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## THE MEAT REGULATIONS 1940, AMENDMENT NO. 13

COBHAM, Governor-General

### ORDER IN COUNCIL

At the Government House at Wellington this 30th day of May 1962

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL IN COUNCIL

PURSUANT to the Meat Act 1939, 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 Meat Regulations 1940, Amendment No. 13, and shall be read together with and deemed part of the Meat Regulations 1940\* (hereinafter referred to as the principal regulations).

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

2. (1) Regulation 10 of the principal regulations is hereby amended by revoking clause 10:2, and substituting the following clause:

“10:2. No person shall export or attempt to export, and no person shall sell or attempt to sell or offer for sale, whether for consumption in New Zealand or for export, the carcass of any baconer slaughtered and passed as aforesaid, unless the carcass has been graded and marked as required by this regulation.”

(2) Regulation 10 of the principal regulations is hereby further amended by revoking clause 10:4, and substituting the following clause:

“10:4. All carcasses of baconers graded under this regulation shall be graded as ‘No. 1 Prime Grade’, ‘No. 2 Prime Grade’, ‘Prime Grade’, or ‘Second Grade’.”

\*S.R. 1940/90

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| Amendment No. 1:  | S.R. 1941/193 (Revoked) |
| Amendment No. 2:  | S.R. 1946/172 (Revoked) |
| Amendment No. 3:  | S.R. 1948/157 (Revoked) |
| Amendment No. 4:  | S.R. 1949/18 (Revoked)  |
| Amendment No. 5:  | S.R. 1951/295 (Revoked) |
| Amendment No. 6:  | S.R. 1954/92            |
| Amendment No. 7:  | S.R. 1954/190 (Revoked) |
| Amendment No. 8:  | S.R. 1958/27            |
| Amendment No. 9:  | S.R. 1959/143           |
| Amendment No. 10: | S.R. 1959/184           |
| Amendment No. 11: | S.R. 1961/49            |
| Amendment No. 12: | S.R. 1961/132           |

(3) Regulation 10 of the principal regulations is hereby further amended by revoking clause 10:5, and substituting the following clause:

“10:5. The standards of the respective grades shall be as follows:

“(a) No. 1 PRIME GRADE, No. 2 PRIME GRADE, AND PRIME GRADE

*“No. 1 Prime Grade*

“(i) The carcass shall be that of a barrow or maiden sow weighing more than 110 lb but not more than 160 lb. The hams of the carcass shall be heavily muscled and the loin shall be lengthy. The shoulders shall be smooth and relatively light in weight. The flank shall be of uniform thickness and shall exhibit no excess fat. The backfat shall be of satisfactory thickness and of relative uniformity. The fat shall be firm, white, and free from taint, and the flank fat shall be free from seedy cut or other discoloration. The skin shall be smooth and free from any pronounced pigmentation or other blemish (except slight blemish) and shall be free from hair or bristles (except light patches of deep-rooted bristles being second growth hair). The flesh shall be fine-grained and bright in colour. The carcass of a barrow shall not exhibit any boar characteristics, and in the carcass of a maiden sow there shall be no mammary development.

*“No. 2 Prime Grade*

“(ii) The carcass shall be that of a barrow or maiden sow weighing more than 110 lb but not more than 160 lb. The hams of the carcass shall be fairly well muscled and may be slightly fat. The loin shall be of reasonable length. The shoulders shall not be more than moderately heavy. The flank may be slightly uneven, or rather thin, or wrinkled, but shall not be grossly fat. The backfat may be slightly uneven or slightly deficient. The fat shall be firm, free from taint, and white to light cream in colour. The flank fat may have traces of seedy cut. The skin may be rather coarse or slightly blemished and there may be some moderately heavy patches of deep-rooted bristles being second growth hair. The flesh shall be reasonably fine-grained and not too dull. The carcass of a barrow shall not exhibit any boar characteristics, and in the carcass of a maiden sow there shall be no mammary development.

