

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Ministry of Finance for Northern Ireland this 28th day of March, nineteen hundred and sixty-two.

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Terence O'Neill,
Minister of Finance.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

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

These Regulations provide for payment to members of Special Care Management Committees of travelling and subsistence expenses at the same rates and subject to the same conditions as apply to members of Hospital Management Committees.

1962. No. 62

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DISEASES OF ANIMALS

Hay, Straw and Grass Meal

ORDER, DATED 28TH MARCH, 1962, MADE BY THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE UNDER SECTIONS 18 AND 23 OF THE DISEASES OF ANIMALS ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1958(a).

The Ministry of Agriculture in exercise of the powers conferred on it by sub-section (1) of Section 18 and sub-section (1) of Section 23 of the Diseases of Animals Act (Northern Ireland), 1958, and of every other power enabling it in that behalf hereby makes the following Order:—

Citation and commencement

1. This Order may be cited as the Importation of Hay, Straw and Grass Meal Order (Northern Ireland), 1962, and shall come into operation on the first day of May, 1962.

Revocation

2. The Importation of Hay and Straw Order (Northern Ireland), 1960(b), and the Landing of Plants (Northern Ireland) Order, 1926(c), are hereby revoked.

Interpretation

3. In this Order:—

“hay” means grass, clover, lucerne, sainfoin or any green cereal which has been dried either naturally or artificially;

“grass meal” means any product (other than hay) which is obtained from any grass, clover, lucerne, sainfoin or any green cereal by drying and processing into the form of meal, pellets or cubes.

(a) 1958. c. 13.

(b) S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1960, No. 197.

(c) S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1926, No. 69.

Prohibition on Importation

4.—(1) A person shall not bring or cause to be brought into Northern Ireland any hay, straw or grass meal except under and in accordance with the conditions of a licence issued by the Ministry or an officer duly authorised by the Ministry.

(2) A licence may be in respect of an individual consignment or a number of consignments or may cover consignments imported during such period of time as may be specified in the licence.

(3) The Ministry may revoke a licence at any time and may refuse to issue a licence to a person who has previously failed to comply with the provisions of this Order or the conditions of a licence.

Exemptions

5. The preceding article shall not apply to:—

- (a) hay, straw or grass meal originating in and brought direct from the Republic of Ireland;
- (b) grass meal brought direct from Great Britain, the Channel Islands or the Isle of Man;
- (c) goods or articles manufactured either wholly or partly from straw.

Opening of Containers

6. Where an inspector has reason to believe or suspects that any container or package being brought or having been brought into Northern Ireland contains any hay, straw or grass meal either alone or mixed with other materials or merchandise, he may open or cause to be opened such container or package in order to ascertain the contents.

Notices of Destruction or Exportation

7.—(1) A notice signed by an officer of the Ministry may require any person who has brought or caused to be brought or transported into Northern Ireland any hay, straw or grass meal in contravention of this Order to have, within forty-eight hours of the issue of such notice, such hay, straw or grass meal destroyed or exported.

(2) Until such notice has been complied with, the hay, straw or grass meal to which it relates shall not be permitted to come in contact with any animal or any other hay, straw or grass meal and shall not be moved to any other place without the written consent of an officer of the Ministry.

(3) Where any person fails to comply with the terms of such notice within the prescribed time the Ministry shall have power to destroy the hay, straw or grass meal to which the notice relates.

Offences

8. Any person who brings or causes to be brought into Northern Ireland any hay, straw or grass meal in contravention of the provisions of this Order or fails to comply with the conditions of a licence or any notice issued in accordance with this Order shall be guilty of an offence against the Diseases of Animals Act (Northern Ireland), 1958.

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J. C. Baird,
Assistant Secretary.