

**In the Name of Allah, the Gracious, the Merciful
THE LIVESTOCK ROUTE AND VETERINARY CONTROL
STATION ACT, 1974**

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(2/2/1974)

Title

1. This Act may be cited as the, **Livestock Routes and Veterinary Control Stations Act, 1974**".¹

Interpretation

2. In this Act, unless the context otherwise requires:-²
- “Animals”, means cattle, camels, sheep, goats and any other animals as may be specified by the regulations made under the provisions of this Act;
- “Veterinary Authorities”, mean the Under-Secretary of the Ministry of Animal and Fisheries Wealth, or whoever may deputize therefore or the Director of Animal Wealth in the state, or whoever deputize therefore;
- “Route”, mean the Livestock Routes and Veterinary Control Stations, established under the provisions of section 3;
- “Fodder Station”, means any area where in the veterinary authorities provide any sort of fodder specified for animals, which use such route or are situated within the scope thereof;
- “Veterinary Control Station”, means a veterinary hospital, veterinary dispensary whether stationary or mobile or veterinary dressing station which lie in such route or any other route used by animals;
- “Water Station”, means any water-bore (donkey) well, haffair, water reservoir or any other supervised by the veterinary authorities, or whoever may deputize therefore and specified for the route;
- “Regulations”, mean the regulations made under the provisions of this Act.
- “Minister”, Minister of Animal and Fisheries Wealth;

Establishment and Management of Route

¹ 1993 Act No.10 / 1974 Act No.40

² 1977 Act No.52 / 1981 Act No.76 / 1983 Act No.62

3. There shall be established routes to be known as the “Livestock regulations and shall be subordinate to the Under-Secretary of the Animal and Fisheries Wealth.³

Purposes of the Route

4. (1) The Route shall be used for the systematic passage of animals from the production areas to the local or external markets as a means to help in providing of meat in the local markets, or in preparing the same for export, abroad.⁴
(2) Animals transferred from the production to the consumption or export areas shall be subject to veterinary control, to ensure that they are free from diseases, and avoid the communication and spreading of such diseases, from one area to another.

Measures Necessary for using the Route

5. The veterinary authorities shall take the necessary and essential measures to implement the objects of section 4, and without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing they may take the following measures:-⁵
 - (a) prohibiting the passage of animals along the Route except according to the conditions and purposes of such Route and as may be prescribed by the regulations;
 - (b) prohibiting cultivation, cutting of trees, or setting fires within the scope of the Route, to such distances, as may be specified in the regulations;
 - (c) restricting the exclusive use of water stations established along Route to animals passing along it except in so far as connected with such business, as may be essential and necessary for the success of the objective of the Route and upon permission of the veterinary authorities;
 - (d) prohibiting use by animals of the Route, save those animals upon which veterinary procedure against diseases have been taken, and which bear a certificate validated by the veterinary authorities and a specific Government mark;
 - (e) specifying the term of stay of animals in any of the veterinary control stations, or fodder, or water station.

Animals prohibited to stay in Veterinary Control Stations

6. No person shall allow his animals, or any animals under his supervision to stay in any veterinary control stations or fodder and water stations for more than the period specified by the veterinary authorities.

Impoundment of Animals which do not

³ 1974 Act No.40 / 1993 Act No.10

⁴ 1993 Act No.10

⁵ 1974 Act No.40

Satisfy the Conditions

7. The veterinary authorities may prevent any animals not satisfying the conditions from using the Route, and may impound the same.

Power to make regulations

8. The Minister may make such regulations, as he may deem necessary for implementation of the provisions of this Act. Such regulations may provide for:-
 - (a) Organizing the movements of animals while passing on the Route;
 - (b) specification of diseases, types of sera with which animals are inoculated and the drugs given thereto and the card evidencing the same;
 - (c) specification of the procedure, of presenting the animals to the veterinary control stations

Penalties

9. (1) Whoever contravenes any measure or procedure taken by the veterinary authorities under the provisions of this Act, shall be punished, with imprisonment for a term not exceeding two years, or with fine, specified by the Court, or with both.⁶
(2) Any person, who contravenes the provisions of section 6 shall be punished, with fine, specified by the Court for every day on which he fails to convey the animals, after being ordered so to do. The veterinary authorities may convey such animals in such manner as they may specify and collect the expenses of conveyance through selling such part thereof, as such extent as may be necessary to cover such expenses, or collect such expenses directly from the owner of the same.⁷

(6) Act No. 10, 1993

(7)Ibid