1957 No. 467

The Importation of Horses, Asses and Mules Order, 1957

Made - - - -	*20th March*, 1957
Laid before Parliament	*26th March*, 1957
Coming into Operation	*1st May*, 1957

The Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food and the Secretary of State acting jointly, in exercise of the powers vested in them under Sections 1, 24, 33, 84 and 85 of the Diseases of Animals Act, 1950(**a**), as extended by the Diseases of Animals (Extension of Definitions) Order, 1952(**b**), and by Section 11 of the Agriculture (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act, 1954(**c**), and of every other power enabling them in that behalf, hereby order as follows:—

Citation and Commencement

1. This Order, which may be cited as the Importation of Horses, Asses and Mules Order, 1957, shall come into operation on the 1st day of May, 1957.

Interpretation

2.—(1) In this Order unless the context otherwise requires the following expressions have the meanings hereby respectively assigned to them:—

"horse" includes ass and mule and "mule" includes hinny;

"the Minister" means the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food.

(2) The Interpretation Act, 1889(**d**) 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 this Order, and for the purposes of Sections 1, 24, 33 and Part III of the Diseases of Animals Act, 1950, in so far as they may be applicable to the making, administration and enforcement of this Order, the definition of the expression "disease" in Section 84 of that Act is hereby extended so as to include the following diseases:—

ulcerative lymphangitis, dourine, horsepox, influenza, ringworm, strangles, infectious equine anaemia, encephalomyelitis, and equine virus abortion.

Regulation of importation of horses into Great Britain

4.—(1) Subject to the provisions of this Order, the landing or unloading in Great Britain from any vessel or aircraft of any horse brought from any country outside Great Britain, except Northern Ireland, the Republic of Ireland, the Channel Islands or the Isle of Man, is hereby prohibited unless such horse is accompanied by a certificate of a duly authorised Veterinary

(a) 14 Geo. 6. c. 36.
(b) S.I. 1952/1236 (1952 I, p. 128).
(c) 2 & 3 Eliz. 2. c. 39.
(d) 52 & 53 Vict. c. 63.

Officer of the Government of the country whence the horse was brought, stating :—

(*a*) for purposes of identification the breed, age and sex of the horse ;

(*b*) that the horse was examined by a veterinary officer of the said Government immediately before the commencement of its journey to Great Britain and that he found that the horse showed no symptoms of glanders (including farcy), epizootic lymphangitis, ulcerative lymphangitis, dourine, horsepox, sarcoptic mange, psoroptic mange, influenza, ringworm, strangles, infectious equine anaemia or encephalomyelitis ;

(*c*) that the horse was tested by a veterinary surgeon with mallein within ten days before the date of the commencement of its journey and did not react ;

(*d*) that to the best of the certifying officer's knowledge and belief the horse had not during the period of twelve months immediately preceding the commencement of its journey to Great Britain been kept on any premises on which infectious equine anaemia, encephalomyelitis or equine virus abortion then existed or had previously existed within the aforesaid period of twelve months, and had not otherwise been exposed to the risk of infection of these diseases ; and

(*e*) that, in the case of a mare, to the best of the certifying officer's knowledge and belief, it had not suffered from respiratory catarrhal infection during the period of three months immediately preceding the date of the commencement of its journey to Great Britain.

(2) For the purposes of this Article the country from which any horse is brought to Great Britain means the country in which its journey to Great Britain commences but does not include any other country through which the horse passes in transit on its way to a port or aerodrome for shipment to Great Britain without any break of journey, except such as may be necessary for feeding, watering or rest or incidental to transhipment or the working of traffic.

Special provisions for certain classes of horses

5. Where any horse to which the preceding Article applies is—

(*a*) a racehorse, or

(*b*) a trained pony imported for playing polo, or

(*c*) a performing horse, or

(*d*) a horse entered for the purposes of exhibition or competition at any show, parade or event, or

(*e*) a horse intended to be exported from Great Britain within fourteen days after landing,

the information required by paragraph (*c*) of Article 4 may be omitted from the certificate required by that Article, but in place thereof the imported horse shall also be accompanied on landing both by a second certificate signed by a duly authorised officer of the Government of the country whence the horse was brought, certifying that the horse had been, immediately before being despatched to Great Britain, within the country for a period of six months, and that the country during that period of six months was free from glanders (including farcy), and also by a declaration signed by the owner, person in charge of, or consignor of the horse stating (i) to which

of the above mentioned categories (*a*) to (*e*) the horse belongs, (ii) the estimated value of the horse, (iii) the name and address of the consignee in Great Britain, and (iv) the address of the premises to which the horse is consigned. Provided that where the horse has not been within the country from which it is brought for the aforesaid period of six months the certificate shall instead of stating that the horse was within the country for that period state the conditions imposed on its entry into that country by the Government thereof for the prevention of the spread of glanders (or farcy), and that such conditions have been properly observed.

