1954 No. 853

The Importation of Carcases and Animal Products Order, 1954

Made - - - -	23*rd June*, 1954
Coming into Operation	3*rd July*, 1954

The Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries, in exercise of the powers conferred upon him by Sections 1, 24, 33, 84 and 85 of the Diseases of Animals Act, 1950(**a**), and Section 11 of the Agriculture (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act, 1954(**b**), and of all other powers enabling him in that behalf hereby makes the following Order:—

Citation and Commencement

1. This Order which may be cited as the Importation of Carcases and Animal Products Order, 1954, shall come into operation on the 3rd day of July, 1954.

Interpretation

2. The Interpretation Act, 1889(**c**), 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. For the purposes of Sections 1, 24 and 33 and Part III of the Diseases of Animals Act, 1950, and this Order, the definition of the expression "disease" contained in paragraph (*a*) of sub-section (3) of Section 84 of the Diseases of Animals Act, 1950 is hereby extended to include the following diseases:—

East African swine fever, teschen disease, and vesicular exanthema.

Carcases and Animal Products to which this Order applies

4. This Order shall apply to the following carcases and animal products:—

the carcase or any part or portion of a carcase of any swine, or of any bovine animal sheep goat or any other ruminating animal, including any cooked, uncooked or processed meat or meat offal derived in whole or in part from any of the before-mentioned animals, any blood, dried blood, blood meal, bones, bone flour, bone meal, hair, hooves, hoof meal, horns, horn meal or any other part or product of such animal, whether separate or mixed with some other product, except any of the parts and products set out in the First Schedule to this Order.

(**a**) 14 Geo. 6. c. 36. (**b**) 2 & 3 Eliz. 2. c. 39. (**c**) 52 & 53 Vict. c. 63.

Prohibition of Importation of Carcases and Animal Products into Great Britain

5.—(1) Subject to the provisions of this Order, no person shall land in Great Britain any carcase or animal product to which this Order applies except in accordance with the conditions of a licence granted by the Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries—provided that nothing in this Order shall be deemed to prohibit or restrict the landing without a licence of—

(*a*) any carcase or animal product to which this Order applies from any country included in Part I of the Second Schedule to this Order, or

(*b*) any such animal product as is mentioned in Part II of the Second Schedule to this Order from any country therein specified in relation to that product.

(2) The Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries may attach to any licence issued under the powers conferred by this Article, any conditions he may think fit for the purpose of preventing the introduction or spread of disease.

Animal Products to be admitted conditionally from certain countries

6. Notwithstanding the provisions of the foregoing Article of this Order, no licence shall be required for the landing in Great Britain of any carcase or animal product referred to in the first column of the Third Schedule to this Order originating in any country or part of a country set out opposite to that product in the second column thereof, if the requirements relating to that product in respect of that country or that part of a country as set out in the third column of the aforesaid Schedule are fulfilled.

7. Certificates and declarations required under this Order shall be delivered to the proper Officers of Customs and Excise by the person in charge of any carcase or animal product on the landing thereof.

Power to require re-exportation of carcases or parts of carcases landed in contravention of this Order

8. Any Officer of the Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries may serve a Notice on the owner or person in charge of any thing which may have been landed in contravention of this Order, requiring the exportation of such thing.

Transitional Provisions

9. Until 15th September, 1954 any licence granted under any Order revoked by Article 10 of this Order, and in force immediately before the coming into operation of this Order, shall have effect as if granted under this Order.

Revocation

10. The Orders specified in the Fourth Schedule to this Order are hereby revoked.

In witness whereof the Official Seal of the Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries is hereunto affixed this 23rd day of June, nineteen hundred and fifty-four.

(L.S.) *Tom Dugdale,*
Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries.

FIRST SCHEDULE

PRODUCTS TO WHICH THE ORDER DOES NOT APPLY
(ADMITTED UNCONDITIONALLY FROM ALL COUNTRIES)

Bone-and-meat meal.
Bone charcoal.
Corned meat.
Hides and skins which have been dried or dry-salted.
Lard and rendered fats.
Leather.
Meat (including canned meat) which has been subjected to a process of cooking throughout its whole substance so as to render it unnecessary for it to be further cooked before being used for human consumption.
Meat meal.
Pigs' bristles (dressed, bunched and sorted).
Steamed bone flour.
Superphosphates.
Wool grease fatty acids.

