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Now, therefore, I, the Right Honourable Sir Basil Stanlake Brooke, Bart., Minister of Agriculture for Northern Ireland, hereby appoint the nineteenth day of October, 1936, to be the appointed day for the coming into operation of the provisions of Sections Eight, Nine, Twelve and Fifteen of the Act.

(Signed),

Basil Brooke, Minister of Agriculture for Northern Ireland.

13th October, 1936.

Appointed Day for the Operation of Certain Provisions of the Marketing of Eggs Act (Northern Ireland), 1936.

1936. No. 153.

WHEREAS by Section Seventeen of the Marketing of Eggs Act (Northern Ireland), 1936 (hereinafter referred to as "the Act") it is provided that the Act shall come into operation on the appointed day and that the appointed day for the purposes of the Act shall be such day as the Minister of Agriculture may appoint and that different days may be appointed for different purposes and different provisions of the Act :

And whereas it is expedient that a day be appointed for the coming into operation of the provisions of Sections Six and Sixteen of the Act :

Now, therefore, I, the Right Honourable Sir Basil Stanlake Brooke, Bart., Minister of Agriculture for Northern Ireland, hereby appoint the first day of January, 1937, to be the appointed day for the coming into operation of the provisions of Sections Six and Sixteen of the Act.

> B. S. Brooke, Minister of Agriculture for Northern Ireland.

3rd November, 1936.

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THE EGG MARKETING COMMITTEE (ELECTION OF MEMBERS BY LICENSED WHOLESALE DEALERS OF CLASS A) RULES (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1936, DATED THE NINTH DAY OF JULY, 1936, MADE BY THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE FOR NORTHERN IRELAND UNDER SECTION SEVEN OF THE MARKETING OF EGGS ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1924 (14 AND 15 GEO. V., CH. 15).

1936. No. 98.

The Ministry of Agriculture for Northern Ireland, in exercise of the powers conferred on it by Section Seven of the Marketing

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of Eggs Act (Northern Ireland), 1924, and of every other power enabling it in that behalf, hereby makes the following Rules, that is to say:--

PART I.

Short Title and Interpretation.

1. These Rules may be cited as the Egg Marketing Committee (Election of Members by Licensed Wholesale Dealers of Class A) Rules (Northern Ireland), 1936.

- 2.—(1) In these Rules, unless the context otherwise requires :—
 "Act of 1931" means the Marketing of Eggs Act (Northern Ireland), 1931;
 - "Committee" means the Egg Marketing Committee for Northern Ireland;
 - "Ministry " means the Ministry of Agriculture for Northern Ireland ;
 - "Principal Act" means the Marketing of Eggs Act (Northern Ireland), 1924.

Other expressions have the meanings respectively assigned to them in the Marketing of Eggs Acts (Northern Ireland), 1924 to 1936.

(2) The Interpretation Act, 1889 (a), as applied to Northern Ireland by the Interpretation Act, 1921(b), shall apply for the purpose of the interpretation of these Rules as it applies for the purpose of the interpretation of an Act of Parliament.

PART II.

Registration of Electors and Allotment of Votes.

3. The Ministry shall, for the purpose of any election of one or more members of the Committee by licensed wholesale dealers of Class A, prepare a Register of all persons who on the fifteenth day of the month next preceding that in which occurs the day appointed as the last day for the receipt of nominations held Class A licences granted under Section One of the principal Act (in these Rules referred to as "licensed wholesale dealers of Class A"), and the Register shall show in separate sections the names and addresses of the licensed wholesale dealers of Class A included in each of the following Electoral Divisions :—

Division I. —Licensed wholesale dealers of Class A who during the prescribed period sent not less than 300,000 dozen of eggs to Great Britain, the Irish Free State or the Isle of Man;

Division II. —Licensed wholesale dealers of Class A who during the prescribed period sent less than 300,000 dozen of eggs, but not less than 90,000

- (a) 52-3V. c. 63.
- (b) 12 Geo. V., c. 4. (N.I.).

