

ANIMAL DISEASES REGULATIONS (TESTING OF BIOLOGICAL RESIDUES), 5754-1994

Under the authority of Sections 22 and 23 of the *Animal Diseases Ordinance [New Version] 5745-1985*, with the approval of the Knesset Economic Committee under Section 48(a) of the *Basic Law: The Government* and Section 2(b) of the *Penal Law, 5737-1977*, and in the matter of Regulation 5 with approval of the Minister of Finance under Section 39B of the *Foundations of the Budget Law 5745-1985* and with the approval of the Knesset Finance Committee under Section 1(b) of the *Basic Law: National Economy*, I hereby enact the following Regulations:

1. Definitions:

In these Regulations -

"Biological residue" - a pesticide, organic substance, inorganic substance, heavy metal, hormone, antibiotic, anthelmintic, tranquiliser or any other substance, including derivatives, which leave traces in animals at the time of slaughter or thereafter in any one of their tissues or organs, as a result of treatment or contact of the animals with the said substance;

"Director" - the Director of Veterinary Services or a person so authorised for the purpose of these Regulations;

"Maximal level" - the maximal permitted level of biological residues in the carcass of an animal or in its products, as detailed in a list laid down by the Director, with the agreement of the Director of the Food Services in the Ministry of Health, available for public perusal in the regional offices of the Veterinary Services and in the Library of the Veterinary Institute at Bet-Dagan;

"Produce" - each of the following:

1. Eggs - up to their exit from the sorting plant;
2. Meat - up to its exit from the abattoir;
3. Milk - up to its entry into the dairy plant;
4. Fish - up to their exit from the fish farm;
5. Honey - up to its exit from the farm.

2. Marketing Prohibition:

The marketing of animal carcass or animal products will be permitted only if the said carcass or products do not contain biological residues exceeding the maximal level.

3. Detection of Biological Residues:

- (a) Biological residues in animals shall be detected by a separate laboratory test for each substance which is a biological residue.
- (b) The Director may require one or more tests of an animal, its carcass or products, to detect a biological residue therein.

4. Testing:

If the Director has, as empowered by Regulation 3, required the owner of an animal, its carcass or products, to bring them for testing, the owner shall bring them to the place, and at the time, specified by the Director.

5. Fee¹:

For each test conducted on an animal, or its carcass or products, as provided in Regulation 4, its owner shall pay a fee of NIS 329.

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¹ See updated fees on *Agricultural Fees Regulations*, which are updated regularly.