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THE SLAUGHTER OF STOCK, GAME, AND POULTRY REGULATIONS 1969, AMENDMENT NO. 1

RICHARD WILD, Administrator of the Government

ORDER IN COUNCIL

At the Government House at Wellington this 10th day of October 1977

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE ADMINISTRATOR OF THE GOVERNMENT IN COUNCIL

PURSUANT to the Meat Act 1964, His Excellency the Administrator of the Government, acting by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council, hereby makes the following regulations.

REGULATIONS

1. Title and commencement—(1) These regulations may be cited as the Slaughter of Stock, Game, and Poultry Regulations 1969, Amendment No. 1, and shall be read together with and deemed part of the Slaughter of Stock, Game, and Poultry Regulations 1969* (hereinafter referred to as the principal regulations).

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

2. Interpretation—Regulation 2 of the principal regulations is hereby amended by omitting from the definition of the term "slaughtering place" the word "registered" in both places where it occurs.

3. Method of slaughter of cattle, horses, sheep, lambs, goats, and swine—(1) The principal regulations are hereby amended by revoking regulations 3 and 4, and substituting the following regulation:

"3. (1) Subject to subclause (3) of this regulation, no person shall in any slaughtering place slaughter any head of cattle (including bobby calves), horses, sheep, lambs, goats, or swine, unless and until it has been rendered insensible to pain by a method prescribed in subclause (2) of this regulation and will remain so until death supervenes from the operation of bleeding, which shall be carried out promptly and skilfully. "(2) For the purposes of subclause (1) of this regulation, the methods of inducing insensibility to pain shall be by means of—

"(a) A captive bolt type of stunning instrument operated by explosive charge or compressed air; or

"(b) An instrument which causes insensibility by the administration of an electric shock; or

"(c) The use of carbon dioxide gas in a suitably enclosed chamber.

"(3) At slaughtering places (other than export slaughterhouses and abattoirs) a suitable safe firearm with solid or frangible bullets which renders the animals specified in subclause (1) of this regulation instantly insensible to pain may be used as an alternative to the methods specified in subclause (2) of this regulation."

(2) The principal regulations are hereby further amended—

- (a) By omitting from regulation 5 the words "regulations 3 and 4", and substituting the words "regulation 3":
- (b) By omitting from regulation 6 the words "regulations 3, 4, and 5", and substituting the words "regulations 3 and 5".

4. Slaughter of game—Regulation 7 of the principal regulations is hereby amended by omitting the words "approved by the Director pursuant to the Game (Packing and Export) Regulations 1967", and substituting the words "licensed pursuant to the Game Regulations 1975".

P. G. MILLEN, Clerk of the Executive Council.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

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

Regulation 2 is consequential on the Meat Amendment Act 1976, which omits the provisions of the Meat Act 1964 as to registration of slaughtering places.

Regulation 3 substitutes new provisions for the former provisions as to the method of slaughter of cattle, horses, sheep, lambs, goats, and swine. The effect of the new provisions is that all stock killed in licensed or approved premises must be rendered insensible to pain before slaughter.

must be rendered insensible to pain before slaughter. Regulation 4 is consequential on the replacement of the Game (Packing and Export) Regulations 1967 by the Game Regulations 1975.

Issued under the authority of the Regulations Act 1936.

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These regulations are administered in the Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries.