

**Tuberculosis (Attested Herds) Scheme**

SCHEME DATED 10TH SEPTEMBER, 1954, MADE BY THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE UNDER SECTION 10(2) OF THE AGRICULTURE ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1949 (a).

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The Ministry of Agriculture by virtue and in exercise of the powers conferred on it by sub-section 2 of Section 10 of the Agriculture Act (Northern Ireland) 1949, and of every other power enabling it in that behalf and with the approval of the Ministry of Finance, hereby makes the following Scheme:—

1. In order to encourage owners of herds of cattle in Northern Ireland to establish herds of cattle officially certified to be free from Tuberculosis the Ministry is prepared to undertake, on the application of the owner, the testing of any herd of cattle in Northern Ireland and if no reactors to T.B. be found therein to issue a certificate of attestation in respect of that herd and to enter it in the register of attested herds kept by the Ministry and to keep it so registered so long as the rules contained in the First Schedule hereto are strictly observed and performed by the owner; in order to assist owners of herds to qualify for such certificates the Ministry is prepared to entertain applications from the owners of herds for assistance in testing the said herds as provided for in Article 5 of these Regulations; upon the issue of a certificate of attestation in respect of any herd the Ministry may subject to the observance and performance of the rules applicable thereto for the period aforesaid pay to the owner thereof a bonus under Article 14 in either of the alternative forms provided for in Articles 15 and 16 of the Scheme and also such compensation as may become payable under Article 17. All costs of official tests carried out under this Scheme shall be borne by the Ministry. This Scheme may be cited as the Tuberculosis (Attested Herds) Scheme, 1954.

*Definitions*

2. In this Scheme, unless the context otherwise requires, the following terms have the meanings herein assigned to them:—

“The Ministry” means the Ministry of Agriculture;

“Official Test” means a test with tuberculin carried out by a Veterinary Inspector of the Ministry;

“Assisted Test” means a test with tuberculin carried out in accordance with Articles 3 and 4 of this Scheme by a Veterinary Surgeon employed by the Ministry;

“Herd” means a herd of bovine animals;

“Attested Herd” means a herd in respect of which a Certificate of Attestation has been granted by the Ministry and which is on the Register of Attested Herds;

“Register of Attested Herds” means the Register of Attested Herds kept by the Ministry;

“Supervised Herd” means a herd which is undergoing a series of official or assisted tests in accordance with Articles 3 or 4 of the Scheme.

“Animal” means bovine animal;

“Approved Disinfectant” means a five per cent. solution of standard phenol or a disinfectant otherwise approved for the time being by the Ministry for the purposes of the Animals Disinfection (Northern Ireland) Order of 1927, Amendment Order, 1931.

### *Interpretation*

3. The Interpretation Act 1889 (a) as applied to Northern Ireland by the Interpretation Act (Northern Ireland) 1921 (b) shall apply to the interpretation of this Scheme in like manner as it applies to the interpretation of an Act of Parliament.

### *Herds eligible for Assisted Tests*

4.—(1) The owner of a herd who applies for assistance under the Scheme will be required:—

- (a) to satisfy the Ministry that the management of the herd and the conditions under which it is kept are suitable for the observance of the Rules applicable to attested herds which are specified in the First Schedule to the Scheme;
- (b) to produce evidence in the form of certificates signed by a Veterinary Surgeon that the incidence of tuberculosis in the herd has been reduced to the extent specified in Article 5(1) of the Scheme;
- (c) to give a written undertaking that he will, to the best of his ability, abide by and observe the said Rules and any amendment or addition thereto which may be made by the Ministry, and that pending a decision on his application, no cattle will be moved on to his premises without the Ministry's sanction.

(2) If the requirements specified above are satisfactorily met the first Assisted Test will be applied to all animals including calves in the herd not earlier than 60 days from the date of the test applied by the owner's Veterinary Surgeon referred to in Article 4(1)(b) of the Scheme.

### *Application for Certificate of Attestation—Supervised Herds*

5.—(1) If at a tuberculin test of a herd made by a Veterinary Surgeon the number of reactors in the herd does not exceed the number indicated in the following table:—

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(a) 52 & 53 Vict. c. 63.

(b) 12 Geo. 5 c. 4.

