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**THE STOCK (INSECTICIDES AND OESTROGENS)
REGULATIONS 1961**

COBHAM, Governor-General

ORDER IN COUNCIL

At the Government House at Wellington this 30th day of August 1961

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL IN COUNCIL

PURSUANT to the Agriculture (Emergency Powers) Act 1934, 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 Stock (Insecticides and Oestrogens) Regulations 1961.

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

2. In these regulations, unless the context otherwise requires,—

“Director-General” means the Director-General of Agriculture:

“Insecticide” means any chemical used for the destruction or control of arthropod parasites or other insect pests:

“Minister” means the Minister of Agriculture:

“Oestrogen” means any substance, whether of natural or synthetic origin, possessing the biological activity of oestrus-producing hormones:

“Stock” means any cattle, sheep, or swine, of any age or sex.

3. (1) Subject to the provisions of this regulation, no person shall treat any stock with any insecticide or oestrogen, or in any way expose any stock to any insecticide, or cause or allow any stock to be treated with or exposed to any insecticide or oestrogen, or use or cause or allow to be used any insecticide in any slaughtering place, meat-packing house, or cannery.

(2) Notwithstanding the provisions of subclause (1) of this regulation, it shall be lawful, for such purposes and subject to such conditions as may be specified in the notice, for any person to use such insecticides or oestrogens as may from time to time be specified by notice in the *Gazette* by the Minister.

4. (1) Every person who has in his possession any insecticide or oestrogen—

- (a) Intended to be used for treating stock;
- (b) For sale for the purposes of the treatment of stock or for use in a slaughterhouse, meat-packing house, or cannery; or
- (c) Intended for use in a slaughterhouse, meat-packing house, or cannery,

the use of which is not permitted under subclause (2) of regulation 3 hereof, shall, within one month after a date fixed in that behalf by a notice in writing addressed to him by the Director-General or published in some newspaper circulating in the district in which that person lives, furnish a return on a form provided by the Department of Agriculture showing particulars of all such insecticides and oestrogens in his possession and all such other information as may be required by the notice.

(2) Every person to whom subclause (1) hereof applies having in his possession any insecticide or oestrogen in respect of which he is required to make a return under that subclause shall, on request by any person authorised in writing in that behalf by the Director-General, or in accordance with written directions by the Director-General, deliver the insecticide or oestrogen to the authorised person or in accordance with the written directions, as the case may be.

5. The Minister shall have full authority to make and carry out such arrangements, and give all such directions as he thinks proper, in respect of the taking possession of and destruction or other disposal of all insecticides and oestrogens in respect of which a return is required to be made under regulation 4 hereof.

6. (1) Where any insecticides or oestrogens are not delivered voluntarily under regulation 4 hereof, any officer of the Department of Agriculture authorised by the Minister to carry out any directions given by the Minister under regulation 5 of these regulations shall, on producing, if so required, a duly authenticated document showing his authority, have the right to enter at all reasonable hours on any land or other premises and there seize and destroy or otherwise dispose of, or cause to be destroyed or disposed of, all insecticides and oestrogens not delivered as aforesaid which are kept or stored thereon.

(2) If a Justice of the Peace is satisfied on oath by a person authorised as aforesaid that entry in exercise of the right conferred by this regulation has been refused, the Justice may, by warrant under his hand, authorise any person named in the warrant together with any constable to enter and search the premises, if necessary by force.

(3) Every warrant granted under this regulation shall continue in force until the purpose for which it was granted has been satisfied.

7. Every person commits an offence against these regulations who—
- (a) Without lawful excuse fails to comply in any respect with any of the provisions of these regulations:
 - (b) Without lawful excuse acts in contravention of these regulations or of any notice given by the Minister under regulation 3 thereof:
 - (c) Being a person required to submit a return under regulation 4 of these regulations, wilfully submits a false return:
 - (d) Wilfully obstructs any person exercising or attempting to exercise powers under regulation 6 of these regulations:
 - (e) Wilfully disobeys any direction given by the Minister under regulation 5 of these regulations.

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.

It has been discovered that certain insecticides tend to leave residues in the meat obtained from animals treated with the insecticides to an extent which may prejudice the sale of the meat.

These regulations prohibit the use of insecticides otherwise than on conditions prescribed by the Director-General by notice in the *Gazette*.

The regulations also require persons in possession of certain insecticides to furnish a return showing particulars of the insecticides in their possession and to deliver them to an authorised person.

If possession is not given voluntarily, power is given to seize the preparations.

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These regulations are administered in the Department of Agriculture.