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**THE FOOT AND MOUTH DISEASE CONTROL  
REGULATIONS 1966**

**BERNARD FERGUSSON, Governor-General**

**ORDER IN COUNCIL**

At the Government House at Wellington this 10th day of August 1966

Present:

**HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL IN COUNCIL**

PURSUANT to section 21 of the Stock Act 1908, His Excellency the Governor-General, acting by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council, hereby makes the following regulations.

**REGULATIONS**

1. (1) These regulations may be cited as the Foot and Mouth Disease Control Regulations 1966.

(2) These regulations shall come into force on the day after the date of their notification in the *Gazette*.

2. Terms and expressions defined in the Stock Act 1908 shall, when used in these regulations, have the meanings so defined unless the context otherwise requires.

3. (1) If any registered veterinary surgeon has cause to believe or suspect that any animal is affected or infected with foot and mouth disease, or has died or was slaughtered while so affected on any land that was not at the date of the death or subsequently part of an infected place, he shall immediately—

(a) Give notice of his belief or suspicion (by telephone if practicable) to a local Inspector or to the Chief Inspector of the Department of Agriculture; and

(b) Direct every person who is on any land which the veterinary surgeon believes or suspects may be contaminated with foot and mouth disease not to leave that land unless otherwise advised until—

(i) He has washed and disinfected his hands and boots; and

(ii) He has disinfected his clothes if they have been in contact with the infection.

(2) Every direction given under paragraph (b) of subclause (1) of this regulation shall lapse at the expiration of seven days from the date on which it is given, unless the land to which it relates is declared an infected place within that period.

(3) If any person believes or suspects that any of his stock or any other animal may be affected or infected with foot and mouth disease, he shall immediately notify an Inspector; and, if he is the occupier of any land which he believes or suspects may be contaminated with foot and mouth disease, he shall not remove any animal, or allow any animal to be removed, from that land.

4. (1) No registered veterinary surgeon or Inspector shall enter any premises for the purpose of examining any animal for the presence of foot and mouth disease, unless he is suitably attired with boots and waterproof protective clothing capable of being disinfected.

(2) Where any registered veterinary surgeon or Inspector who has entered any premises has cause to believe or suspect that they may be contaminated with foot and mouth disease, he shall clean and disinfect his boots, his protective clothing, and his person, and take all other precautions against spreading the disease before he leaves the premises.

5. If an Inspector has cause to believe or suspect that foot and mouth disease exists, or has within the immediately preceding 60 days existed on any land, he shall (by notice given in accordance with section 12 (2) of the Stock Act 1908, as set out in section 3 of the Stock Amendment Act 1965) declare that land to be an infected place, and shall forthwith give notice of the declaration to the Chief Inspector and to the veterinarian of the Department of Agriculture who is in charge of the district in which the land is situated. Where an Inspector, by any such notice, declares any land to be an infected place, he shall cause an advice in form A in the Schedule hereto to be served on every person on whom a copy of the notice is served in accordance with paragraph (b) of the said section 12 (2). On the revocation of any such declaration, notice in form B in the Schedule hereto shall be served in accordance with section 12 (6) of the Stock Act 1908 (as set out in section 3 of the Stock Amendment Act 1965) on an occupier of each piece of land included in the infected place, if such an occupier is known.

6. (1) Except as provided in subclause (2) of this regulation, while any land remains an infected place because of any such declaration, the following provisions shall apply in connection therewith:

- (a) No person shall move any animal or cause or permit any animal to be moved out of or into the infected place, except under the written permit of an Inspector, and subject to such conditions as he may specify:
- (b) No person shall go into or out of the infected place, except under the written permit of an Inspector (in form C set out in the Schedule hereto) and subject to such conditions as he may specify:
- (c) Every person who is authorised by an Inspector to enter the infected place shall wear protective clothing as approved by the Inspector, and shall take such other precautions as the Inspector directs:

