

**Animals (Diseases and Importation)**

Cap. 253.

**ANIMALS (DISEASES) (SWINE FEVER)  
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Made by the Minister under section 12 of the Animals (Diseases and Importation) Act. Cap. 253.

**1.** These Regulations may be cited as the Animals (Diseases) (Swine Fever) Regulations, 1951.

**1A.** For the purposes of these regulations, "Inspector" includes any person authorised, whether generally or for the specific purpose, to assist the Senior Veterinary Officer in the carrying out of his various duties under the Act or under these regulations.

**2.** (1) Every person having in his possession or under his charge any swine affected with, or suspected to be affected with, swine fever, or the carcass of any swine so affected or suspected, shall with all practicable speed give notice of the animal being or having been so affected or suspected to the constable in charge of the nearest police station.

(2) Every veterinary surgeon who upon examining any swine or the carcass of any swine is of the opinion or suspects that such swine is or was, when it died or was slaughtered, affected with swine fever, shall with all practicable speed give notice of the affection or suspicion of affection to the constable in charge of the nearest police station.

(3) Every such constable upon receiving any such notice shall forthwith transmit the information to the Senior Veterinary Officer and to the Inspector.

**3.** (1) The Inspector, shall upon receipt of any information pursuant to paragraph (3) of regulation 2 forthwith cause a notice in the Form 1 in the Schedule to these regulations to be served upon the occupier of any premises whereon such animal is.

(2) The Inspector shall immediately after the service of the notice referred to in paragraph (1) proceed to the place to which such notice refers, and shall there make a full investigation of

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all the circumstances and shall make a report thereon to the Senior Veterinary Officer.

(3) The Inspector shall give directions in relation to the steps which should be taken in dealing with any animal affected with swine fever, including its destruction, and with any other animal, vehicle, utensil, implement, fodder, litter, dung or other thing (whether similar to the foregoing or not) within the infected place, and the occupier of every such infected place shall comply with such directions.

(4) A notice under paragraph (1) of this regulation shall remain in force until withdrawn by a withdrawal notice in the Form 2 in the Schedule to these regulations.

4. No swine, nor the carcass of any swine, nor any portion of such carcass, shall be moved out of or into, or from place to place within, any infected place or area except in accordance with the terms of a permit in writing given by the inspector.

5. All swine within an infected place or area shall be kept confined in a sty, pen or other enclosure.

6. Any swine straying into or out of an infected place or an infected area may, in the discretion of the Inspector or constable in charge of the nearest police station, be shot or otherwise destroyed.

7. (1) The carcass of any swine—

- (a) destroyed pursuant to regulations 3 (3) and 6; or
- (b) which died of swine fever; or
- (c) which died within an infected place or area,

shall be burnt or buried within six hours of the death of such swine in the infected place or area from or into which it strayed or in which it died by the owner or occupier of such infected place or area.

(2) Where the carcass of any such swine is buried, it shall be buried at a depth of not less than five feet below the surface of the ground.

8. No person shall exhume or dig up the carcass of any swine nor any portion thereof which is buried within an infected place

or area except in accordance with the terms of a permit in writing granted by the Inspector.

**9.** (1) No dung of any swine, nor any food, fodder, litter or utensils used in connection with any swine in an infected place or area shall be moved out of such infected area.

(2) Any such dung, food, fodder, litter or utensils shall be burnt or buried or otherwise treated or dealt with, or disposed of as the Inspector may in any particular case direct.

**10.** Every part of every sty, pen or other enclosure, including feeding troughs where any swine affected with, or suspected of being affected with, swine fever has been kept or isolated shall be cleansed and/or destroyed by burning as the Inspector may in any particular case direct.

**11.** (1) Any swine which, within a period of thirty days, has been in contact with any swine affected with swine fever shall be isolated and kept confined in a sty, pen or other enclosure for a period of not less than thirty days after the death or destruction of the last of such swine affected with swine fever.

(2) The Inspector may order that any swine within an infected place or area shall at the risk and expense of the owner be immunised against swine fever by vaccination or otherwise.

(3) All swine immunised pursuant to the provisions of paragraph (2) shall be isolated from other swine and kept confined for such period as may be specified.

**12.** All swine on separate premises within an infected place or area shall be isolated from swine on adjoining premises within or upon the boundary of such infected place or area.

**13.** No flesh of any swine butchered or slaughtered within an infected place or area shall be offered for sale or used for human consumption.

**14.** (1) The carcass of any swine which has within seven days immediately preceding the date of its slaughter been in contact with any other swine affected with or suspected of being

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affected with swine fever may be seized and destroyed by the Inspector.

(2) Where any such carcass is destroyed pursuant to the provisions of paragraph (1), the Government shall be liable to pay compensation therefor at the rate of two-thirds of the prevailing dead weight market price.

**15.** These regulations shall not apply to—

- (a) swine which originate outside of any infected place or area which are moved into or through any such place or area for slaughter within forty-eight hours of arrival at any public abattoir or other place authorised or licensed for the slaughter or butchering of animals;
- (b) swine kept or detained at any public abattoir or place authorised or licensed for the slaughter or butchering of animals:

Provided, however, that no such swine shall be removed therefrom except in accordance with the terms of a permit in writing granted by the Inspector; or

- (c) swine slaughtered or butchered for commercial purposes at any public abattoir or place authorised or licensed for the slaughter or butchering of animals.

**16.** Any person who contravenes or fails to comply with any provision of these regulations shall be guilty of an offence, and upon summary conviction before a magistrate shall be liable to a fine not exceeding fifty dollars or to imprisonment for any period not exceeding three months or to both such fine and such imprisonment.

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SCHEDULE  
FORM 1

Animals (Diseases) (Swine Fever) Regulations, 1951

(Regulation 3 (1))

*Notice Defining Infected Place*

To \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_  
I \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_  
being an Inspector appointed under the Animals (Diseases and Importation)  
Act, hereby give you notice as the occupier of the under-mentioned premises

that the said premises are hereby declared to be an infected place and to become subject to the provisions of the Animal (Diseases) (Swine Fever) Regulations, 1951.

Dated this                      day of                      19  
(Title).....

*Description of Infected Place*

Premises                                              Parish

FORM 2

Animals (Diseases) (Swine Fever) Regulations, 1951

(Regulation 3 (4))

*Withdrawal Notice*

To                                              of  
I                                              of  
being an Inspector appointed under the Animals (Diseases and Importation) Act, do hereby withdraw, as from the                      day of                      19                      , the notice relating to premises in your occupation at                      Cap. 253.  
dated the                      day of                      19                      signed by  
and served upon you on the                      day of                      ,  
19                      .  
Dated this                      day of                      19  
(Title).....

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