

THE PLANT PROTECTION ORDINANCE
(CAP. 133)

RULES

Made under Section 3

THE PLANT PROTECTION (CONTROL OF PROSTEPHANUS TRUNCATUS
RULES, 1986

1. These Rules may be cited as the Plant Protection (Control of *Prostephanus truncatus*) Rules, 1986.

2. In these Rules—

“fumigated” or fumigation” means fumigated or fumigation in a manner which shall be recommended by an inspector;

“inspector” means a Produce Inspector or an Officer of the Ministry of Agriculture and Livestock Development authorized by the Ministry;

“treated with insecticide” or “treatment with insecticide” means treated with insecticide or treatment with insecticide in a manner which shall be recommended by an inspector.

3. When any article which is produced locally or imported into Tanzania is found or is reasonably suspected by an inspector to be infested with *Prostephanus truncatus*, the inspector shall forthwith so inform the owner of such article or any person having possession thereof and thereupon, as the case may be, such owner or person having possession shall forthwith cause such article to be fumigated or treated with insecticide:

Provided that if in the opinion of the Commissioner of Agriculture such fumigation or treatment with insecticide is impracticable or will not be a complete safeguard or the delay caused by such fumigation or treatment with insecticide would give rise to the risk of introduction or spread of *Prostephanus truncatus*, the Commissioner of Agriculture may authorise the immediate destruction of such article.

4. When any owner or person in possession of any article fails to cause such article to be fumigated or treated with insecticide such article with all reasonable dispatch, when informed by an inspector under the provision of rule 3 of these Rules that it is infested with *Prostephanus truncatus*, an inspector may cause such article to be fumigated or treated with insecticide and recover from such owner or person in possession the cost of such fumigation or treatment with insecticide.

5.—(1) When any article is reasonably suspected by an inspector of being or having been infested with *Prostephanus truncatus*, the inspector shall forthwith so inform the person in charge of any vessel, vehicle, aircraft, building or place which has been used for conveyance, transport or storage of such article and thereupon such person in charge shall cause such vessel, vehicle, aircraft, building or place to be fumigated

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(2) In paragraph (1) of this rule and in rules 6, 7 and 9 the words "person in charge" shall include the master and agent of any vessel, the captain and agent of any aircraft, the driver of any vehicle and the occupier and the owner of any building or space.

6. When any person in charge of any vessel, vehicle, air-craft, building or place fails to cause the same to be fumigated or treated with insecticide with all reasonable dispatch when required by an inspector under the provisions of paragraph (1) of rule 5 of these rules an inspector may cause such vessel, vehicle, aircraft, building or place to be fumigated or treated with insecticide and may recover from the person in charge of such vessel, vehicle, aircraft, building or place, the cost of such fumigation or treatment with insecticide.

7. Any owner or person in possession who fails to cause to be fumigated or treated with insecticide with all reasonable dispatch any article when informed by an inspector under the provisions of rule 3 of these rules, that is infested or suspected of being infested with *Prostephanus truncatus*, and any person in-charge of such vessel, vehicle, air-craft, building or place who fails to cause the same to be fumigated or treated with insecticide with all reasonable dispatch when so informed, by an inspector under provisions of paragraph (1) of rule 5 of these rules shall be guilty of an offence and shall be liable upon conviction to a fine not exceeding Shs. 10,000/-.

8.—(1) Any inspector may stop and search any vehicle which he suspects is being or has been used for the conveyance or transportation of any article infested with *Prostephanus truncatus*.

(2) Any inspector may for the purpose of paragraph (1) of this rule erect or place barriers in or across any road or street, or in any public place within the Republic.

(3) There shall be affixed to or prominently displayed adjacent to every such barrier a notice bearing in white letters not less than ten centimetres in height on a red background the words "KILIMO PEST CONTROL".

9. Any person in charge of a vehicle, who—

- (a) wilfully fails to obey any signal of an inspector requiring him to stop such vehicle before reaching any barrier erected or place in or across any road or street or in any public place under the provisions of paragraph (2) of rule 8 of these rules; or
- (b) having been directed by an inspector under the provisions of paragraph (1) of rule 5 to cause such vehicle to be fumigated or treated with insecticide drives or causes or permits such vehicle to be driven past any barrier before such fumigation, or treatment, as the case may be, has been carried out shall be guilty of an offence and shall be liable upon conviction to a fine not exceeding Shs. 10,000/-.

10.—(1) When an inspector finds or suspects presence of *Prostephanus truncatus* in a locality, such locality shall be declared by the Regional Agricultural Development Officer responsible for that locality to be

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(2) No person shall take into or out of the quarantine area cereal grains, dry cassava roots and used grain containers such as gunny bags without a written permission of an inspector.

11. When any field planted with maize is found or is reasonably suspected by an inspector to be infested with *Prostephanus truncatus* the inspector shall forthwith inform the owner of such field or any person having possession thereof and thereupon such owner or person as the case may be shall:—

- (a) cause to be destroyed by fire all parts of the maize plants after removal of the maize grain;
- (b) cause to be fumigated or treated with insecticide all the maize grain as shall be recommended by the inspector.

Dar es Salaam,

P. BOMANI,

15th January, 1986 *Minister of Agriculture and Livestock Development*

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ORDER

Under section 2

THE PLANT PROTECTION (DECLARATION OF PESTS) ORDER, 1983

1. This Order may be cited as the Plant Protection (Declaration of Pests) Order, 1983.

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2. The following insect is hereby declared to be a pest for the purpose of the Plant Protection Ordinance.

Prostephanus truncatus Horn, Order Coleoptera, family Bostrichidae.

3. The whole of Tanzania is hereby declared to be an infested area for the purpose of the said ordinance.

Dar es Salaam,
2nd June, 1983

J. B. MACHUNDA,
Minister for Agriculture