3. No person shall use or cause or permit to be used any prohibited offal in the composition or preparation of any uncooked open meat product intended for sale or sold for human consumption.

Penalties

- 4. If any person contravenes or fails to comply with any of the provisions of these regulations he shall be guilty of an offence and shall be liable on summary conviction—
 - (a) to a fine not exceeding one hundred pounds or to imprisonment for a term not exceeding three months, or to both such fine and such imprisonment; and
 - (b) in the case of a continuing offence to a further fine not exceeding five pounds for each day during which the offence continues after conviction.

Legal Proceedings—Application of Act

- 5. In any prosecution for an offence under these regulations the relevant provisions of Sections 46, 48, 50 and 53 of the Act shall apply.
 - Sealed with the Official Seal of the Ministry of Health and Local Government for Northern Ireland this 27th day of October, nineteen hundred and sixty, in the presence of

(L.S.)

J. L. O. Andrews,

Minister of Health and Local Government.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the regulations but is intended to indicate their general purport.)

These regulations prohibit the use of certain offals in the composition or preparation of uncooked open meat products intended for sale for human consumption.

Similar regulations made under the Defence (Sale of Food) Regulations, 1943, lapsed in Northern Ireland when the Defence Regulations were repealed.

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NATIONAL INSURANCE

The National Insurance (Modification of Pension Schemes) Regulations (Northern Ireland), 1960, dated the twenty-eighth day of October, 1960, made by the Registrar of Friendly Societies for Northern Ireland under sub-section (4) of section 66 of the National Insurance Act (Northern Ireland), 1946, and section 14 of the National Insurance Act (Northern Ireland), 1959.

The Registrar of Friendly Societies for Northern Ireland, in exercise of the powers conferred upon him by sub-section (4) of section 66 of the National

Insurance Act (Northern Ireland), 1946(a), and section 14 of the National Insurance Act (Northern Ireland), 1959(b), and all other powers in that behalf enabling him hereby makes the following Regulations:—

1. In these Regulations—

- "the Act" means the National Insurance Act (Northern Ireland), 1959;
- "scheme" means a scheme for the provision of pensions or other benefits in relation to which the Ministry of Finance has not determined under sub-section (4) of section 66 of the National Insurance Act (Northern Ireland), 1946, that there is an appropriate Minister or department of the Government of Northern Ireland;
- "persons interested in a scheme" include the trustees and managers of the scheme, all persons contributing or liable to contribute thereto or beneficially interested therein, and any assurance company with which the benefits of the scheme are wholly or partly insured;
- "assurance company" has the same meaning as in the Assurance Companies Acts (Northern Ireland), 1909 to 1947(c);
- "Registrar" means the Registrar of Friendly Societies for Northern Ireland.
- 2. The Registrar is hereby designated for the purpose of sub-section (2) of section 14 of the Act as the authority to approve the manner in which a scheme may be modified.
- 3. Application by or on behalf of persons interested in a scheme may be made to the Registrar for a direction under Regulation 7 of these Regulations for the purpose of modifying the scheme in connection with the passing of the Act, or with the subsequent operation of any provision of the Act.
- **4.**—(1) Such an application shall be made in writing in duplicate and shall state:—
 - (a) the persons by whom or on whose behalf it is made;
 - (b) the proposed modifications of the scheme and the reasons therefor;
 - (c) if the instrument regulating the scheme provides a method whereby it may be modified the reasons why the proposed modifications cannot without serious difficulty be made by that method;
 - (d) whether and to what extent other persons interested in the scheme have had an opportunity to vote or been otherwise consulted on the proposed modifications, and the results of any such voting or consultation;
- (2) The application shall be accompanied, unless the Registrar otherwise directs, by two copies of—
 - (a) the instrument regulating the scheme;
 - (b) the last statement of accounts, balance sheet, valuation report and other periodical report (if any) relating to the scheme.
- 5. Unless the application is made by or on behalf of the trustees or managers of the scheme, the applicants shall forthwith send a copy of the application either to the trustees or to the managers of the scheme.

⁽a) 1946. c. 23. (c) 9 Edw. 7. c. 49; 14 & 15 Geo. 5. c. 20 (N.I.); 1947. c. 1.

⁽b) 1959. c. 21.

- 6. Before deciding whether to issue a direction the Registrar may invite any persons interested in the scheme to make representations with regard to the application, and may require the applicants to give notice of the application, in a form and manner to be approved by him, to other persons interested in the scheme or any of them for the purpose of inviting them to make representations to him in such manner and within such time as the notice may specify, or otherwise for the purpose of ascertaining their views on the application.
- 7. After considering any representations so made or views so ascertained the Registrar may issue a direction—
 - (1) modifying the scheme; or
- (2) authorising the trustees or managers of the scheme to modify it within such limits and subject to such conditions as the direction may specify; and any modifications so made shall have effect notwithstanding anything to the contrary which may at the time when the modification is made be contained in the instrument regulating the scheme.
- 8. These Regulations may be cited as the National Insurance (Modification of Pension Schemes) Regulations (Northern Ireland), 1960, and shall come into operation on the First day of November, nineteen hundred and sixty.

Dated this twenty-eighth day of October, 1960.

Joseph Edwards,
Registrar of Friendly Societies
for Northern Ireland.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Regulations, but is intended to indicate their general purport.)

These Regulations designate the Registrar of Friendly Societies for Northern Ireland as the authority to approve the manner in which certain pension schemes may be modified in connection with the passing of the National Insurance Act (Northern Ireland), 1959. They also lay down a procedure under which, on application by persons interested in the scheme, he may himself make the required modification or may authorise the trustees or managers of the scheme to make it. The schemes in question are all those in relation to which the Ministry of Finance has not determined that there is an appropriate Minister or department of the Government of Northern Ireland.