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dozen of eggs to Great Britain, the Irish Free State or the Isle of Man;

Division III.—Licensed wholesale dealers of Class A not included in either of the foregoing Divisions.

4. The members of the Committee elected by licensed wholesale dealers of Class A at any election shall be elected by the persons registered for the purpose of such election in pursuance of Article Three of these Rules, and the number of members elected by persons registered in each Electoral Division shall be as follows :—

Division I \dots	••	three members.
" II . <i>.</i>	• •	one member.
,, III	••	one member.

5.—(1) For the purpose of an election of members by persons registered in any Electoral Division, the Ministry shall allot votes as follows :—

- (a) in the case of an election by persons registered in Division I of the Register, to each person registered in that Division, one vote, together with an additional vote for each 30,000 dozen of eggs in excess of 300,000 dozen of eggs sent by him during the prescribed period to Great Britain, the Irish Free State or the Isle of Man;
- (b) in the case of an election by persons registered in Division II of the Register, to each person registered in that Division one vote, together with an additional vote for each 30,000 dozen of eggs in excess of 90,000 dozen of eggs sent by him during the prescribed period to Great Britain, the Irish Free State or the Isle of Man;
- (c) in the case of an election by persons registered in Division III of the Register, to each person registered in that Division, one vote, together with an additional vote for each 30,000 dozen of eggs (if any) sent by him during the prescribed period to Great Britain, the Irish Free State or the Isle of Man.

(2) Any question relating to the number of votes to which a person is entitled shall be determined by the Ministry, and such determination shall be final.

(3) A voter shall not vote for more candidates for any Electoral Division than there are vacancies to be filled in that Division, and shall give to each candidate for whom he votes the number of votes which has been allotted to him by the Ministry. 6. For the purpose of this Part of these Rules the prescribed period shall, in relation to any election, be the twelve months ending on the last day of the last period in respect of which licence fees payable in pursuance of section one of the Act of 1931, have by virtue of any Regulations made under the Principal Act, become due, provided that where the last day of such period is less than thirty clear days before the day appointed as the last day for the receipt of nominations, the prescribed period shall be the twelve months ending on the last day of the preceding period.

PART III.

First Election of Members of the Committee.

7. The first election of members of the Committee by licensed wholesale dealers of Class A shall be held not later than the 30th September, 1936, and the last day for the receipt of nominations shall be such day as shall be appointed by the Ministry for the purpose. The other proceedings in connexion with the election shall be taken in accordance with the provisions of these Rules and not later than the times mentioned in the First Schedule thereto.

Elections to fill Ordinary Vacancies.

8. An election for the purpose of filling a vacancy occurring by reason of the expiration of the term of office of a member of the Committee elected by licensed wholesale dealers of Class A shall be held not less than thirty clear days before the date upon which such vacancy occurs, and the last day for the receipt of nominations shall be such day as shall be appointed by the Ministry for the purpose. The other proceedings in connexion with the election shall be taken in accordance with the provisions of these Rules and not later than the times mentioned in the First Schedule thereto.

Elections to fill Casual Vacancies.

9. In the event of a casual vacancy for a member of the Committee elected by licensed wholesale dealers of Class A occurring by death, resignation or otherwise, the vacancy shall be filled in the following manner :—

Not more than ten days after notice in writing of the vacancy shall have been given to the Ministry by the Secretary to the Committee, the Ministry shall proceed to hold an election to fill the vacancy and shall appoint a day as the last day for the receipt of nominations. The other proceedings in connexion with the filling of the vacancy shall be taken in accordance with the provisions of these Rules and not later than the times mentioned in the First Schedule thereto. Eggs Marketing Committee : Election of Members

PART IV.

Arrangements for the Conduct of Elections of Members of the Committee.

10. Where an election is required to be held for any Electoral Division the Ministry shall, not later than the last day for the giving of notice of the holding of an election, give public notice that an election is about to be held for that Electoral Division, and such notice shall include a statement of the day appointed . as the last day for the receipt of nominations, the number of vacancies to be filled, and the manner in which nomination papers may be obtained.