Number of Cattle in Herd	Number of Reactors found
10 or less	1
from 11 to 20 inclusive	2
"  21 " 30 "  "	3
"  31 " 40 "  "	4
"  41 " 50 "  "	5
for each 10 additional animals	1 additional reactor

and if the owner of the herd produces evidence that he has disposed of the reactors and undertakes to comply with the conditions prescribed in this Article, the Ministry will be prepared, on the application of the owner of the herd, to arrange for the carrying out of subsequent tests as specified in Article 6. Such tests will be known as "assisted tests" and the herd will be known as a "Supervised Herd". The following are the prescribed conditions:—

- (a) application for assistance under the terms of this Article must be made by the owner of the herd to the Ministry within 60 days after the test at which not more than the above-specified number of animals in the herd were found to be reactors; the application must be accompanied by a certificate from the Veterinary Surgeon as to the result of the said test, and also information showing how the reactors revealed at such test were disposed of;
- (b) after each "Assisted Test" the owner must immediately isolate all reactors, dispose of them as quickly as possible and disinfect the premises in the manner prescribed in Article 12;
- (c) the owner of the herd must, during the whole period from the date of approval by the Ministry of his application under this Article until the date of issue or refusal of a Certificate of Attestation, observe all Rules specified in the Second Schedule to the Scheme.

(2) If the owner of a supervised herd fails to carry out his undertaking to comply with the conditions prescribed in this Article his application will be refused.

(3) The Ministry will only approve the application if it is satisfied on enquiry that the management of the herd and the conditions in which it is kept are suitable for the proper observance of the Rules applicable to Attested Herds.

(4) Notwithstanding anything contained in this Scheme the Ministry may decline to accept and proceed upon any application received under this Scheme from an owner of any herd.

#### *Reactors Disclosed by Assisted Tests*

6. If more than 10 per cent. reactors are found at the first Assisted Test, no further tests will be applied unless the herd subsequently qualifies in accordance with the terms of Article 5.

If less than 10 per cent. reactors are found at the first assisted test, the following procedure will apply:—

- (a) The owner of the herd will be required to undertake to observe the rules specified in the Second Schedule appended hereto during the period following the first assisted tuberculin test, and the herd will be known as a "Supervised Herd". These rules will continue to apply until the date of issue or refusal of Certificate of Attestation.
- (b) The reactors must immediately after notification to the owner be isolated and disposed of by the owner as quickly as possible and the premises thereafter disinfected in the manner described in Article 12 of this Scheme.
- (c) The non-reactors must be submitted to a further assisted test, such retest to take place not earlier than 60 days from the date of completion of the disinfection of the premises.
- (d) If no reactor is revealed as a result of such retest, further tests will be carried out until all the animals in the herd have passed two tests at intervals of not less than 60 days between each test, when the herd will become eligible for an official test.
- (e) If any reactor is revealed as a result of the first retest the procedure described in sub-articles (b) and (c) of this Article will be repeated for a second, and if any reactor is still revealed, a third time, and if on either of such tests no reactor is revealed, the procedure described in sub-article (d) of this article above will be carried out.
- (f) If any reactor is revealed at the third retest referred to in the preceding sub-article the application for a Certificate of Attestation will be refused. Provided, however, that when after four assisted tests the official test is refused and the herd subsequently qualifies for an assisted test under the terms of Article 4 of this Scheme, only one assisted test will be made and if any reactor is revealed as a result of such test, the application for a Certificate of Attestation will be refused; but if no reactor is revealed the procedure as specified at sub-article (d) of this Article will be carried out.

#### *Official Test*

7. If the requirements specified in Article 6 of the Scheme are satisfactorily met, an official test will be carried out in the herd not earlier than 60 days from the date of the last of the two negative assisted tests. If no reactor is revealed in the official test, and other requirements of the Scheme are being met, a Certificate of Attestation will be issued in respect of the herd.

#### *Award of Certificate in the case of a new herd constituted by Animals from Attested Herds*

8. In the case of a new herd being constituted by animals transferred from Attested Herds, the Ministry will be prepared to consider the issue of a Certificate of Attestation in respect of the

new herd without a further official test. The date of validity of such a Certificate will be determined by the Ministry having regard to the circumstances of the case.

*Continuance in force of Certificate of Attestation*

9. A Certificate of Attestation will continue in force until it is surrendered by the owner or is revoked or cancelled by the Ministry.

