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*deemed to be made under section 3

1. This Order shall be cited as the Fowl Pest Order.

Citation and commencement.

2. In this Order-

Interpretation.

"carcase" means the carcase of any poultry or part thereof;

"disinfectant" means either a 4 per cent solution of Sodium Carbonate (washing soda) or such disinfectant as may be approved for the time being by the Chief Technical Officer (Agriculture) for the purposes of this Order;

"fowl pest" means any of the forms of that disease, including Newcastle disease and fowl plague;

"Veterinary Officer" means a Veterinary Officer of the Department of Agriculture.

3. (1) Every person having in his possession or under his Notice of charge any poultry or the carcase of any poultry which is affected or suspected of being affected with fowl pest shall, with all practicable speed, give notice of the fact to a constable of the police station nearest to the place wherein the poultry or carcase is.

- (2) A Veterinary Surgeon who examines any poultry or the carcase of any poultry, and suspects that the poultry or carcase is affected with fowl pest, shall, with all practicable speed, give notice of the suspicion to a constable of the police station nearest to the place wherein the poultry or carcase is.
- (3) A constable receiving any such notice shall immediately transmit the information by the most expeditious means to a Veterinary Officer.

^{*} This Order was made under section 3(2) of the Diseases of Animals (Poultry) Ordinance (now repealed) and continues in force by virtue of section 27 of this Act.

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Precautions to be adopted on premises on which disease is suspected.

- 4. (1) The occupier of premises on which there are any poultry or the carcases of any poultry, affected with or suspected of being affected with fowl pest shall forthwith—
 - (a) prevent the access of poultry, or of any person (other than the person attending the poultry) to the premises or part of the premises on which any diseased or suspected bird or carcase is or has been kept;
 - (b) detain on the premises all poultry thereon and the carcases of any poultry.
- (2) The restrictions imposed by this subclause shall remain in operation until they are withdrawn by a notice served on the occupier of the premises by a Veterinary Officer or until a notice according to the Form set out in the Schedule has been served on the occupier of the premises by a Veterinary Officer.

(3) Nothing in this subclause shall prohibit the burning or burying of the carcases on the premises.

Veterinary enquiry by Department of Agriculture.

Schedule.

- **5.** (1) A Veterinary Officer on receiving in any manner whatsoever information that fowl pest exists, or is suspected to exist, on any premises shall enquire as to the correctness of such information and examine any poultry or carcase of any poultry on such premises which the Veterinary Officer considers it desirable to examine for the purpose of the enquiry.
- (2) For the purposes of this subclause, the Veterinary Officer may enter on any part of the premises and the occupier of the premises and the persons in his employment shall render such reasonable assistance as may be required for all or any of the purposes of this subclause.

Diagnosis by Department of Agriculture. **6.** A certificate signed by a Veterinary Officer after enquiry shall, for the purposes of this Order, be conclusive evidence of the existence or otherwise of fowl pest.

Rules to be observed on an infected place. 7. (1) Whenever a Veterinary Officer has grounds for suspecting that fowl pest exists on any premises or has existed on any premises within a period of twenty-eight days previous thereto,

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he shall forthwith serve a notice, in the form set out in the schedule. Schedule or to the like effect, on the occupier of the premises, declaring the said premises, within the limits specified in the notice, to be an infected place for the purposes of this Order.

(2) On the service of such notice the premises therein shall become an infected place and shall be subject to the following Rules:

Rule 1

No live poultry shall be moved into or out of the infected place.

Rule 2

No carcase shall be moved out of the infected place except under a licence granted by a Veterinary Officer and in accordance with such conditions as may be specified therein.

Rule 3

No eggs intended for hatching shall be moved out of the infected place.

Rule 4

No foodstuffs, litter, droppings, utensils, food bag, crate, poultry appliance or other thing shall be removed out of the infected place except under a licence granted by a Veterinary Officer and in accordance with such conditions as to the disinfection or otherwise as may be specified therein.

