

Island of  Guernsey

Ordinance of the States **XXIII**

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**The Bovine Semen and Artificial
Insemination Ordinance, 1957.**

THE STATES, in pursuance of their Resolution of the third day of July, nineteen hundred and fifty-seven, hereby order:—

1. (1) Subject to the succeeding provisions of this Ordinance, a person shall not import, or attempt to import, bovine semen into the Island.

(2) A person shall not import, attempt to import or cause to be imported, bovine semen into the Island of Guernsey from either of the Islands of Herm or Jethou except under the authority of a licence issued in that behalf by the Committee.

2. The Committee may import, or cause to be imported, bovine semen from any of the Islands of Alderney, Sark, Brecqhou, Herm or Jethou.

3. (1) Subject to the provisions of the next succeeding subsection a person shall not export, attempt to export or cause to be exported, bovine semen from the Island.

(2) The Committee may export, or cause to be exported, bovine semen from the Island:—

(a) for the purposes of the pathological examination and testing of that semen;

(b) to the Islands of Alderney, Sark and Brecqhou.

4. A person shall not inseminate artificially any bovine animal in the Island by means of imported bovine semen otherwise than by means of bovine semen imported by the Committee under the provisions of section two of this Ordinance, or by means of bovine semen imported under the authority of a licence issued under the provisions of subsection (2) of section one of this Ordinance, as the case may be.

5. (1) During the continuance in force of any order made under the provisions of section six of the Foot and Mouth Disease Ordinance, 1950, a person shall not inseminate artificially, or attempt to inseminate artificially, any bovine animal except under the authority of a licence issued in that behalf by the Committee.

(2) A licence shall not be issued by the Committee under the provisions of this section unless, in the opinion of the Committee, the future milk supply of the Island may be seriously prejudiced if the artificial insemination of bovine animals is not permitted.

6. The Committee in issuing any licence under the provisions of section one or section five of this Ordinance may attach to the issue of any such licence such

conditions as they may deem necessary or expedient and may vary or revoke such conditions and may revoke any such licence.

7. Any person who—

- (a) contravenes any of the provisions of this Ordinance or of any of the conditions of a licence issued hereunder; or
- (b) knowingly and wilfully aids, abets, counsels or procures another person to contravene any of the provisions of this Ordinance or to infringe any of the conditions of a licence issued hereunder; or
- (c) knowingly accepts delivery of a consignment of bovine semen imported in contravention of the provisions of this Ordinance;

shall be guilty of an offence and liable, on conviction, to a fine not exceeding five hundred pounds.

8. (1) The States Supervisor, any person authorised by him in that behalf and any police officer may, if he has reasonable cause to believe that any consignment of bovine semen has been imported into, or has been or appears to be intended to be exported from, the Island in contravention of any of the provisions of this Ordinance or of any of the provisions of a licence granted hereunder, seize that consignment and the States Supervisor may, in agreement with the President of the Committee, order the destruction or other disposal of any such consignment.

(2) The charges for, or in connection with, any action taken under this section shall be recoverable as a civil debt from the importer or exporter, as the case may be, of the consignment concerned.

9. The Ordinances set out in the Schedule to this Ordinance are hereby repealed.

10. (1) In this Ordinance, unless the context otherwise requires, the following expressions have the meanings hereby respectively assigned to them:—

“ the Committee ” means the States Committee for Agriculture and Fisheries;

“ consignment ” includes any part thereof;

“ importer ” and “ exporter ” includes any person who, whether as owner, consignor or consignee, agent or broker, is in possession of, or in any way entitled to the custody of, the consignment of bovine semen imported or exported, as the case may be;

“ the Island ” means the Islands of Guernsey, Herm and Jethou.

(2) References in this Ordinance to any other enactment shall, except where the context otherwise requires, be construed as references to that enactment as amended, repealed or replaced, extended or applied by or under any other enactment, including this Ordinance.

SCHEDULE

The Ordinance entitled “ The Importation and Export of Bovine Semen and Artificial Insemination by Means of Imported Bovine Semen (Prohibition) Ordinance, 1945 ”.

The Artificial Insemination of Bovine Animals (Prohibition) Ordinance, 1952.

The Export of Bovine Semen Ordinance, 1956.

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