- (d) No person who is authorised to leave the infected place shall remove therefrom any footwear, clothing, or other chattel until it has been cleaned and disinfected or otherwise treated as an Inspector directs:
  - (e) No person shall remove, or cause or permit to be removed, any carcass, hide, wool, milk, egg, or other animal product from the infected place, except under the written permit of an Inspector; and an Inspector may order that all carcasses, hides, wool, milk, eggs, and other animal products that are or have been on the infected place shall be held and disposed of as he directs:
  - (f) No person shall remove, or cause or permit to be removed, any fodder, litter, crop, or manure from the infected place, except under the written permit (in form D set out in the Schedule hereto) of an Inspector and subject to such conditions as the Inspector may specify; and an Inspector may order that all fodder, litter, crops, and manure that are or have been on the infected place shall be held or disposed of as he directs:
  - (g) No person shall remove, or cause or permit to be removed, any vehicle, implement, sack, crate, or other container from the infected place, except under the written permit (in form D set out in the Schedule hereto) of an Inspector and subject to such conditions as the Inspector may specify:
  - (h) Every person who is on the infected place shall wear protective clothing and footwear when tending animals, and shall clean and disinfect his boots, hands, and clothing, and take such other precautions as any Inspector may direct before leaving the area containing the animals:
  - (i) Every occupier of any part of the infected place shall—
    - (i) Cause all stock on the land to be confined in buildings, yards, or fenced paddocks, and all entrances to the land to be closed and secured:
    - (ii) Cause all dogs, cats, and poultry on the land to be tied up or confined:
    - (iii) Prevent the drainage of contaminated material from escaping from the land:
  - (j) No person shall slaughter any animal on the infected place except when permitted by an Inspector and in such place and in such manner as the Inspector may direct.
- (2) An Inspector may, by the notice declaring any land to be an infected place or by public notice subsequently given, declare that all or any of the provisions specified in subclause (1) of this regulation shall not apply to that land or to any specified part thereof. Every notice to which this subclause applies shall have effect according to its tenor.
7. In connection with the control of foot and mouth disease, every person shall answer fully and to the best of his knowledge and belief every question asked him by an Inspector as to the movements of animals, persons, and things, as to any animal with which he may have come in contact, and as to any premises which he may have visited.
8. Where it comes to the knowledge of an Inspector that any public road or place to which the public has access has been contaminated by animals affected or infected with foot and mouth disease, the

Inspector shall cause the road or place to be cleaned by the removal of manure and litter, and disinfected by spraying with an approved disinfectant solution. All manure and litter that is so removed shall be disposed of as the Inspector directs.

9. Where an Inspector has declared any land to be an infected place under these regulations, no Inspector shall slaughter or cause to be slaughtered any animal that is or has been on the infected place until after he has consulted a registered veterinary surgeon. Where a veterinary surgeon is so consulted by an Inspector and (by a report in form E set out in the Schedule hereto) agrees that any such animal is affected or could be infected with foot and mouth disease, the Inspector shall cause all animals so affected and all animals that could be so infected to be valued and slaughtered without delay, and shall cause the carcasses to be disposed of by deep burial or in such other manner as he directs.

10. Where an Inspector suspects that any land, fixtures, or chattels have been contaminated directly or indirectly by any animal that is affected or infected with foot and mouth disease, he shall cause the land, fixtures, or chattels to be cleaned and disinfected or otherwise dealt with as the Inspector may require, and may give notice in form F set out in the Schedule hereto to any owner, occupier, or user of any such land, fixtures, or chattels forbidding the use thereof in each case until it has been cleaned and disinfected to the satisfaction of an Inspector.

11. Except as directed by an Inspector, no owner or operator of any vehicle that has been used to carry any animal that is affected or infected with foot and mouth disease, or to carry any chattel that has been in contact with any such animal, shall use the vehicle or cause or permit it to be used until it has been cleaned and disinfected to the satisfaction of an Inspector.

12. When the Chief Inspector is satisfied as to the existence of foot and mouth disease in any infected place, he shall by public notice declare a defined area around the infected place (and including the infected place) to be an infected area.