Provisions as to certificates and declarations

6.—(1) Any certificate or declaration required by this Order shall be in the form set forth in the Schedule hereto, or to the like effect.

(2) A certificate or declaration may refer to more than one horse, but the full particulars required thereon shall be clearly given in respect of each horse referred to in the certificate or declaration.

(3) Any certificate or declaration required by this Order shall be delivered up on the landing of any horse referred to in the certificate or declaration by the person in charge of the horse to an Officer of Customs and Excise at the place of landing.

Power to require mallein test on arrival in Great Britain

7. For the purpose of preventing the introduction or spread of glanders (or farcy), the Minister may cause any horse imported into Great Britain from any country outside Great Britain except Northern Ireland, the Republic of Ireland, the Channel Islands, or the Isle of Man to be tested with mallein by a Veterinary Inspector at any time within twenty-eight days after the arrival of the horse, and the owner of the horse and occupier of the premises where the horse is located shall give all necessary facilities for such testing.

Power to require isolation, detention, examination and tests

8. Where any horse is imported into Great Britain unaccompanied by any document required by this Order, the Minister in respect of a horse landed or unloaded in England or Wales, or the Secretary of State in respect of a horse landed or unloaded in Scotland, may, for the purpose of preventing the introduction or spread of disease, by a notice in writing served on any person having the control or custody of the horse require that person, at the expense of the owner of the horse, and subject to any conditions imposed by the notice, to detain and isolate the horse and to subject it, or to permit it to be subjected to, such examinations and tests as the Minister or Secretary of State may consider advisable.

Revocation

9. The Importation of Horses, Asses, and Mules (Great Britain) Order of 1938(**a**) is hereby revoked.

(**a**) S.R. & O. 1938/272 (Rev. II, p. 404: 1938 I, p. 309).

Local Authority to enforce Order

10. This Order shall, except where it is otherwise provided, be executed and enforced by the Local Authority.

In Witness whereof the Official Seal of the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food is hereunto affixed this nineteenth day of March, nineteen hundred and fifty-seven.

(L.S.) *D. Heathcoat Amory,*
Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food.

Given under Seal of the Secretary of State for Scotland this twentieth day of March, nineteen hundred and fifty-seven.

(L.S.) *John S. Maclay,*
Secretary of State for Scotland.

SCHEDULE

IMPORTATION OF HORSES, ASSES AND MULES ORDER, 1957

Form of Veterinary Certificate required to accompany Horse(s), Ass(es) or Mule(s) brought to Great Britain from Abroad

CERTIFICATE

I, the undersigned, being a duly authorised Veterinary Officer of the Government of ..... hereby certify—

(1) that the horse(s) described below has (have) this day been examined by a veterinary officer of the said Government who found that the horse(s) did not show symptoms of glanders (including farcy), epizootic lymphangitis, ulcerative lymphangitis, dourine, horsepox, sarcoptic mange, psoroptic mange, influenza, ringworm, strangles, infectious equine anaemia or encephalomyelitis ;

(2) that (each of) the horse(s) described below was tested with mallein by a veterinary surgeon on the date(s) mentioned, that is, within ten days before the commencement of the journey of the horse(s) to Great Britain, and that the horse(s) did not react ;

(3) that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, during the period of twelve months immediately preceding the date of the commencement of the journey to Great Britain the horse(s) was (were) not kept on any premises on which infectious equine anaemia, encephalomyelitis or equine virus abortion then existed or had previously existed within the aforesaid period of twelve months, and has (have) not otherwise been exposed to the risk of infection of these diseases ;

(4) that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the mare described below has not suffered from respiratory catarrhal infection during the period of three months immediately preceding the date of the commencement of its journey to Great Britain.

Horse(s), Ass(es) or Mule(s) referred to in the above Certificate

Description of horse(s), ass(es) or mule(s)			Date of Mallein test	Result of test
Breed	Age	Sex		

Signature of Veterinary Officer .....

of the Government of .....

Dated this ..... day of ....., 19 .

