

THE PLANT PROTECTION ORDINANCE, 1937.
(No. 11 OF 1937).

ORDER.

(Under section 9 (1) of the Ordinance).

REGULATION OF IMPORTATION OF PLANTS.

IN EXERCISE OF the powers conferred upon me by the above-mentioned Ordinance, I hereby make the following Order regulating the importation of plants into the Uganda Protectorate.

1. No plant or part of a plant shall be imported into the Protectorate except under the authority of a permit previously obtained from, and signed by, the Director of Agriculture or an officer of the Department of Agriculture authorised by the Director of Agriculture, and subject to the conditions stated in such permit. This restriction shall not apply to seeds except those included in the Schedule hereto.

2. All applications for permits shall state—

- (a) full name and address of the applicant;
- (b) the name and address of the person or firm from whom the plants or seeds are to be obtained;
- (c) the names and quantities of the plants or seeds to be obtained;
- (d) the name of the farm or estate on which the plants or seeds are to be planted and the district in which it is situated.

3. No plant shall be imported into the Protectorate except through one of the following ports or places of entry—

Kampala,
Port Bell,
Entebbe,
Mombasa.

4. All plants, seed and fruit, other than dried, canned or bottled fruits, imported into the Protectorate shall be examined by an Inspector.

5. The Inspector may—

- (a) direct, authorise or carry out the disinfection or treatment of any plant and of any article believed by him to be infected with a pest or disease or likely to infect any plant with a pest or disease;
- (b) direct, authorise, or carry out the immediate destruction of any imported plant or article which on inspection appears to be infected with any pest or disease where, in the opinion of an Inspector, disinfection or treatment is impracticable or will not be a complete safeguard, or the delay caused by disinfection or treatment would give rise to the risk of the introduction or spread of any pest or disease;
- (c) direct, authorise, or carry out the disinfection or fumigation of any vessel, vehicle or aircraft which in the opinion of the Inspector is harbouring any pest or disease, or any article likely to infest any plant with a pest or disease.

6. (a) Any package or parcel containing any plant or seed imported otherwise than by post, shall be delivered to an Inspector by the Commissioner of Customs;

(b) any package or parcel containing any plant or seed imported by post shall be delivered to an Inspector by the Postmaster-General;

(c) after examination and treatment as provided in sub-paragraphs (a) and (b) of paragraph 6 hereof the package or parcel shall, except where such package, parcel, plant or seed has been destroyed under the instructions of such Inspector be returned by such Inspector to the Commissioner of Customs or the Postmaster-General, as the case may be, for delivery to the addressee.

7. No compensation shall be payable in respect of any package, parcel, article, plant or seed destroyed or damaged in any treatment required to be carried out under this Order.

8. The Director of Agriculture may require imported plants to be detained in quarantine or in special nurseries or places approved by him, for such period as he may think fit.

9. The importation of all species of fruit trees and fruit grown in or consigned from Japan, China, Korea or Manchuria is prohibited.

10. No plant or part of any plant of the order Gramineae (except seeds) intended for use as fodder shall be imported into the Protectorate.

11. No living insects or invertebrate animals in any stage, known or likely to be injurious to agriculture or to infect any plant with any pest or disease, may be imported except by virtue of a permit previously obtained from and signed by the Director of Agriculture and under the conditions stated in such permit.

12. No plants, portions of plants or such seeds as are specified in the Schedule hereto may be introduced into the Protectorate for transit through the Protectorate except under the following conditions—

(a) the plants, portions of plants or seeds must be securely packed in cases, or in sound new bags of substantial sacking, with an overlap at the mouth and fastened to the satisfaction of an Inspector or of a Customs Officer;

(b) every case or bag containing such plants, portions of plants or seeds must be sealed and marked plainly to show the country of origin at the port or place of entry and no such case or bag shall thereafter be opened within the limits of the Protectorate;

(c) if any such case or bag shall become so damaged in the course of transit through the Protectorate as to render it possible that any plants, portions of plants or seeds may escape therefrom, such case or bag and any plants, portions of plants or seeds therein or therefrom may, at the discretion of an Inspector, be destroyed.

13. Legal Notices Nos. 84 and 85 of 1948 are hereby cancelled.

SCHEDULE.

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| 1. Coffee (except roasted beans). | 10. Maize. |
| 2. Cotton. | 11. Wheat. |
| 3. Tobacco. | 12. Cloves. |
| 4. Tea. | 13. Peach. |
| 5. Cacao. | 14. Barbary. |
| 6. Coconuts. | 15. Buckthorn. |
| 7. Groundnuts. | 16. Potatoes. |
| 8. Lucerne and Clover. | 17. Any other seeds in excess of 1 lb. by weight in any individual packet. |
| 9. Rubber. | |
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ENTEBBE,
28TH JUNE, 1949.
(S.M.P. D.275/1).

A. B. KILLICK,
Director of Agriculture.