13. While any area remains an infected area because of any such declaration, the following provisions shall apply in connection therewith:

- (a) The Chief Inspector shall cause road blocks to be established on roads connecting with the infected area, and shall cause facilities for cleaning and disinfecting vehicles and the footwear of persons leaving the infected area to be set up at the road blocks:
- (b) Upon the Chief Inspector giving notice by radio or other effective means that he has established road blocks in connection with the infected area, no person shall go into or out of the infected area otherwise than through a road block or a checkpoint approved by an Inspector:
- (c) No person shall remove any animal, or cause or permit any animal to be removed, from the infected area:  
Provided that any dog, cat, or caged bird may be removed under a written licence of an Inspector:

- (d) No person shall trap or hunt or shoot, or attempt to trap or hunt or shoot deer, wild pigs, wild goats, wild birds, or any wild animals in the infected area, except under written licence of the Chief Inspector:
- (e) No person shall picnic or camp in any part of the infected area which an Inspector has by public notice declared to be a restricted area for camping and picnicking:
- (f) No person shall remove from the infected area any animal product, manure, straw, fodder, used sack or other container, or anything that is contaminated by soil or manure or by any animal product, otherwise than in accordance with a licence (in form G set out in the Schedule hereto) issued by an Inspector or in accordance with any instructions issued by the Chief Inspector:
- (g) Every person leaving the infected area shall stop when required to do so at any road block or checkpoint, and shall submit to the due examination of any chattels which he is taking out of the infected area, and shall disinfect his footwear as required by an Inspector:
- (h) The chattels of any person who is travelling non-stop through the infected area may be permitted to leave the area without inspection if they are covered by an intact seal affixed by an Inspector at the road block or checkpoint through which they are brought into the area:
- (i) In respect of passenger buses originating from or stopping at a place within the infected area, the last stopping place within the infected area may be made a checkpoint at which all passengers may be interrogated and their chattels inspected:
- (j) In respect of railway passenger trains leaving the infected area, the last station at which the train stops before leaving the area may be made a checkpoint at which all passengers who entrained in the infected area may be interrogated and their chattels inspected:
- (k) In the case of goods trains leaving the infected area, all freight uplifted from points within the area shall be subject to inspection by an Inspector, and no such freight shall be removed from the area except under licence (in form G set out in the Schedule hereto) of an Inspector:
- (l) No show, sale, or gathering of animals of any kind shall be held in the infected area:
- (m) No person shall move any animal, or cause or permit any animal to be moved, on foot, along or across any public road within the infected area, or along or across any place within that area to which the public have access, except under a licence (in form G set out in the Schedule hereto) issued by an Inspector or in accordance with instructions issued by the Chief Inspector:
- (n) No person shall move any animal, or cause or permit any animal to be moved, into the infected area, or from one place within the infected area to another place within that area, except under a licence issued by an Inspector:
- (o) Where any farm is partly within and partly outside the infected area, the whole of that farm shall be deemed to be within the infected area for the purposes of these regulations:

- (p) An Inspector may direct any owner of stock located within the infected area to muster and confine the stock in such a manner that they cannot stray and can be inspected. If after due inquiry the owner of any such stock cannot be found, an Inspector may cause them to be mustered for an inspection.

14. If there is an airport within an infected area which has been declared as such under these regulations, the Chief Inspector may, by public notice,—

- (a) Exclude the airport from the infected area; or  
(b) Exclude the application of all or any of the provisions of these regulations to the airport.

15. The provisions of regulation 13 hereof shall apply to all departures by sea from an infected area.

16. When the Chief Inspector believes or suspects that foot and mouth disease exists or may exist within 30 miles of a port or airport, he may require the Harbour Board, Airport Authority, or local authority having control of the port or airport to restrict all access to and use of the facilities provided for the public at the port or airport to bona fide travellers departing by sea or air from the port or airport.

17. Every person commits an offence and is liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding five hundred pounds who wilfully fails to comply with or wilfully acts in contravention of any provision of these regulations or of any order or direction given or condition imposed under these regulations.