SECOND SCHEDULE

PART I

COUNTRIES FROM WHICH IMPORTATION OF CARCASES AND ANIMAL PRODUCTS IS PERMITTED UNCONDITIONALLY

Australia.
Canada.
Channel Islands.
Falkland Islands.
Finland.
Iceland.
Isle of Man.
New Zealand.
Northern Ireland.
Norway.
Republic of Ireland.
Union of South Africa.

PART II

COUNTRIES FROM WHICH IMPORTATION OF CERTAIN ANIMAL PRODUCTS IS PERMITTED UNCONDITIONALLY

Country	Product
Any country which is not included in Part I of this Schedule and is outside the Continent of Europe.	Bones, bone flour, bone meal, hooves, hoof meal, horns, horn meal. Hides or skins which have been wet-salted.

THIRD SCHEDULE

CARCASES AND ANIMAL PRODUCTS TO BE ADMITTED CONDITIONALLY FROM CERTAIN COUNTRIES

Product	Country	Requirement
Any carcase or any animal product to which this Order applies.	Southern Rhodesia (excluding the native districts of Nuanetsi, Chibi, Victoria, Gutu, Ndanga, Bikita, Buhera, Chipinga and Melsetter).	Each consignment to be accompanied by a certificate signed by a duly authorised Officer of the Government of Southern Rhodesia that the product originated in the part of Southern Rhodesia specified in the second column of this Schedule.

Product	Country	Requirement
Dry sausage (salami).	Belgium, Cyprus, Denmark, France, Holland, Italy, Luxembourg, Portugal, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Western Germany.	Each consignment to be accompanied by a declaration naming the country of origin and stating that the consignment contains no meat or other animal product imported from any other country.
Fell-mongered goat hair and fell-mongered cow hair.	Any country not included in Part I of the Second Schedule to this Order.	Each consignment to be accompanied by a declaration (endorsed by an Officer duly authorised by the Government of the country of origin) stating that the hair has been pulled from hides and skins which have been treated with the lime process or by the chemical process.
Fresh or refrigerated meat (including edible offal).	Colombia, Denmark, Holland, Sweden, Switzerland.	Each consignment to be accompanied by a certificate signed by a duly authorised Officer of the Government of the country of origin certifying that the under-mentioned safeguards have been observed. *Safeguards* 1. Animals for slaughter for export shall be slaughtered only at abattoirs approved for the purpose by the Government of the country of origin. Such abattoirs shall not be used for the purpose of slaughtering for export to Great Britain if situated within 20 kilometres of a farm or premises infected with foot-and-mouth disease unless separated from such farm or premises by the sea or by tidal salt waters. 2. Animals for slaughter for export to Great Britain shall be slaughtered exclusively on certain days on which all animals (including sheep and pigs) in the slaughterhouse will have complied with the conditions of paragraphs 3 and 4. 3. All animals shall be inspected before and after slaughter by veterinary surgeons approved by the Government of the country of origin, and shall be certified as being free from foot-and-mouth disease.

Product	Country	Requirement
Fresh or refrigerated meat (including edible offal)—*cont.*	Colombia, etc.—*cont.*	4. No animals to be slaughtered for export to Great Britain shall be drawn from a farm or premises situated within 20 kilometres of a farm or premises infected with foot-and-mouth disease unless separated from such farm or premises by the sea or by tidal salt waters. 5. If foot-and-mouth disease is found in an abattoir approved for the slaughter of animals for export to Great Britain, the affected animal and those which have been in contact with it, shall be disposed of otherwise than by export to Great Britain, and the premises shall be thoroughly disinfected before slaughtering for export to Great Britain is resumed. 6. Meat for export to Great Britain shall be moved direct to a port for immediate shipment or stored in accommodation specially set aside and used exclusively for such meat.
Fully cured bacon and ham.	Belgium, Cyprus, Denmark, France, Holland, Italy, Luxembourg, Portugal, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Western Germany, Poland excluding the area within sixty kilometres of the Czechoslovakian frontier.	Each consignment to be accompanied by a certificate signed by a duly authorised Officer of the Government of the country in which the bacon or ham has been cured describing fully the process of curing to which it has been subjected which shall be one of the following:— (i) pumping with brine under a pressure of 80 lbs. or more to the square inch and subsequently soaking in brine or dry-salting for a period of not less than four days, or (ii) salting (wet-salting or dry-salting) for a period of not less than ten days