*“Prime Grade*

“(iii) The carcass shall be that of a barrow or maiden sow weighing more than 160 lb but not more than 180 lb. The hams of the carcass shall be fairly well muscled and may be slightly fat. The loin shall be of reasonable length. The shoulders shall not be more than moderately heavy. The flank may be slightly uneven, or rather thin or wrinkled, but shall not be grossly fat. The backfat may be slightly uneven or slightly deficient. The fat shall be firm, free from taint, and white to light cream in colour. The flank fat may have traces of seedy cut. The skin may be rather coarse or slightly blemished and there may be some moderately heavy patches of deep-rooted bristles being second growth hair. The flesh shall be reasonably fine-grained and not too dull. The carcass of a barrow shall not exhibit any boar characteristics, and in the carcass of a maiden sow there shall be no mammary development.

“(iv) Notwithstanding the provisions of subparagraphs (i) and (ii) of this paragraph, a carcass affected by any minor lesion, injury, or defect which, in the opinion of the Inspector or Grader, renders it unfit

for export, shall be included in No. 2 Prime Grade for consumption within New Zealand if otherwise entitled to be included in Prime Grade No. 1, Prime Grade No. 2, or Prime Grade, and shall in that case be branded with the appropriate grade mark in accordance with clause 10:8 of this regulation.

“(v) The thickness of shoulder fat, and of loin fat, measured as hereinafter provided, shall not exceed the respective maximum set out (according to the weight of the carcass) in the respective column of the table hereinafter contained.

“(vi) For the purpose of the foregoing requirements, the thickness of shoulder fat shall be measured at right angles to the skin at a point level with the centre of the tip of the spinous process of the third rib vertebra and shall include skin thickness.

“(vii) For the purpose of the foregoing requirements, the thickness of loin fat shall be measured at right angles to the skin at a point level with the centre of the tip of the spinous process of the last rib vertebra and shall include skin thickness.

“(viii) Before any measurements are taken in accordance with the provisions of subparagraphs (vi) or (vii) of this paragraph, the carcass shall be backed down so as to expose the thickness of fat.

“(ix) The following is the table hereinbefore referred to:

| Cold Dressed Weight<br>of Carcass | Thickness of Backfat    |                  |                                       |                  |
|-----------------------------------|-------------------------|------------------|---------------------------------------|------------------|
|                                   | No. 1 Prime Grade       |                  | No. 2 Prime Grade,<br>and Prime Grade |                  |
|                                   | Shoulder,<br>Maximum    | Loin,<br>Maximum | Shoulder,<br>Maximum                  | Loin,<br>Maximum |
|                                   | (In Eighths of an Inch) |                  | (In Eighths of an Inch)               |                  |
| 111 lb to 120 lb .....            | 11                      | 6                | 13                                    | 8                |
| 121 lb to 180 lb .....            | 12                      | 7                | 14                                    | 9                |

#### “(b) SECOND GRADE

“The carcass shall be that of a barrow or maiden sow weighing more than 110 lb but not more than 180 lb. The carcass of a barrow shall not exhibit any pronounced boar characteristics, and in the carcass of a maiden sow there shall be no more than slight mammary development. Carcasses in this grade shall include any carcass which shows the following characteristics:

“(i) Soft, excessive, insufficient, or discoloured fat:

“(ii) Poor conformation, pronounced coarseness, or any other blemish or defect which, in the opinion of the Grader, renders it unsuitable for any of the Prime Grades.”

(4) Regulation 10 of the principal regulations is hereby further amended by inserting, in clause 10:7, after the words “For No. 2 Prime Grade, the words ‘No. 2 Prime’”: the words “For Prime Grade, the word ‘Prime’”.

(5) Regulation 10 of the principal regulations is hereby further amended by inserting, in clause 10:10, after the words “For No. 2 Prime Grade . . . Buff”, the words “For Prime Grade . . . Buff”.

3. The Meat Regulations 1940, Amendment No. 10, are hereby revoked.

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

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EXPLANATORY NOTE

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

The effect of this amendment is to—

- (a) Add a further grade of baconers, to be called Prime Grade, to the existing grades:
- (b) Replace the present grading standards prescribed for each grade and prescribe the grading standards for Prime Grades:
- (c) Extend the application of regulation 10 of the principal regulations to baconers intended for the local market. Previously the regulation applied only to baconers intended for export.

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These regulations are administered in the Department of Agriculture.