

# Agricultural Produce (Meat Regulation and Pig Industry) Act (Northern Ireland) 1962

## **1962 CHAPTER 13**

## **PART III**

#### MISCELLANEOUS AND GENERAL

# 22 Interpretation.

In this Act the expression—

- "animals" means cattle, pigs, sheep, goats and horses;
- "authorised" and "recognised" mean, respectively, authorised and recognised by the Ministry;
- "bacon" means bacon produced from pigs killed and cured, or from carcases of pigs cured, in Northern Ireland, and includes any part of a pig (including chaps, and hams) which is in any manner cured (with the exception of heads, without chaps, and of feet, tails and offal) by such salting, pickling, processing or preserving for any period as will in any way alter the character of the meat;
- "carrier" means any person carrying goods for hire or reward;
- "container" means a covered receptacle used for the transport of meat or pig products;
- "curing licence" has the meaning assigned to that expression by sub-section (1) of section ten;
- [F1 "district council" includes an officer authorised by a district council to discharge the functions of the council under this Act];
- "grade" means a designation indicating quality;

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- "inspector" means an inspector appointed or recognised by the Ministry;
- "licensed bacon curer" means the holder of a curing licence under section ten;

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[F2 "meat" means the carcase of an animal or any part of the carcase or offals of an animal, whether processed or not, which is capable of being used for human consumption,... F3;]

"meat detention officer" means an officer holding a Meat Detention Diploma issued by the Royal College of Veterinary Surgeons or an officer who holds an equivalent qualification accepted by the Ministry;

"meat shipping licence" has the meaning assigned to that expression by subsection (1) of section two;

"Ministry" means the Ministry of Agriculture;

"offals" means all entrails, fat and parts of an animal, other than the dressed carcase, which are capable of being used for human consumption;

"package" includes any wrapper, case, cask, box, crate or other receptacle;

"pig products" means pork and bacon and anything derived from pigs which is capable of being used for human consumption or in the preparation of food for human consumption;

"pigs" includes the carcases of pigs;

"prescribed" means prescribed by regulations made by the Ministry under this Act; [F4 "processing" means subjecting meat to a process for or incidental to any treatment of the meat by canning, cooking, smoking [F5 curing], rendering or dehydrating or otherwise howsoever preparing it for food whether in combination with, or without, other materials;]

"producer of pig products" means a person who purchases whole pigs for the purpose of producing pig products therefrom;

"rabbits" includes hares;

"registered premises" has the meaning assigned to that expression by sub-section (1) [F5 and (1A)] of section three;

"send" includes taking or carrying or causing to be sent, taken or carried;

[F4 "treatment", except in the definition of "processing", includes cooling, chilling, freezing and preserving;]

"veterinary inspector" means an inspector who is a veterinary surgeon or veterinary practitioner.

- **F1** SRO (NI) 1973/343
- **F2** 1970 c. 20 (NI)
- **F3** 1977 NI 12
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