*Cancellation of Certificate of Attestation*

10. A Certificate may be cancelled by the Ministry in writing at any time if, in the opinion of the Ministry, the owner of the herd has failed to observe any of the Rules for the time being in force under this Scheme or any of the conditions of a permit under such Rules or any requirement of the Ministry under this Scheme, and the herd in that event will be removed from the Register of Attested Herds; provided that in lieu of the cancellation of the Certificate under this Article, the whole or part of any bonus payable to the owner of the herd under Articles 14, 15 and 16 of the Scheme may be withheld for such period as may be determined by the Ministry.

*Tuberculin Tests*

11.—(1) CHARGES—Only official and assisted tests referred to in this Scheme will be carried out without charge to the herd owner.

(2) OFFICIAL TEST AT ANY TIME—The Ministry may at any time cause an official test to be made of all or any animals in an Attested Herd. If any reactor is found the procedure described in sub-articles (b) and (c) of Article 6 of the Scheme will be followed and, if reactors continue to be found, will be repeated a second, and if necessary, a third time. If reactors continue to be found at the fourth test the Certificate will be cancelled and the herd removed from the Register of Attested Herds.

(3) TESTING OF SWINE—To prevent the risk of infection from swine kept on the same premises as the Attested Herd, the Ministry may by notice in writing require the tuberculin testing of such swine by a Veterinary Surgeon at the owner's expense, and impose such limitation on the free movement of such swine within the premises as the Ministry may consider necessary. Any swine that react to the test must be disposed of as quickly as possible, and that part of the premises concerned shall be disinfected in the manner prescribed in Article 12 of the Scheme.

(4) No claim will be entertained by the Ministry in respect of any loss occasioned by the death, injury or illness, however caused, of an animal submitted to any tests carried out on behalf of the Ministry.

*Disinfection of Premises*

12. Where in this Scheme or in the Rules contained in the Schedules thereto the disinfection of premises is required to be carried out after the removal of cattle or swine reacting to the tuberculin test the method to be adopted shall be as follows:—

- (1) after reactors have been taken out of that part of the premises to be disinfected, and before removing manure, fittings or other materials therein, that part shall be freely sprinkled or saturated with an approved disinfectant;
- (2) manure shall then be removed and stacked remote from cattle and pigs, and shall not subsequently be scattered on pasture land;
- (3) after the removal of the manure all parts of the premises with which the cattle or their excretions and sputum have come in contact shall be thoroughly scraped, the scraping removed and these parts then scrubbed and washed thoroughly with a 4 per cent. solution of washing soda in hot water and finally sprayed with an approved disinfectant;
- (4) all utensils, or other articles, used for and about the cattle or swine shall be thoroughly cleansed and washed with a 4 per cent. solution of washing soda in hot water. The boots and hands of persons carrying out the disinfection shall be washed in an approved disinfectant.

#### *Register of Attested Herds*

13. A register of attested herds comprising particulars of herds in respect of which a Certificate of Attestation has been granted by the Ministry, will be kept by the Ministry and published from time to time.

#### *Payment of Bonus*

14.—(1) Subject to the observance by the owner of a herd of the Rules in the First Schedule the Ministry may during the period ending 31st August, 1966, pay to the owner of a herd which for the time being is entered in the Register of Attested Herds, a bonus in accordance with the terms of either Article 15 or 16 of this Scheme.

(2) The owner may elect in writing under which of the last mentioned articles he shall benefit and will be paid in that manner in the period during which payments are due; provided that the Ministry may treat any or all of the herds in the same ownership as one herd for the purposes of this article.

(3) Bonus shall be payable for a period of 6 years in respect of herds which are added to the Register of Attested Herds on or after the date of commencement of this Scheme. In the case of herds which have already received bonus payment under the Scheme of 1949 and are included in the Register of Attested Herds on or after the date of commencement of this Scheme bonus shall be resumed or continued as the case may be until such time as a total of 6 years' payments have been made. Resumption or continuance of payments in such cases will take place following the first official test after 11th September, 1954.

*Bonus on Cattle in Attested Herds*

15.—(1) Subject as hereinafter provided the bonus payable under this Article in respect of attested herds shall be 30 shillings in respect of each animal in the herd at the date when the official test for the purpose of determining whether the herd shall be added to the Register of Attested Herds is made followed by not more than five payments at the same rate at intervals of 12 months thereafter in respect of each animal then in the herd, provided that the herd is still entered in the Register of Attested Herds. The bonus shall not be payable in respect of any animal purchased or acquired for fattening purposes, except in cases where the animal has been purchased from an attested herd, or in respect of any animal which, at the time the bonus becomes payable, is in isolation in pursuance of the Rules contained in the First Schedule hereto, unless the animal is in isolation on account of its return to the herd from an agricultural show.

