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CHAPTER 211

POULTRY DISEASE REGULATIONS

(Section 11)

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Short title.
- POULTRY DISEASE REGULATIONS.**
2. (1) Every person Notification of disease.
- (a) having in his possession or under his charge any poultry affected with, or suspected to be affected with, disease, or the carcass of any poultry so affected or suspected, or
- (b) who suspects by reason of the appearance or behaviour of any poultry (the ownership of which cannot be immediately established) that such poultry is, or was at the time of its death, affected or suspected, of being affected with disease,

shall, within twenty-four hours, give notice of such poultry or such carcass being or having been so affected or suspected, to the constable in charge of the nearest police station or the nearest inspector.

(2) Every veterinary surgeon who, upon examining any poultry or the carcass of any poultry, is of opinion or suspects that such poultry is, or was when it died or was slaughtered, affected with disease, shall within twenty-four hours give notice of the affection or suspicion of affection to the nearest inspector or the police constable in charge of the nearest police station.

- (3) Every such constable or inspector upon the receipt of such notice shall-
- (a) forthwith transmit the information by telegram to the Chief Agricultural Officer;
 - (b) as soon as may be practicable thereafter confirm in writing to the Chief Agricultural Officer the transmission by telegram of such information; and
 - (c) inform the Medical Officer of Health.

Notification of
infected places.

3. (1) The Chief Agricultural Officer shall, upon receipt of any information pursuant to paragraph (3) of regulation 2 of these Regulations forthwith cause a notice in the Form A in the Schedule to these Regulations to be served upon the occupier of any premises whereupon such poultry is.

(2) The Chief Agricultural Officer shall immediately after the service of the notice referred to in paragraph (1) of this regulation cause an inspector to proceed to the place to which such notice refers, and there make a full investigation of all the circumstances and such inspector shall make a report thereon to the Chief Agricultural Officer.

(3) An inspector may give directions in relation to the steps which should be taken in dealing with any poultry affected with disease and with any other poultry, or carcasses of other poultry, eggs, vehicle, utensil, implement, fodder, litter, dung, droppings or other thing (whether similar to the foregoing or not) within the infected place and the occupier of every such infected place shall comply with such directions.

(4) A notice under paragraph (1) of this regulation shall remain in force until withdrawn by a Withdrawal Notice in the Form B in the Schedule to these Regulations.

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| 4. | No poultry nor the carcass of any poultry nor any portion of such carcass (except dressed carcasses for human consumption) shall be moved out of or into, or from place to place within any infected place or area except in accordance with the terms of a permit in writing given by an inspector. | Prohibition of movement of poultry. |
| 5. | Persons in charge of poultry within an infected place or an infected area shall cause such poultry to be confined in a coop, pen or other enclosure, unless an inspector in writing otherwise directs. | Confinement to infected place. |
| 6. | Persons in charge of poultry on separate premises within an infected place or infected area shall cause such poultry to be isolated from poultry on adjoining premises within or upon the boundary of the infected place or infected area, unless an inspector in writing otherwise directs. | Isolation of poultry on adjoining premises. |
| 7. | All poultry straying into or out of or straying within an infected place or infected area, and all poultry being moved into or out of or within an infected place or infected area in contravention of regulations 4, 5 and 6 of these Regulations, may in the discretion of an inspector or constable in charge of the nearest police station, be destroyed. | Straying poultry to be destroyed. |
| 8. | The carcasses of any poultry destroyed or shot in accordance with regulation 7 of these Regulations may in the discretion of an inspector or constable in charge of the nearest police station be burnt or buried. | Carcasses may be burnt or buried. |
| 9. | An inspector may order that any poultry within any infected place or infected area shall at the risk of the owner be immunized against any disease by vaccination or otherwise, and the cost of any such immunization shall be a charge against the General Revenue. | Vaccination and immunisation. |
| 10. | An inspector may order that - | Compensation for poultry destroyed. |
| | (a) any infected poultry in an infected place shall be destroyed without compensation to the owner of the said poultry; | |

- (b) all other poultry in an infected place which in his opinion have or may have had direct contact with infected birds shall be destroyed and compensation shall be paid from general revenue to the owner, equal to the full and current value of the poultry so destroyed, provided the sum does not exceed two dollars per head for fowls, ducks and guinea fowls and five dollars per head of turkeys and geese.

Valuation of poultry.

11. In the event of a dispute occurring between the owner and the inspector as to the value of the poultry destroyed and for which compensation shall be paid under regulation 10 (b) of these Regulations, a valuer shall be appointed by the Magistrate of the District in which the infected place shall wholly or mainly lie, and the valuation made by the valuer so appointed shall be final.

Cleansing of pens and coops.

12. Every part of any coop, pen or other enclosure where any poultry infected with, or suspected of being infected with, any disease has been kept or isolated shall be cleansed and treated in such manner as an inspector may in any particular case direct.

Inspection of vehicles.

13. (1) Any inspector or constable or any person authorised in writing by the Chief Agricultural Officer may stop and inspect any vehicle, either within an infected place or not, if he has reason to suspect that poultry or carcasses are being transported on the vehicle in contravention of regulation 4 of these Regulations.

(2) The driver of the vehicle shall, on request, give particulars of the consignors or consignees of any poultry or carcasses which are being so carried.

14. Any person who commits a breach of any of the provisions of these Regulations which is not made an offence under the provisions of the Animals (Diseases and Importation) Act, shall be liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding one hundred and fifty dollars or to imprisonment for a term not exceeding six months. Penalty.

SCHEDULE

FORM A

(Reg. 3 (1))

Notice Defining Infected Place

To _____ of _____
I, _____ of _____
being an Inspector appointed under the Animals (Diseases and Importation) Act, hereby give you notice as the occupier of the under-mentioned premises that the said premises are hereby declared to be an infected place and to become subject to the provisions of the Poultry Diseases Regulations.

Description of Infected Place

| Premises | District |
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Dated this _____ day of _____, 20____
(Title)

FORM B

(Reg. (4))

Withdrawal Notice

To _____ of _____
 I, _____ of _____
 being an Inspector appointed under the Animals (Diseases and Importation)
 Act, do hereby withdraw, as from the _____ day of _____ 20____, the notice
 relating to premises in your occupation at _____ dated the _____ d a y
 of _____, 20____, and served upon you on the _____ day of
 _____, 20____

Dated this _____ day of _____, 20____

(Title)
