

THE BEES CONTROL ACT

REGULATIONS (under section 4)

THE BEES (IMPORTATION OF METAL CONTAINERS FOR HONEY) REGULATIONS, 1959

(Made by the Governor in Council on the 23rd day of January, 1959) L.N. 18/59

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Bees (Importation of Metal Containers for Honey) Regulations, 1959.

2. In these Regulations unless the context otherwise requires—
“competent authority” means any authority of the Government of the country of origin deemed by the Minister to be competent to issue a certificate for the purpose of these Regulations;

“formaldehyde” (otherwise known as “formalin 40%”) means a solution of formaldehyde gas in water containing not less than thirty-seven *per centum* by weight of formaldehyde gas.

3. No person shall import into the Island any metal container previously used for the storage of honey unless—

- (a) such container has been thoroughly cleansed and sterilized either with formaldehyde and boiling water mixed in the following proportions, that is to say, one part of formaldehyde to four parts of water, or with some other cleansing and sterilizing agent approved by the Minister; and
- (b) the shipment of which the container forms a part is accompanied by a certificate issued by a competent authority in the country of origin stating that the used containers in the shipment have been cleansed and sterilized in accordance with the provisions of this regulation.

4. Every shipment of containers previously used for the storage of honey shall, on arrival in the Island, be inspected by a person appointed by the Minister for the purpose, and it shall be lawful for such person where it appears to him—

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- (a) that paragraph (a) of regulation 3 has not been complied with, to cause such container to be cleansed and sterilized in accordance with the provisions of that paragraph;
- (b) that paragraph (b) of the said regulation has not been complied with, to cause all the containers in such shipment to be cleansed and sterilized as aforesaid,

and to recover from the importer as a civil debt the cost of such operation.