18. Any licence or permit granted by an Inspector under these regulations may at any time be revoked by any Inspector.

19. The Foot and Mouth Disease Regulations 1956 are hereby consequentially revoked.

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## SCHEDULE

### FORMS

Reg. 5

Form A

### *The Stock Act 1908*

### *The Foot and Mouth Disease Control Regulations 1966*

#### ADVICE AS TO DECLARATION OF AN INFECTED PLACE

To [Name] of [Address]

Enclosed is a copy of a notice by which the land described therein is declared to be an infected place within the meaning of the Stock Act 1908. The provisions set out below apply to the land, and any person infringing those provisions is liable to heavy penalties.

Inspector under the Stock Act 1908.

*Provisions of Regulations Applicable to Infected Place*

SCHEDULE—continued

Form B

Reg. 5

*The Stock Act 1908*

*The Foot and Mouth Disease Control Regulations 1966*

NOTICE OF REVOCATION OF INFECTED PLACE DECLARATION

To [Name] of [Address]

You are hereby notified that the declaration of the land described below as an infected place has been revoked.

Inspector under the Stock Act 1908.

*Description of Land*

Form C

Reg. 6 (b)

*The Stock Act 1908*

*The Foot and Mouth Disease Control Regulations 1966*

PERMIT TO ENTER OR LEAVE AN INFECTED PLACE

Mr }  
Mrs } ..... of .....  
Miss }

is hereby permitted to ..... the infected place  
enter or leave

known as .....

.....  
for the purpose of .....  
and subject to his/her compliance with any directions issued by an  
Inspector.

Dated: ..... Signed by: .....  
An Inspector under the Stock Act 1908.

Form D

Reg. 6 (f)

*The Stock Act 1908*

*The Foot and Mouth Disease Control Regulations 1966*

PERMIT FOR REMOVAL OF CHATTELS

I, the undersigned, being an Inspector under the Stock Act 1908,  
hereby permit the removal from the infected place known as .....

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of the chattels described below, subject to the said chattels being cleaned  
and disinfected to the satisfaction of an Inspector.

*Description of Chattel*

Date: ..... Issued by: .....

I certify that the chattels described above were cleaned and disinfected  
to my satisfaction.

Signed: .....  
Inspector under the Stock Act 1908.

SCHEDULE—continued

Reg. 9

Form E

The Stock Act 1908

The Foot and Mouth Disease Control Regulations 1966

REPORT OF A REGISTERED VETERINARY SURGEON

I, the undersigned, being a Veterinarian registered in New Zealand under the Veterinary Surgeons Act 1956, hereby declare that I have examined

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on land described as .....

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and said to belong to .....

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and that I agree that there are reasonable grounds for suspecting that the animals are affected or could be infected with foot and mouth disease.

Date: ..... Signed: .....

Address: .....

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Reg. 10

Form F

The Stock Act 1908

The Foot and Mouth Disease Control Regulations 1966

CLEANING AND DISINFECTING ORDER

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Pursuant to the Foot and Mouth Disease Regulations 1966, the land (or fixtures or chattels) specified below is/are suspected of being contaminated and must not be used until cleaned and disinfected to the satisfaction of an Inspector.

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Dated: ..... Issued by: .....

Inspector under the Stock Act 1908.

I certify that the cleaning and disinfecting prescribed by this order have been performed under my direction and to my satisfaction.

Dated : ..... Signed by: .....

Inspector under the Stock Act 1908.



SCHEDULE—continued

Form G

Reg. 13 (f), (k), (m)

The Stock Act 1908

The Foot and Mouth Disease Control Regulations 1966

INFECTED AREA – MOVEMENT LICENCE

Name: ..... Date: .....

Address: .....

The licensee named above is hereby authorised to move the animals or goods described below as indicated, subject to any conditions specified below.

Description of Animal or Goods to be moved	Movement From	Movement To

Conditions

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Signed: .....

Inspector under the Stock Act 1908.

Place: .....

T. J. SHERRARD,  
Clerk of the Executive Council.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

*This note is not part of the regulations, but is intended to indicate their general effect.*

These regulations make provisions designed to facilitate the control and eradication of foot and mouth disease in the event of an outbreak of the disease in New Zealand.

Issued under the authority of the Regulations Act 1936.

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These regulations are administered in the Department of Agriculture.