Rule 5

All droppings, litter and waste food shall be thoroughly disinfected to the satisfaction of a Veterinary Officer, before being permitted to be removed from any building, house, shed, pen, yard or other place in which the affected or suspected poultry or carcase are or have recently been kept.

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Rule 6

No person, other than a Veterinary Officer or the person attending the poultry, shall enter or leave the infected place unless authorised by, and in accordance with, a written permit obtained from a Veterinary Officer.

Rule 7

Any person entering the infected place shall, before leaving, disinfect his hands and feet in a disinfectant.

Rule 8

Any person attending affected or suspected poultry shall not attend poultry not so affected or suspected unless authorised by and in accordance with a written permit obtained from a Veterinary Officer.

Rule 9

The occupier of any premises subject to these Rules shall, if so required by a Notice served on him by a Veterinary Officer, supply the disinfectant required to be used at his own expense, and if he fails to do so, it shall be lawful for the Chief Technical Officer (Agriculture) without prejudice to the recovery of any penalty for the infringement of this rule, to supply the disinfectant and to recover summarily as a civil debt from the occupier the expenses of so doing.

- (3) A Veterinary Officer may from time to time by a notice in writing served on the occupier of an infected place, direct that—
 - (a) the limits of the infected place shall be attended in the manner described in such Notice; or
 - (b) any of the rules prescribed by this subclause shall cease to apply to the infected place or shall be modified to the extent or in the manner specified in the Notice; or
 - (c) such additional rules as may be specified in such Notice shall apply to the infected place.

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- (4) A Notice served under this subclause shall continue in force until it is withdrawn by a further notice signed by a Veterinary Officer.
- 8. (1) Any premises or place, public or private, or any part Cleansing and thereof, on which there has been any poultry or carcase affected with or suspected of fowl pest, and any vehicle in which such poultry or carcase has been conveyed, and any utensil, appliance or other thing therein or used in connection therewith shall be cleansed and disinfected with a disinfectant by the occupier of the premises or place or by the owner or person for the time being in charge of the vehicle, as the case may be, in the manner prescribed by a notice in writing served upon the said occupier, owner or person, by a Veterinary Officer, and to the satisfaction of this officer.

disinfection

- (2) The Veterinary Officer may in the notice require the said occupier or the owner or person to cleanse and disinfect such premises, place or vehicle or such utensil, appliance or other thing at the expense of the said occupier, owner or person, as the case may be.
- (3) If the occupier of any premises or place or the owner or person in charge of any vehicle, utensil, appliance or other thing fails to comply with a notice served under this subclause it shall be lawful for the Chief Technical Officer (Agriculture) without prejudice to the recovery of any penalty for the infringement of this subclause, to cause such premises, vehicle, utensil or appliance, or other thing to be cleansed and disinfected, and to recover summarily as a civil debt from the said occupier, owner or person the expenses of so doing.
- 9. A Veterinary Officer shall with all practicable speed send Transmission of copies of any notice served by him under this Order to the Notice. constable in charge of the police station nearest the infected place to which the notice relates.

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Offences.

10. Any person committing, or aiding, abetting, counselling or procuring the commission of any breach of any of the provisions of this Order, or of any Rules required to be observed thereunder, or the requirements of any notice served or of the conditions of any licence or permit issued thereunder, is liable on summary conviction to the penalties provided by the Act.

Order 7.

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NOTICE DEFINING INFECTED PLACE

To
of ,
I, the undersigned, being a Veterinary Officer of the Ministry of Agriculture, hereby give you notice as the occupier of the undermentioned premises that, in accordance with the provisions of the Fowl Pest Order, the undermentioned premises are hereby declared to be an infected place for the purposes of the said Order, and that the said premises accordingly become subject to the Rules set out below. Any person infringing these Rules is liable to heavy penalties.
This notice remains in force until it is withdrawn by a subsequent notice served by a Veterinary Officer on the occupier of the infected place.
Dated this day of 20
(Signed)
Address
Description of infected place

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