Product	Country	Requirement
Fully cured bacon and ham—*cont.*	Belgium, etc.—*cont.*	Provided that— (*a*) In the case of bacon and ham cured or brought from Denmark, Holland, Sweden and Poland the above-mentioned certificate will not be required if every side or piece of such bacon or ham is stamped or branded with an official stamp or brand of a pattern prescribed by the regulations of the Government of the country and recognised by the Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries. (*b*) Each consignment from Poland shall in any case be accompanied by a certificate signed by a duly authorised Officer of the Government of the country that the product originated in the part of Poland specified in the second column of this Schedule.
Hides and Skins which have been wet-salted.	Any European country or part of a country except any country included in Part I of the Second Schedule.	Each consignment to be accompanied by a certificate signed by a duly authorised Officer of the Government of the country in which the port of shipment is situated to the effect that he is satisfied that the hides or skins have been wet-salted for a period of fourteen days.
Meat, including edible offal.	Argentina, Brazil, Chile, Uruguay.	Each consignment to be derived from frigorificos recognised by the Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries for the purpose of the Order.
Meat, including edible offal (other than pig meat).	United States of America.	Each consignment to be accompanied by a certificate signed by a duly authorised Officer of the Federal Government certifying that the meat is not pig meat and is derived from abattoirs which are subject to Federal meat inspection.

Product	Country	Requirement
Pig meat.	Kenya (excluding the Coast Province, the Northern Province, the North Nyeri administrative district of the Central Province and the African areas of the Nyanza, Rift Valley, Central and Southern Provinces).	Each consignment to be accompanied by a certificate signed by a duly authorised Officer of the Government of Kenya that the product originated in the part of Kenya specified in the second column of this Schedule and was prepared, processed or packed in a plant approved by the Government of Kenya.
Sausage casings (cleaned and scraped).	Belgium, Cyprus, Denmark, France, Holland, Italy, Luxembourg, Portugal, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Western Germany.	Each consignment to be accompanied by a declaration naming the country of origin and stating that the consignment contains no sausage casings imported from any other country.

FOURTH SCHEDULE
(*Article* 10)

ORDERS REVOKED

The Importation (Raw Tongues) Order of 1913(a).
The Importation (Raw Tongues) Amendment Order of 1913(b).
The Importation of Carcases (Prohibition) Order of 1926(c).
The Importation of Carcases (Prohibition) (Amendment) Order of 1926 (No. 2)(d).
The Importation of Carcases (Prohibition) (Amendment) Order of 1926 (No. 3)(e).
The Importation of Carcases (Prohibition) (Amendment) Order of 1926 (No. 4)(f).
The Importation of Carcases (Prohibition) (Amendment) Order of 1927(g).
The Importation of Carcases (Prohibition) (Amendment) Order of 1928(h).

EXPLANATORY NOTE

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

This Order which is made under the Diseases of Animals Act, 1950, regulates the import into Great Britain of meat and animal products which may introduce animal diseases. The principal provision of the Order is that no person may land in Great Britain any carcases or animal products to which it applies except in accordance with a licence granted by the Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries. The Order, in its Schedules, also sets out (1) animal products to which the Order does not apply and which may, therefore, be imported unlicensed from all countries, (2) certain countries from which products to which the Order applies may be imported unlicensed, and (3) products which may be imported from specified countries, if certain safeguards are satisfied.

(a) S.R. & O. 1913/449 (Rev. II, p. 412).
(b) S.R. & O. 1913/1153 (Rev. II, p. 412).
(c) S.R. & O. 1926/574 (Rev. II, p. 393: 1926, p. 76).
(d) S.R. & O. 1926/729 (Rev. II, p. 395: 1926, p. 78).
(e) S.R. & O. 1926/834 (Rev. II, p. 393: 1926, p. 80).
(f) S.R. & O. 1926/1043 (Rev. II, p. 396: 1926, p. 83).
(g) S.R. & O. 1927/112 (Rev. II, p. 393: 1927, p. 55).
(h) S.R. & O. 1928/7 (Rev. II, p. 398: 1928, p. 169).