(2) Each payment of bonus under this paragraph shall be deemed to be made in respect of a period of 12 months commencing with the day on which the payment falls to be made.

*Bonus on Milk from Attested Herds*

16. The bonus payable under this Article shall be three halfpence in respect of each gallon of milk which is sold from the herd under the provisions of the Milk (Control and Maximum Prices) Order, Northern Ireland, 1951, or under any order amending same. The bonus shall be payable from the date on which the Certificate of Attestation is valid, except that, if the Certificate is not valid from the first day of a calendar month, the bonus shall be payable from the first day of the following month.

The bonus shall be paid at the end of each calendar month together with the monthly payment for milk supplied to a sampling centre and shall be paid in respect of the aggregate quantity of milk supplied during that month.

*Compensation for Reactors*

17.—(1) Where, after the completion of the bonus payments in accordance with the terms of either Articles 15 or 16 of this Scheme, a bovine animal in an Attested Herd has reacted to a tuberculin test, the Ministry may, by agreement with the owner, cause the animal to be slaughtered, and pay to the owner the market value of the animal subject to a maximum figure of £100, whereupon the carcase of such animal will become the property of the Ministry.

(2) The market value of a bovine animal means the price which might reasonably have been obtained from a purchaser in the open market who had no knowledge that it had been tested with tuberculin.

18. The Ministry reserves the right to regard any or all of the Attested Herds in the same ownership as one herd for the purposes of Articles 14, 15 and 16 of this Scheme.

*Period of Operation*

19. This Scheme shall come into operation on the 11th September, 1954. As from that date this Scheme shall apply to all herds which immediately before that date were Attested Herds or Supervised Herds for the purposes of the Tuberculosis (Attested Herds) Scheme dated 1st May, 1949.

*Revocation*

20. The Tuberculosis (Attested Herds) Scheme dated 1st May, 1949, shall, without prejudice to anything duly done thereunder, cease to have effect as from the commencement of this Scheme.

In witness whereof the Official Seal of the Ministry of Agriculture for Northern Ireland is hereunto affixed this tenth day of September, nineteen hundred and fifty-four.

(L.S.)

*W. C. Glover,*  
Assistant Secretary.

The Ministry of Finance hereby approves of the foregoing Scheme.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Ministry of Finance for Northern Ireland this 10th day of September, 1954, in the presence of

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*Thom McCrea,*  
Assistant Secretary.

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**FIRST SCHEDULE****Rules Required to be Observed in the Case of Attested Herds***Records*

1. The owner of an Attested Herd shall keep accurate records of—

- (a) all cattle comprising the Attested Herd on the premises specified in the Certificate stating breed, age, sex, and marking; and name of animal, if any;
- (b) all births and deaths of cattle on the premises including cattle slaughtered; and
- (c) all bovine animals moved on to or off the premises, including the addresses of the premises from or to which they were so moved, the name of the vendor or purchaser as the case may be, if available, and the date of movement.

*Marking*

2. Every animal in an Attested Herd shall be marked by the owner in a manner approved by the Ministry.



*Regulation of Movement of Cattle on to and from the premises of an Attested Herd*

3. The following movements of cattle on to or from the premises specified in the Certificate are prohibited except with a written permit obtainable from the Ministry. The general conditions which will be contained in all permits are set out in Rule 4 of this Schedule and the special conditions prescribed in certain cases are indicated in the respective sub-paragraph below. If at a tuberculin test any animal in an Attested Herd has reacted, a permit may be withheld at the discretion of the Ministry or may be granted subject to such conditions as may be specified in the permit.

(a) Movement

- (i) between one Attested Herd and another
- (ii) from an Attested Herd to a Supervised Herd.

In the above two cases the only conditions of the permit will be those specified in Rule 4.

(b) Movement to or from a place of sale where accommodation is reserved and approved by the Ministry for the exposure of cattle from Attested Herds. In this case the conditions of the permit will vary according to the circumstances of the case and may or may not require the isolation and official testing of animals after return to or entry into an Attested Herd.