IMPORTATION OF HORSES, ASSES AND MULES ORDER, 1957

Form of Declaration regarding race horses, polo ponies, performing horses or horses entered for competitions or for exhibition, or intended for exportation from Great Britain.

I, ... being the { *(Owner) / *(Person in Charge) / *(Consignor) }

of the horse described below hereby declare that the horse is—

(*a*) *a race horse;

(*b*) *a trained pony imported for playing polo;

(*c*) *a horse trained for performing;

(*d*) *a horse entered for the purpose of exhibition or competition at a show, parade or event;

(*e*) *a horse intended to be exported from Great Britain within 14 days after landing.

Horse(s), Ass(es) or Mule(s) referred to in above Declaration

Estimated value	Name and address of Consignee in Great Britain	Address of premises to which horse is consigned

Dated this ..... day of ....., 19 .

Signature of Owner, Person in Charge, or Consignor .....

* Strike out the words which are inapplicable.

IMPORTATION OF HORSES, ASSES AND MULES ORDER, 1957

Form of certificate to accompany any racehorse, polo pony, performing horse, horse entered for exhibition or competition or intended for exportation from Great Britain if such horse was not tested with mallein.

I, the undersigned, being a duly authorised officer of the Government of ..... hereby certify—

(1) and (3) Strike out the paragraph which does not apply.

1. (1)that immediately before being despatched to Great Britain the horse described below had been within(2) , for a period of six months,

[or]

(2) Insert name of country.

(3)that on the entry of the horse described below into(2) the following conditions were imposed by the Government for the purpose of preventing the spread of glanders (or farcy), and such conditions have been properly observed. The conditions were(4)

(4) Insert conditions.

and

2. that during the period of six months immediately before the despatch of the horse to Great Britain the country was free from glanders (including farcy).

Description of Horse, Ass or Mule

Breed	Age	Sex	Category

Signature of Authorised officer of the Government of

.....

Dated this ..... day of ....., 19 .

EXPLANATORY NOTE

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

This Statutory Instrument re-enacts, with amendments, the provisions of the Importation of Horses, Asses, and Mules (Great Britain) Order of 1938. The principal changes are—

(1) Racehorses, polo ponies, performing horses, horses entered for shows or intended to be exported from Great Britain within 14 days of landing, will not be required to have undergone the mallein test, but must be accompanied by a certificate of an officer of the Government of the exporting country, certifying that the country was for the preceding six months free from glanders, as well as by a declaration by the owner or person in charge of the horse giving certain specified particulars about the horse.

(2) The period during which an imported horse may be required to be tested with mallein is extended to 28 days.

(3) Any horse brought to Great Britain without the prescribed documents may be required to be detained and isolated and subjected to examinations and tests.

ARTIFICIAL INSEMINATION

1957 No. 948

The Artificial Insemination of Cattle (England and Wales) Regulations, 1957

Made - - - -	31*st May*, 1957
Laid before Parliament	6*th June*, 1957
Coming into Operation	1*st July*, 1957

The Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food, in exercise of the powers conferred on him by Section 17 of the Agriculture (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act, 1943(a), and of all other powers enabling him in that behalf, hereby makes the following Regulations:—

Citation, Commencement and Extent

1.—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the Artificial Insemination of Cattle (England and Wales) Regulations, 1957, and shall come into operation on the 1st day of July, 1957.

(2) These Regulations shall apply to England and Wales.

Revocation

2. The Artificial Insemination (Cattle) (England and Wales) Regulations, 1943(b), are hereby revoked but, notwithstanding such revocation, any licence or approval given by the Minister under or by virtue of those Regulations shall, if in force on the coming into operation of these Regulations, continue in force as if given by the Minister under or by virtue of these Regulations.

Interpretation

3.—(1) In these Regulations, unless the context otherwise requires, the following expressions have the meanings hereby assigned to them respectively, that is to say—

"artificial insemination centre" means a centre providing services of artificial insemination for cattle:

"cow" includes heifer;

"distribute" includes use in the operation of artificial insemination and "distributed" has a corresponding meaning;

"Minister" means the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food;

"poultry" means birds of the following species, that is to say, domestic fowls, turkeys, geese and ducks.

(2) The Interpretation Act, 1889(c), shall apply to the interpretation of these Regulations as it applies to the interpretation of an Act of Parliament.

(a) 6 & 7 Geo. 6. c. 16.
(b) S.R. & O. 1943/1122 (Rev. II, p. 718: 1943 I, p. 44).
(c) 52 & 53 Vict. c. 63.