11. Each candidate for election shall be nominated in writing, and the nomination paper shall be in the form prescribed in the Second Schedule to these Rules, or in a form to the like effect. The nomination paper, which shall be signed by two persons as proposer and seconder, respectively, and by at least five other persons as assenting to the nomination, and countersigned by the candidate, shall be sent by registered post to the Secretary, Ministry of Agriculture, Stormont, Belfast, so as to arrive not later than the day appointed as the last day for the receipt of nominations. The proposer and the seconder, and the assentors to the nomination of a candidate for election shall be persons registered in the Electoral Division for which the election is being held.

12.—(1) As soon as may be after the day appointed as the last day for the receipt of nominations, the Ministry shall publish the names and addresses of the candidates who have been duly nominated, together with a statement of the last day for the withdrawal of candidates and of the manner in which such withdrawal may be made.

(2) Any candidate may withdraw his candidature by sending by registered post to the Secretary, Ministry of Agriculture, Stormont, Belfast, not later than the day appointed as the last day for the withdrawal of candidates, a notice in writing of such withdrawal signed by him.

13. If the number of candidates who receive valid nominations for election for any Electoral Division, and who do not withdraw their candidature under Article twelve of these Rules, is, in any case, equal to, or less than, the number of persons to be elected for that Electoral Division, such candidate or candidates shall be declared to be elected.

. 14.—(1) If the number of candidates who receive valid nominations for election for any Electoral Division, and who do not withdraw their candidature under Article twelve of these Rules, exceeds the number of persons to be elected for that Electoral Division, an election shall be held by post in accordance with the provisions of these Rules.

(2) Where an election is required to be held for any Electoral Division under paragraph (1) of this Article, the Ministry shall, not later than the last day for the issue of voting papers, cause a voting paper to be sent to every person entitled to vote in an election for that Electoral Division, and every voting paper shall contain a statement of the number of votes which has been allotted to the voter under Article five of these Rules and of the last day for the receipt of voting papers.

(3) Only such of the said voting papers as are properly completed and as reach the Ministry on or before the last day for the receipt of voting papers, shall be taken into account for the purpose of the election.

(4) The candidate, or where more than one vacancy is to be filled, the candidates, to whom is given the highest number of votes shall be declared elected.

(5) If an equality of votes is found to exist between any candidates, and the addition of a vote would entitle any of such candidates to be declared elected, the Ministry shall, in the presence of the candidates or of persons (if any) nominated by them for the purpose, determine by lot which of the candidates whose votes are equal shall be elected.

In Witness whereof the Official Seal of the Ministry of Agriculture for Northern Ireland is hereunto affixed this ninth day of July, Nineteen hundred and thirty-six, in the presence of

(L.S.)

J. Taylor,

Assistant Secretary.

FIRST SCHEDULF.

Times for	Proceedings	at Elections	of Members of the Committee by Licensed
-	-	Wholesale	Dealers of Class A.

Proceedings.	Time. Fourteen clear days before the day appointed as the last day for the receipt of nomina- tions.	
1. Last day for the giving of Notice of an Election		
2. Last day for withdrawal of candidates	Four clear days after the day appointed as the last day for the receipt of nominations.	
3. Last day for the issue of voting papers	Fifteen clear days after the day appointed as the last day for the receipt of nom- inations.	
4. Last day for the receipt of voting papers	Twenty-one clear days after the day appointed as the last day for the receipt of nominations.	

Note.—If any of the dates in the above Table falls on a Sunday, a Bank Holiday or other Public Holiday, the reference to it shall be construed as a reference to the following day.

SECOND SCHEDULE.

Form of Nomination Paper for Candidates for Election to the Egg Marketing Committee by Licensed Wholesale Dealers of Class A.

Electoral Division					
Name of Candidate.	Full Postal Address of Candidate.				
We, the undersigned, being licensed wholes hereby nominate the above-mentioned person a Division.	ale dealers of Class A registered in Electoral Divisons a candidate for election as a member of the Egg Marketing Comr	nittee for that Electoral			
Countersignature of Candidate.					
Name in full (in ink).	. Address in foli (in ink).	As .			
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