

DISEASES OF STOCK (QUARANTINE AND COMPENSATION) REGULATIONS

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1. Citation

These Regulations may be cited as the Diseases of Stock (Quarantine and Compensation) Regulations and may only be altered after consultation with the Chief of the particular tribe concerned.

2. Compensation for cattle killed after breaking back

Where cattle among an infected or in-contact herd break back after the commencement of the journey to the lung-sickness quarantine camp and are destroyed and the numbers exceed five, the case will be judged on its merits by the veterinary officer in charge and such compensation as can justly be allowed shall be paid to the owner; but he shall have the right of appeal to the District Officer of the district, but where the number is five or less than five the owner shall only be entitled to the value of the hides should the cattle be destroyed.

3. Procedure if animals die on journey

(1) In future removals owners or their responsible representatives shall accompany their own cattle and shall be responsible for securing the hides of the animals which die en route and disposing of them together with the meat except in cases of anthrax where the hides and meat will be destroyed.

(2) In all future removals the Chief of the tribe will be responsible for warning all cattle owners on the route to be taken by the infected or in-contact animals to the lung-sickness quarantine camp, to take steps to prevent their cattle coming into contact with the infected or in-contact herds.

4. Compensation for clean cattle joining infected herds

(1) In cases where cattle from cattle posts en route to the lung-sickness quarantine camp join the infected herd through no fault of the owner or his servants, the owner will be paid full compensation in cash, but when the fault lies with the owner or his servants, only half of the full cash value of such cattle, as assessed by the Director or his appointed representative, will be paid.

(2) In such cases the owner has the right of appeal to the District Officer of the district.

5. Decisions as to compensation

(1) The decision in cases arising under regulation 4 will be made by the senior veterinary official accompanying the infected or in-contact cattle who shall issue as soon as possible a certificate to the owners of such animals giving details of numbers, descriptions, and value of cattle taken by him.

(2) The owner shall be entitled, if dissatisfied, to lodge an appeal to the District Officer of the district within three months.

6. Infected cattle joining clean herds

(1) In the case of an animal or animals breaking away from the infected or in-contact herd and joining clean cattle the animal or animals so breaking away shall be dealt with by the veterinary officer in charge as he thinks fit.

(2) The clean herd shall be isolated where it is until such time as it is certain that no disease has been carried to it.

(3) Should disease break out the herd will be dealt with in the ordinary manner, i.e. removed to the quarantine camp and the owners compensated as provided in regulation 8.

7. Ownership of cattle in quarantine camp

All animals driven under supervision to the quarantine camp shall become the property of the Government the moment they enter the first gate.

8. Payment for cattle

All owners will be paid in cash the amount for which the Government is able to sell such animals.

9. Valuation of cattle

(1) All cattle will be listed and valued immediately they enter the quarantine camp.

(2) Such valuation will be made in accordance with current market prices by an expert, appointed by the Government, in the presence of the District Officer of the district and the Chief or their duly appointed representatives.

10. Replacement of cattle

Replacement of cattle is to be effected within one month if appreciable financial loss would not, in the opinion of the Director, be incurred thereby.

11. Animals straying into quarantine camp

In cases of animals straying into the quarantine camp-

- (a) where no contact has been made with the infected or in-contact herds and no fault lies with the owners, the latter will be allowed to take them away;
- (b) where introduction is deliberate, such cattle will be retained and the owner may, on the recommendation of the Director, receive half compensation in cash;
- (c) where introduction is due to the fault of the Government servants, the owners shall receive full compensation in cash.

12. Investigations

(1) So soon as the facts come to his notice the official in charge of the quarantine camp shall take immediate steps to investigate carefully the circumstances surrounding the entry of any stray cattle into the lung-sickness quarantine camp.

(2) Such official shall immediately notify his senior veterinary officer and the Chief through the District Officer in order that the owner of such cattle may be located and informed of the decision of the veterinary officer as to whether it is regarded as a case of carelessness or not.

(3) Such owner shall have the right of appeal as set down in regulation 5.

13. Infected cattle from camp contacting with clean cattle

In cases where infected cattle break out of the lung-sickness quarantine camp or are taken out owing to lack of water, or for trucking purposes, and they come in contact with clean cattle, the case shall be dealt with under regulation 6.

14. Infected cattle outside lung-sickness quarantine camps

Where cattle as described in regulation 13 are joined by clean cattle owing to their being outside of the lung-sickness quarantine camp, the owner of such clean cattle shall, in the event of his losing his cattle, be fully compensated animal for animal.

15. Purchase of cattle in compensation

All animals taken over by the State will be sold and the proceeds of such sale shall be placed in a special fund controlled by the District Officer and the Chief, who will purchase

cattle for compensation purposes out of such fund.

16. Prohibition of importation of animal products from Zimbabwe and of vegetables

The introduction into Botswana from Zimbabwe of all animal products, including hides, skins, horns, hooves, wool, hair, feathers, milk, cream, blood, meat and manure, but excepting butter and cheese, is prohibited until further notice.

17. Prohibition of market of vegetable products from Zimbabwe

The introduction into Botswana from Zimbabwe of all vegetable products, including grass, grasshay, straw, lucerne hay, mealies, mealie-stalks, cobs, kaffir-corn and stalks, is prohibited except by special permission of the Minister.

18. Import of butter and cheese

Butter and cheese may be imported from Zimbabwe into and in transit through Botswana:

Provided that-

- (i) the milk or cream used for the manufacture of the butter has not been derived from herds within a radius of 40 km from the nearest foot-and-mouth infected area and that such milk or cream has been pasteurised;
- (ii) the butter has been kept entirely separate and distinct from butter manufactured for consumption in Zimbabwe;
- (iii) the milk used for the manufacture of the cheese has not been derived from any herd infected with foot-and-mouth disease or from any herd in the neighbourhood of an infected herd;
- (iv) each consignment is accompanied by a certificate issued by a Government veterinary officer of Zimbabwe to the effect that the above-mentioned conditions have been complied with.

19. Entry of railway cattle trucks

(1) Railway cattle trucks from Zimbabwe shall only be allowed to enter Botswana on the following conditions-

- (a) that the truck has been thoroughly cleansed of all overlying loose material or refuse of any description, particularly dung or packing material;
- (b) that the inside of the truck has been thoroughly washed or sprayed with a five per cent aqueous solution of kerol or a similar strength of a disinfectant to be approved by the Director and thereafter whitewashed;
- (c) that the cleansing and disinfection shall be performed upon each occasion the truck leaves any Zimbabwe point for the conveyance of goods within Botswana; and
- (d) that a declaration is affixed to the truck by an authority to be approved by the Director that conditions (a), (b) and (c) have been complied with.

(2) Any person who contravenes any provisions of these Regulations shall be guilty of an offence and shall be liable to the penalties provided in regulation 73 of the said Diseases of

Stock Regulations.

20. Prohibition on return of cream cans, etc.

The return of cream cans, cheese crates, egg boxes, hessian covering and packing from Zimbabwe to Botswana is prohibited except under special permit issued by the Minister or his authorized representative.