied by an inquiry under the preceding Article that the premature calving was not caused by epizootic abortion, shall forthwith cause a Notice (in the Form set forth in the Schedule to this Order or to the like effect) to be served by an Inspector of the Local Authority on the owner or person in charge of the cow affected requiring that the cow and its calf (if any) be detained on or in the premises specified in the Notice, and after the service of such Notice it shall not be lawful for any person, until the expiration of two calendar months from the date of the calving, or the previous withdrawal of the Notice by an Inspector of the Local Authority—

- (i.) to move the cow or its calf, or permit either to stray, from or out of such premises, except as hereinafter provided; or
- (ii.) to remove from or out of such premises any dung, fodder, litter, or other thing that has been in contact with the cow, without the written permission of an Inspector of the Local Authority.

(2.) The owner or person in charge of the cow or calf shall from time to time, as often as occasion may require, or as an Inspector of the Local Authority may direct, cleanse and disinfect such internal and external parts of the cow as have been in contact with infectious

membranes, discharges or other matter, and also cleanse and disinfect the calf.

(3.) An Inspector of the Local Authority, if satisfied that the movement of a cow or its calf to which a Notice applies to some other place of detention is expedient for purposes of isolation or other necessary purpose, may by Licence authorise such movement, and the cow or its calf may thereupon be so moved, subject to the directions of the Inspector, by the nearest available route and without unnecessary delay, to such place of detention, and thereupon the Notice shall have effect as if such place of detention were therein specified.

(4.) A cow or its calf detained under a Notice under this Order may be moved from or out of the place of detention specified in the Notice to a slaughterhouse, if accompanied by a Movement Licence authorising such movement granted by an Inspector of the Local Authority of the District in which the premises are situate from which the cow or calf is to be moved. On arrival at the slaughterhouse the cow or calf shall be there detained until it is slaughtered.

(5.) Every Licence granted under this Article shall be delivered up at, or sent by post to, the nearest police station in the same District by the person in charge of the cow or calf at the time of completing the movement authorised by the Licence.

(6.) An Inspector shall with all practicable speed send copies of any Notice or Licence issued by him under this Article to the Local Authority, and to the police officer in charge of the nearest police station of the District. Where the place of destination is in another District the Inspector shall also send a copy of the Licence to the Local Authority of that District.

(7.) A calf placed with a cow shall, for the purpose of this Article, be treated as its calf.

*Provision in case of Second Case of Premature Calving.*

5. Where a premature calving of a cow takes place on any farm or premises on which a cow has aborted from epizootic abortion within three calendar months, the Local Authority may cause a Notice in respect of the subsequent premature calving to be served under the preceding Article without the necessity of the veterinary inquiry hereinbefore prescribed, unless at or immediately after their receipt of the information of premature calving they are furnished by the owner or person in charge of the cow with a veterinary certificate to the effect that the premature calving was not caused by epizootic abortion.

*Cleansing, Disinfection and other Precautions.*

6. The occupier of any premises on which there is a cow the movement of which is restricted by this Order shall take such steps as an Inspector of the Local Authority may direct to prevent its dung, urine or discharges coming in contact with cows or heifers in-calf on premises in other occupation.

*Granting of Movement Licences.*

7. A Movement Licence granted under this Order shall not be available if granted by the