(c) Movement to an Attested Herd from a Supervised Herd. In such cases a permit will be granted only if the animal when tested on the last occasion with tuberculin at the premises of origin did not react, or is a calf under 14 days old. The animal will normally be subjected to an official test after the movement has taken place, but not earlier than 60 days after the date of the last test of the animal, or in the case of a calf under 14 days old not later than 60 days after its arrival on the premises. The animal to be isolated until so tested except for such contact with other animals in the herd as may be necessary for breeding purposes only. If the animal does not react to this test it will be allowed to be added to the Attested Herd, but if it reacts it must forthwith be removed from the premises and the part of the premises occupied by it must be disinfected in the manner prescribed in Article 12 of the Scheme.

(d) Movement to or from an Agricultural Show. A permit for the movement of an animal from an Attested Herd to an agricultural show will be granted only in a case where special accommodation has been set apart at the show for animals from Attested Herds. Such a permit will be available for movement to one or more than one show at which special accommodation is provided as above indicated but any animal so moved will be re-admitted to the same or to another Attested Herd only on condition that the animal is submitted to an official

test as soon as practicable after a period of 60 days has elapsed since the date of return to or arrival in the Herd; if the animal reacts it must forthwith be removed from the premises and the part of the premises occupied by it must be disinfected in the manner prescribed in Article 12 of the Scheme. (N.B.— If an animal from an Attested Herd is housed at an agricultural show otherwise than in special accommodation as indicated above, a permit for its return or entry to an Attested Herd will be granted only on the conditions specified in sub-paragraph (e)(ii) of this Schedule.)

- (e) Movement to an Attested Herd from premises other than those specified in the preceding sub-paragraphs (a) to (d). In all such cases the following conditions will normally be included in the permit with the object of preventing the infection of tubercle-free cattle, viz:—

(i) a veterinary surgeon must certify that the animal was tested with tuberculin within 14 days prior to movement and did not react (in exceptional circumstances the Ministry will be prepared to waive this condition on application from the owner of the Attested Herd, but in that case a test of the animal must be made at the owner's expense within 7 days of the arrival of the animal at the isolation place, and the official test referred to below will be correspondingly delayed);

(ii) at the end of a period of 60 days after its arrival on the premises it will be subjected to an official test, the animal being kept in isolation in the meantime, except for such contact with other animals in the herd as may be necessary for breeding purposes only. If the animal does not react to the official test it may be added to the Attested Herd, but if it reacts it must forthwith be removed from the premises and the part of the premises occupied by it must be disinfected in the manner prescribed in Article 12 of the Scheme.

Note:—Condition (i) will not apply in the case of young calves for rearing unless they are more than a fortnight old.

- (f) Movement for breeding purposes. Applications will also be considered for facilities for the movement of animals for breeding purposes under such special conditions as may be specified between Attested Herds and Supervised Herds.

Note:—The effect of this Rule is that in no circumstances may cattle be moved on to the premises of an Attested Herd without a written permit from the Ministry. Movements of cattle from an Attested Herd not provided for in these Rules are not restricted by this Scheme.

*General Conditions to be included in all Permits  
for Movement of Cattle*

4. As indicated in the preceding Rule the following conditions will be included in all permits issued under these Rules authorising the movement of an animal, namely:—

- (a) during the movement the animal shall not be allowed to come into contact with any other cattle not being moved with a similar permit granted in accordance with these Rules, nor with any swine;
- (b) any vehicle in which the animal is conveyed shall be cleansed and disinfected in the following manner immediately before the animal is placed in it;
  - (i) in the case of a road vehicle—  
the floor, roof and sides of the inside of the vehicle, and all other parts thereof with which such animal or any fodder, litter or other matter may come into contact, shall be scraped and swept, and the scrapings and sweepings and all dung, sawdust, litter and other matter shall be effectively removed from contact with animals; the same parts of the vehicle shall then be thoroughly washed or scrubbed or scoured with water; and then be disinfected by being thoroughly coated or washed with an approved disinfectant;
  - (ii) in the case of a railway vehicle—  
the vehicle shall have been cleansed and disinfected in accordance with Article 24 of the Transit of Animals (N.I.) Order of 1927, since it was last used for the conveyance of animals, and in addition to such cleansing and disinfection it shall receive a further coating or washing of the floor, roof and sides of the inside with an approved disinfectant immediately before the animal is placed in it;
- (c) if it is found necessary to water the animal during the movement water must be supplied in a clean bucket direct from a tap and not from a water trough.

