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AGRICULTURE

Accredited Poultry Farms Scheme

SCHEME, DATED 12TH MARCH, 1959, MADE BY THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE UNDER SECTION 9 OF THE AGRICULTURE ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1949(a) AND SECTION 2 OF THE DISEASES OF ANIMALS ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1958(b).

The Ministry of Agriculture, by virtue of the powers conferred on it by sub-section (1) of section nine of the Agriculture Act (Northern Ireland), 1949, and sub-sections (1) and (3) of section two of the Diseases of Animals Act (Northern Ireland), 1958, and of every other power enabling it in that behalf, hereby with the approval of the Ministry of Finance makes the following Scheme:—

Short Title, Construction and Commencement

- 1. This Scheme-
- (a) may be cited as the Accredited Poultry Farms (Northern Ireland) (Amendment) Scheme, 1959;
- (b) shall come into operation on the 1st day of April, 1959, and
- (c) shall be construed as one with the Accredited Poultry Farms (Northern Ireland) Scheme, 1958(c) (hereinafter referred to as "the Principal Scheme").

Amendments of the Principal Scheme

2.—(1) For the provisions of the Principal Scheme referred to in the first column of Part I of the Schedule hereto there shall be substituted respectively the provisions set out in the second column of that Schedule.

(2) At the end of the Seventh Schedule to the Principal Scheme there shall be added, as the Eighth Schedule thereto, the provisions set out in Part II of the Schedule hereto.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Ministry of Agriculture for Northern Ireland this 12th March, nineteen hundred and fifty-nine, in the presence of

(L.S.)

W. A. V. Sanderson, Assistant Secretary.

The Ministry of Finance hereby approves the foregoing Scheme.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Ministry of Finance for Northern Ireland this 13th March, nineteen hundred and fifty-nine, in the presence of

(L.S.)

K. R. Shimeld,

Assistant Secretary.

(a) 1949. c. 2.

(b) 1958. c. 13.

(c) S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1958, No. 26.

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SCHEDULE

Part I

Amendments of Principal Scheme

Column One	Column Two
Provision of Principal Scheme	Provision substituted
Article 8 Paragraph (1)	"(1) (a) All eggs sold for hatching shall be stamped with a stamp supplied by the Ministry and the advertising, sale or distribution of hatching eggs or chicks shall not begin until the stamp is received. All advertisements shall include a reference to the number on the stamp.
	(b) The stamp shall be returned to the Ministry not later than 14th June, 1959.
	(c) The owner of an accredited farm shall not after 31st May, 1959, sell any hatching eggs, or day-old chicks, unless the Ministry grants special written permission for the advertising and sale of day-old chicks for rearing for table purposes on the conditions prescribed in the Eighth Schedule. Such permission will be withdrawn if any bird on the farm is found on blood test to be a reactor".
Article 8 Paragraph (3)	"(3) Each consignment of hatching eggs or of day-old chicks shall be accompanied by a dated delivery note, which shall show the number of eggs or of chicks in the consignment. This note shall be made out in duplicate, be signed by the owner of the farm or his representative, and, except in the case of chicks sold for rearing for table purposes under Article $3(1)(c)$, be stamped with the egg stamp. The duplicate of each delivery note shall be filed at the farm and be available for inspection by authorised officers. Supplies of this delivery note shall be issued by the Ministry with the egg stamp and record books".
Fifth Schedule Paragraph (1)(h)	"(h) all the eggs from birds mated for the production of first crosses shall be sold unless special permission has been obtained as indicated at (2) below or in the Eighth Schedule".

Part II

Addition to Principal Scheme

"EIGHTH SCHEDULE

Conditions upon which day-old chicks may be sold for table purposes

The owner of an accredited farm may be permitted to sell only day-old as hatched chicks for table purposes after 31st May, 1959, provided that:—

 (a) the incubator capacity is of at least 1,500 egg size and at least 200 hens were mated for the production of pure bred chicks at the beginning of the season;