

S.I. No. 328 of 1999.

ABATTOIRS ACT, 1988 (ABATTOIRS) (AMENDMENT) REGULATIONS, 1999.

I, JOE WALSH, Minister for Agriculture, Food and Rural Development in exercise of the powers conferred on me by sections 39 and 63 of the Abattoirs Act, 1988 (No. 8 of 1988) hereby make the following Regulations:

1. (a) These Regulations may be cited as the Abattoirs Act, 1988 (Abattoirs) (Amendment) Regulations, 1999.
- (b) The collective citation "the Abattoirs Act, 1988 (Abattoirs) Regulations, 1989 to 1999" shall include these Regulations.
- (c) The Abattoirs Act, 1988 (Abattoirs) Regulations, 1989 to 1999 shall be construed together as one.
2. These Regulations shall come into force on the 1st day of November, 1999.
3. The Abattoirs Act, 1988 (Abattoirs) Regulations, 1989 (S.I. No. 152 of 1989) are hereby amended by
 - (a) the substitution in Regulation 3(1) as follows
" "ear-tag" has the meaning assigned to it under the Abattoirs Act, 1988 (Veterinary Examination) (Amendment) Regulations, 1999 (S.I. No. 327 of 1999),"
 - "identity card" has the meaning assigned to it under the Abattoirs Act, 1988 (Veterinary Examination) (Amendment) Regulations, 1999 (S.I. No. 327 of 1999),"
 - (b) the substitution of Regulation 59(1) as follows
"59. (1) No cattle shall be accepted for slaughter by an abattoir unless the animal has affixed to its ear an ear-tag and is accompanied by an identity card in relation to the identification of the animal."

GIVEN under my Official Seal, this 20th day of October, 1999.

JOE WALSH,

Minister for Agriculture, Food and Rural Development

EXPLANATORY NOTE.

(This note is not part of the Instrument and does not purport to be a legal interpretation.)

These Regulations update the definitions of "ear-tag" and "identify card" and provide that all animals accepted for slaughter must have an ear-tag and identity card.