*Fences*

5. The fences dividing the premises specified in the Certificate of Attestation from adjoining land shall be maintained to the satisfaction of the Ministry in such a condition as to prevent the infection of the Attested Herd by cattle on the adjoining land.

*Use of Milk, etc., for feeding animals*

6. No milk or dairy by-product shall be brought on to the premises of an Attested Herd for feeding to bovine or other animals except direct from the premises of another Attested Herd unless such milk or dairy by-product has been converted into powder form or is boiled or pasteurised. For the purposes of this Rule "pasteurised" means retained at a temperature of not less than 145° and not more than 150° Fahrenheit for at least thirty minutes, or at a temperature of not less than 162° Fahrenheit for at least fifteen seconds.

*Consent of Ministry to unofficial tuberculin tests*

7. No animals in an Attested Herd shall be submitted to the tuberculin test without the consent of the Ministry which may be given under certain conditions.

*Vaccination*

8. No animals in the herd shall be vaccinated against tuberculosis during the period of validity of a Certificate of Attestation.

*Entry and Examination by Inspector*

9. The owner of an Attested Herd shall, while a Certificate granted under this Scheme in respect of the herd remains in force give all reasonable facilities for the entry of an Inspector of the Ministry into the premises for the purpose of an examination of the premises, and of the animals thereon, and of the records required to be kept or permits issued for the purposes of this Scheme, and for the testing of the animals. The owner shall furnish to the Inspector all such information as may reasonably be required by the Inspector for the purposes of the administration of the Scheme.

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**SECOND SCHEDULE**
**Rules Required to be Observed in the Case of Supervised Herds***Records*

1. The owner of a Supervised Herd shall keep accurate records of—

- (a) all cattle comprising the herd, stating breed, age, sex, and marking; and name of animal, if any;
- (b) all births and deaths of cattle in the herd including cattle slaughtered; and
- (c) all bovine animals moved on to or off the premises including the addresses of the premises from or to which they were so moved, the name of the vendor or purchaser as the case may be, if available, the date of movement and the purpose of such movement.

*Marking*

2. Every animal in a Supervised Herd shall be marked by the owner in a manner approved by the Ministry.

*Regulation of Movement of Cattle on to and from the premises of a Supervised Herd*

3.—(1) The movement of cattle on to the premises of a Supervised Herd from any other premises is prohibited unless the movement is authorised in each case by a written permit obtained from the Ministry containing such conditions as may be specified therein.

(2) The movement of cattle from the premises of a Supervised Herd to any of the following premises is prohibited unless a written permit is obtained from the Ministry, namely:—

- (a) the premises of an Attested Herd (the conditions will be those specified in Rule 3(c) of the First Schedule);
- (b) the premises of another Supervised Herd;
- (c) any premises from which the animal moved is to be returned to the Supervised Herd, e.g., if moved for breeding or show purposes.

Other movements of cattle from the premises of a Supervised Herd are not restricted by these Rules.

(3) Conditions to be attached to all permits—The following conditions will be included in all permits issued under these Rules authorising the movement of an animal, namely:—

- (a) during the movement the animal shall not be allowed to come into contact with any other cattle not being moved with a similar permit granted in accordance with these Rules, nor with any swine;
- (b) any vehicle in which the animal is conveyed shall be cleansed and disinfected in the following manner immediately before the animal is placed in it:
  - (i) in the case of a road vehicle—
 

the floor, roof and sides of the inside of the vehicle, and all other parts thereof with which such animal or any fodder, litter or other matter may come in contact, shall be scraped and swept, and the scraping and sweepings and all dung, sawdust, litter and other matter shall be effectively removed from contact with animals; the same parts of the vehicle shall then be thoroughly washed or scrubbed or scoured with water; and then be disinfected by being thoroughly coated or washed with an approved disinfectant;
  - (ii) in the case of a railway vehicle—
 

the vehicle shall have been cleansed and disinfected in accordance with Article 24 of the Transit of Animals (N.I.) Order of 1927, since it was last used for the conveyance of animals, and in addition to such cleansing and disinfection it shall receive a further coating or washing of the floor, roof and sides of the inside with an approved disinfectant immediately before the animal is placed in it;
- (c) if it is found necessary to water the animal during the movement, water must be supplied in a clean bucket direct from a tap and not from a water trough.

(4) Conditions of Movement to a Supervised Herd from an Attested Herd—In such cases the only conditions of the permit will be those specified in sub-paragraph (3) of this Rule.

(5) Conditions of movement to a Supervised Herd from another Supervised Herd. In these cases a permit will be granted only if the animal was tested with tuberculin and did not react at the last test on the premises of origin; or is a calf under 14 days old. In either case after arrival on the premises the animal shall be isolated until tested at the next test of the herd

except for such contact with other animals in the herd as may be necessary for breeding purposes. If the animal reacts it must forthwith be removed from the premises and the part of the premises occupied by it must be disinfected in the manner prescribed in Article 12 of the Scheme.

(6) Condition of movement for breeding or show purposes—Applications will be considered for facilities for the movement of animals under such special conditions as may be specified for breeding purposes between Supervised Herds and Attested Herds or for show purposes.

(7) Conditions of movement on to premises of a Supervised Herd from premises not specified in the preceding sub-paragraphs (4), (5) and (6)—the following conditions will normally be inserted in permits for the movement of cattle on to the premises of a Supervised Herd from any other premises not being those of an Attested Herd or a Supervised Herd;

(a) a veterinary surgeon must certify that the animal was tested with tuberculin within 14 days prior to movement and did not react (in exceptional circumstances the Ministry will be prepared to waive this condition on application from the owner of the Supervised Herd, but in that case a test of the animal will require to be made at the owner's expense within 7 days of the arrival of the animal at the isolation place, and the test referred to in (b) below will be correspondingly delayed);

(b) the animal shall be again tested with tuberculin by a veterinary surgeon on the occasion of the first test of the herd following the expiration of 60 days from its arrival on the premises, and until so tested it shall be isolated except for such contact with other animals in the herd as may be necessary for breeding purposes only; if the animal does not react to the test it may be added to the herd but if it reacts it must forthwith be removed from the premises and the part of the premises occupied by it must be disinfected in the manner prescribed in Article 12 of the Scheme.

Note:—Condition (a) will not apply in the case of young calves for rearing unless they are more than a fortnight old.

#### *Fences*

4. The fences dividing the premises from adjoining land shall be maintained to the satisfaction of the Ministry in such condition as to prevent the infection of the herd by cattle on the adjoining land.

#### *Use of Milk, etc., for feeding animals*

5. No milk or dairy by-product shall be brought on to the premises of a Supervised Herd for feeding to bovine or other animals except direct from the premises of an Attested Herd unless such milk or dairy by-product has been converted into powder form or is boiled or pasteurised. For the purposes of this Rule "pasteurised" means retained at a temperature of not less than 145° and not more than 150° Fahrenheit for at least thirty minutes or at a temperature of not less than 162° Fahrenheit for at least fifteen seconds.

*Consent of Ministry to unofficial tuberculin tests*

6. No animals in the herd shall be submitted to the tuberculin test without the consent of the Ministry.

*Vaccination*

7. No animals in the herd shall be vaccinated against tuberculosis.

*Entry and Examination by Inspector*

8. The owner of a Supervised Herd shall give all reasonable facilities for the entry of an Inspector of the Ministry into the premises for the purpose of an examination of the premises, and of the animals thereon, and of the records required to be kept or permits issued for the purposes of this Scheme. The owner shall furnish to the Inspector all such information as may reasonably be required by the Inspector for the purposes of the administration of the Scheme.

9. These Rules may be extended by the addition of other Rules or may be amended by the Ministry as may be deemed necessary or desirable. All such additions and amendments will be immediately notified by the Ministry to the owners of all Supervised Herds.

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**AGRICULTURAL MARKETING**


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**Marketing of Fruit**

RULES, DATED THE 16TH SEPTEMBER, 1954, MADE BY THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE UNDER SECTION 15 OF THE MARKETING OF FRUIT ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1931 (21 AND 22 GEO. 5. C.8).

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The Ministry of Agriculture in exercise of the powers conferred upon it by Section Fifteen of the Marketing of Fruit Act (Northern Ireland), 1931, and of every other power enabling it in that behalf, orders, and it is hereby ordered as follows:—

*Definitions*

1. In these Rules:—

- (1) the expression "Ministry" shall mean the Ministry of Agriculture;
- (2) the expression "authorised" shall mean authorised by the Ministry of Agriculture.

*Application*

2. These Rules shall apply to apples only.

*Licences*

3.—(1) Application for a licence shall be made in the form or to the effect stated in the First Schedule to these Rules.