

SCHEDULE 1

THE LICENSING OF SLAUGHTERMEN

Appeals system

11.—(1) Where the Minister or the authorised veterinary surgeon (as the case may be)—

- (a) refuses to issue a certificate of competence;
- (b) refuses to grant a registered licence;
- (c) refuses to modify a registered licence;
- (d) refuses to grant a provisional licence;
- (e) suspends a registered licence;
- (f) revokes a provisional licence; or
- (g) revokes a registered licence,

he shall, as soon as reasonably practicable, give to the applicant or holder of the licence (as the case may be) a notice in writing of the reasons for the refusal, suspension or revocation (hereinafter referred to as “a notice”).

(2) Any person to whom a notice is given shall have a right to make written representations to the Minister or to the authorised veterinary surgeon and to be heard by an independent person appointed by the Minister.

(3) The notice shall inform the person to whom it is given—

- (a) of his right to make representations in writing;
- (b) of the manner in which and the time (not being less than 21 days from the giving of the notice) within which such representations may be made;
- (c) of his right to be heard; and
- (d) of the manner in which and the time (not being less than 21 days from the giving of the notice) within which he may apply for an opportunity to be heard.

(4) In the event of any person to whom the notice is given making any representations (whether orally or in writing) to the Minister or to the authorised veterinary surgeon (as the case may be), the Minister or the authorised veterinary surgeon shall reconsider his decision to refuse, suspend or revoke in the light of those representations.

(5) In the event of any person to whom the notice is given being heard by the independent person, the Minister or the authorised veterinary surgeon shall reconsider his decision to refuse, suspend or revoke in the light of the findings of the independent person.