

**FOURTEENTH SCHEDULE***(Section 11)***MILK REGULATIONS****Short title.**

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Milk Regulations.

**Interpretation.**

2. In these Regulations—

“milk” means the milk of cows and goats intended for sale for human consumption or for use in the manufacture of products for sale for human consumption;

“adulterated milk” means milk with less than 3% of butter fat and less than 8.5% solids not fat.

**Registration.**

3. No person shall keep cows for the production of milk unless he or she is registered by the Local Authority as a cow-keeper.

**Licensing of Places in which Cows are Kept for the Sale of Milk.**

4. No person shall keep cows for the production of milk in any place unless such place is licensed by the Local Authority for the keeping of cows for the sale of milk.

**Licensing of Dairy person.**

5. No person may engage in the occupation of a dairy person unless he or she is licensed in that behalf by the Local Authority.

**Restrictions on issue of Licences to Dairy persons.**

6. The Local Authority shall not issue a licence to any person to engage in the occupation of a dairy person unless such person holds a certificate of good health from the Medical Officer of Health or from any other Medical Officer authorised by the Medical Officer of Health to grant such a certificate.

**Presentation of Health Certificate upon Inspection of Dairies.**

7. During the inspection of any dairy, the dairy person in charge thereof shall, at the request of the person inspecting the dairy, present to such person the health certificates of all persons employed at such dairy.

**Dairies.**

8. (1) Dairies shall, in the discretion of the Local Authority, be supplied with adequate running water and washing facilities and their floors shall be concreted.

(2) No dairy shall be situate less than twenty feet from any latrine or rubbish accumulation and shall be distinct and apart from any dwelling house on the same premises.

(3) No dairy shall, except with the permission of the Local Authority, be used for residential purposes.

(4) No articles other than those used in connection with a dairy shall, except with the permission of the Local Authority, be kept at a dairy.

(5) Dairy persons shall keep their dairies clean and free from manure accumulations.

#### **Precautions for Protecting Milk Against Infection or Contamination.**

**9.** (1) No milk shall be extracted from an animal by any person unless such person holds a certificate of good health from the Medical Officer of Health or from any other Medical Officer authorised by the Medical Officer of Health to grant such a certificate.

(2) Every person extracting milk from animals shall cleanse his or her hands before each separate milking of an individual animal and shall be attired in clean apparel.

(3) No person shall extract milk from any animal unless the flanks, legs, tail and udders of such animal are properly clean; the udders and tail of such animal are trimmed of undue growths of hair; and the tail of such animal is fastened to one of its hind legs.

(4) No person shall allow any calf to nose or suck a mother animal already prepared for milking either before or during the milking of such animal.

(5) No person shall extract milk from any animal unless, at the time of such extraction, such person and the animal are outside of any stable or pen enclosure and not less than twelve feet from any dusty place, manure accumulation or privy.

(6) A person extracting milk from any animal in an open place shall, in the event of the falling of rain whilst he or she is milking the animal, cease milking until the rain has ceased to fall.

(7) No person shall extract milk from any animal at a time less than two weeks before or one week after such animal has given birth to young.

(8) A person extracting milk from an animal shall waste on the ground the first two squirts from individual teats.

(9) Whilst extracting milk from animals no person shall apply to his or her hands any grease, milk or other substance for the purpose of ease in milking.

(10) Mechanical milkers shall not be used on any animal for the purpose of extracting milk therefrom unless such milkers are treated to chlorination or some other disinfecting process approved by the Local Authority.

(11) It shall be lawful for an Environmental Health Officer or other person authorised by the Local Authority to enter upon any dairy and to collect samples of milk therefrom in order to determine the quality of such milk and to ascertain whether or not such milk is adulterated.

(12) The Medical Officer of Health or the Local Authority may, at any time, stop the sale of any milk which, in the opinion of either or both of them, has been exposed to contamination.

#### **Cleanliness of Milk Vessels.**

**10.** (1) Pails used for conveying milk shall be of the hooded type with well fitting covers.

(2) Where milk is sold directly from a pail, such pail shall be fitted with a tap to draw off the milk contained therein.

(3) No person whilst conveying milk shall carry on his or her person any funnel or milk measure.

(4) After the expiration of three months from the date of these regulations no milk shall be transported for sale unless such milk is stored in a stopped bottle or in a pail of the type prescribed by paragraph (a) of this regulation.

(5) No pail which is used for transporting milk shall be used to hold or transport any water for the washing of any animal to be prepared for milking.

(6) All receptacles used for the collection and delivery of milk shall be thoroughly cleansed and sterilized daily by means of steam, boiling water or other method approved by the Local Authority.

#### **Cancellation of Licences.**

**11.** A licence granted under the provisions of these regulations may be cancelled by the Local Authority at any time when, in the opinion of the Local Authority, the holder of such licence is guilty of a breach of any of these regulations.

#### **Licences and Certificates to be Free of Charge.**

**12.** All licences and certificates issued or given under the provisions of these regulations shall be issued or given free of charge.

#### **Penalty.**

**13.** Any person who neglects, disobeys or fails to comply with the requirements of any of these regulations shall be liable, on summary conviction, to a fine not exceeding three hundred dollars.

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