EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Order, but is intended to indicate its general purport.)

This Order prohibits the importation into Great Britain and the keeping within Great Britain of all species of non-indigenous rabbits. The making of the Order has the effect of applying, in relation to those animals, the provisions of the Destructive Imported Animals Act, 1932. It does not affect the importation and keeping of the European rabbit or those varieties of it kept for commercial and domestic purposes.

DISEASES OF ANIMALS

1954 No. 699

The Atrophic Rhinitis Order, 1954

Made - - - - *21st May,* 1954

The Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries, by virtue and in exercise of the powers vested in him by Sections 1, 17, 20 and 84 of the Diseases of Animals Act, 1950(a), and of every other power enabling him in this behalf, hereby orders as follows:—

Citation

1. This Order may be cited as the Atrophic Rhinitis Order, 1954.

Interpretation

2.—(1) In this Order, unless the context otherwise requires:—

"local authority" means a local authority for the purposes of the Diseases of Animals Act, 1950;

"The Minister" and "The Ministry" mean respectively the Minister and the Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries;

"veterinary inspector" means a veterinary inspector appointed by the Minister.

(2) The Interpretation Act, 1889(b), shall apply to the interpretation of this Order as it applies to the interpretation of an Act of Parliament.

Extension of definition of "Disease"

3.—(1) For the purposes of the Diseases of Animals Act, 1950, the definition of the expression "disease" contained in paragraph (*a*) of subsection (3) of section 84 of the Diseases of Animals Act, 1950, is hereby extended so as to include the disease known as atrophic rhinitis, and that disease shall also be a disease to which section 17 of the aforesaid Act applies.

(2) In the Animals (Miscellaneous Provisions) Order of 1927(c) as amended by the Animals (Miscellaneous Provisions) Order of 1938(d) the expression "disease" shall include the disease known as atrophic rhinitis and that Order shall be read and have effect accordingly.

(a) 14 Geo. 6. c. 36. (b) 52 & 53 Vict. c. 63.
(c) S.R. & O. 1927/290 (Rev. II, p. 449: 1927, p. 78).
(d) S.R. & O. 1938/197 (Rev. II, p. 455: 1938 I, p. 325).

Detention and Isolation of Swine and Precautions to be Adopted to Prevent the Spread of Infection

4.—(1) A veterinary inspector may by notice served on the owner or person in charge of any swine which are affected with the disease known as atrophic rhinitis or which he suspects to be so affected or to have been in any way exposed to the infection of that disease, require the owner or person in charge to detain the swine on the premises specified in the notice and to keep the swine isolated, as far as practicable, from other swine and with a view to preventing the spread of infection to adopt such other precautions as may be specified in the notice.

(2) A veterinary inspector may, by subsequent notice in writing to the owner or person in charge of the swine direct that:—

(*a*) such additional precautions as may be specified in such subsequent notice shall be adopted; or

(*b*) any requirement specified in any notice served under this Article shall cease to apply or shall be modified to the extent or in the manner specified in such subsequent notice.

(3) A copy of any notice served by a veterinary inspector under this Article shall, with all practicable speed, be sent by him to the local authority.

5. No swine shall be permitted to enter any premises in respect of which a notice served under Article 4 of this Order is still in force except with a licence granted by a veterinary inspector and in accordance with such conditions as may be specified therein.

Cleansing and Disinfection

6.—(1) The occupier of any premises on which there are or have been any swine in respect of which any notice under Article 4 of this Order has been served shall if so required by notice in writing served by a veterinary inspector cleanse and disinfect in accordance with the provisions of the notice any premises in which the swine have been placed or kept, and any utensil, appliance or other thing used for or about the swine. A copy of any such notice served by a veterinary inspector shall with all practicable speed be sent by him to the local authority.

(2) A notice served under this Article may provide that the cleansing and disinfection shall be at the expense of the Minister, or at the expense of the occupier.

(3) If the occupier of any premises fails to cleanse and disinfect the premises, or any utensil, appliance or other thing, when required under this Article, it shall be lawful for the Minister without prejudice to the recovery of any penalty for the infringement of this Article to cause such premises or utensil, appliance or other thing to be cleansed and disinfected, and in any case in which a notice provides that cleansing and disinfection shall be at the expense of the occupier to recover summarily as a civil debt the expenses of such cleansing and disinfection from the occupier.

Local Authority to Enforce Order

7. The provisions of this Order, except where it is otherwise provided, shall be executed and enforced by the local authority.

In witness whereof the Official Seal of the Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries is hereunto affixed this twenty-first day of May, nineteen hundred and fifty-four.

(L.S.)

E. A. Hitchman,
Secretary.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Order, but is intended to indicate its general purport.)

This Order extends the definition of the expression "disease" for the purposes of the Diseases of Animals Act, 1950, to include the disease known as atrophic rhinitis and also applies to the disease section 17 of that Act under which the Minister may slaughter and pay compensation for animals affected with, suspected of, or exposed to the disease, the scales of compensation payable are determined by the Atrophic Rhinitis (Compensation) Order, 1954. The Order also provides for the detention and isolation of pigs affected, or suspected of being affected, with this disease, and for the cleansing and disinfection of premises and utensils used for such pigs.

1954 No. 700

The Atrophic Rhinitis (Compensation) Order, 1954

Made - - - -	*25th May*, 1954
Laid before Parliament	*27th May*, 1954
Coming into Operation	*28th May*, 1954

The Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries, in exercise of the powers vested in him by Section 17 of the Diseases of Animals Act, 1950(a), and of every power enabling him in that behalf, with the approval of the Treasury, hereby makes the following order :—

Citation and Commencement

1. This order which may be cited as the Atrophic Rhinitis (Compensation) Order, 1954, shall come into operation on 28th day of May, 1954.

Interpretation

2. The Interpretation Act, 1889(b) shall apply to the interpretation of this order as it applies to the interpretation of an Act of Parliament.

Compensation for animals slaughtered

3. Where the Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries has, in exercise of his powers under Section 17 of the Diseases of Animals Act, 1950 as applied to the disease known as Atrophic Rhinitis by the Atrophic Rhinitis Order, 1954(c), caused to be slaughtered any swine affected or suspected of being affected with that disease, or which have been exposed to the infection of that disease, the compensation payable by him for any animal slaughtered under that section as so applied shall be—

(*a*) where the animal slaughtered was affected with atrophic rhinitis, one half of the value of the animal immediately before it became so affected ;

(*b*) in every other case, the value of the animal immediately before it was slaughtered.

In witness whereof the Official Seal of the Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries is hereunto affixed this twenty-fourth day of May, nineteen hundred and fifty-four.

(L.S.)

Tom Dugdale,
Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries.

We approve this 25th day of May, 1954.

Edward Heath,
Martin Redmayne,
Two of the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury.

(a) 14 Geo. 6. c. 36. (b) 52 & 53 Vict. c. 63. (c) S.I. 1954/ 699, p. 123 above.