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an additional payment may be made to the growers of seed of any or all of these descriptions and grades. The rate of such additional payment for each description will be prescribed by subsequent Regulations.

Agents

22. The Ministry may appoint to act as its agents in purchasing ryegrass seed from the growers thereof during such period as the Ministry may think fit the persons or firms in the following categories:—

- (a) those persons or firms who on the 31st day of July, 1949, were carrying on in Northern Ireland the business of machine cleaning ryegrass seed, and
- (b) any other persons or firms who may make application to the Ministry for appointment as agents provided that no such appointment shall be made by the Ministry without prior consultation with the accredited representatives of the growers and of the persons or firms already engaged in the business of machine cleaning ryegrass seed.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

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

This Order prescribes the terms and conditions under which and the prices at which commercial ryegrass seed of the 1961 crop shall be purchased by the Ministry from the growers.

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DISEASES OF ANIMALS

Control of Dogs

ORDER, DATED 24TH JULY, 1961, MADE BY THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE UNDER SECTION 27 OF THE DISEASES OF ANIMALS ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1958(a).

The Ministry of Agriculture in exercise of the powers conferred on it by section twenty-seven of the Diseases of Animals Act (Northern Ireland), 1958, as amended by section three of the Dogs Act (Northern Ireland), 1960(b), and of every other power enabling it in that behalf, hereby makes the following Order:—

Citation and commencement

1. This Order, which may be cited as the Control of Dogs Order (Northern Ireland), 1961, shall come into operation on the 1st day of August, nineteen hundred and sixty-one.

Revocation

.2. The Control of Dogs Order (Northern Ireland), 1959(c), is hereby revoked.

(a) 1958. c. 13. (b) 1960. c. 6. (c) S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1959, No. 169.

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Measures for the Control of Dogs

3.—(1) A dog shall not be permitted to be in any place other than the lands and premises of the owner or person in charge of the dog unless it is wearing a collar with the name and address of the owner inscribed on the collar or on a plate or badge attached thereto; provided that this prohibition shall not refer to any pack of hounds, or to any dog while being used for sporting purposes, or for the capture or destruction of vermin, or for the driving or tending of cattle or sheep, or to any dog while being used for police purposes by any member of the Royal Ulster Constabulary or Special Constabulary.

(2) Every dog shall at all times during the period between sunset and sunrise be prevented from straying by being—

- (a) confined in a building, shed, yard or other enclosure from which it cannot escape; or
- (b) effectively secured by collar and chain; or
- (c) accompanied by and under the effectual control of the owner or other person in charge of the dog.

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4. In the event of a breach of this Order the owner or the person in charge of the dog shall each according to and in respect of his own acts be guilty of an offence against the Diseases of Animals Act (Northern Ireland), 1958.

Power to Seize Dogs

5. Any dog in respect of which an offence against article three is being committed may be seized and treated as a stray dog under the powers conferred by section three of the Dogs Act, 1906(a).

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Ministry of Agriculture for Northern Ireland this 24th day of July, nineteen hundred and sixty-one.

(L.S.)

J. C. Baird,

Assistant Secretary.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Order but is intended to indicate its general purport.)

Subject to certain exceptions, this Order requires the wearing of a collar, marked with the name and address of the owner, by dogs when outside the lands or premises of the owner or person in charge. With a view to the prevention of worrying of animals, it is further required that dogs are kept under effectual control between the hours of sunset and sunrise.

This Order revokes and replaces the Control of Dogs Order (Northern Ireland), 1959.

(a) 6 Edw. 7. c. 32.