1956 No. 1427

The Licensing of Bulls (England and Wales) Regulations, 1956

Made - - - -	12*th September*, 1956
Laid before Parliament	19*th September*, 1956
Coming into Operation	1*st October*, 1956

The Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food, in exercise of the powers conferred on him by Sections 1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 10 and 11 of the Improvement of Live Stock (Licensing of Bulls) Act, 1931(**a**), and subsection (3) of section 6 of the Agriculture (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act, 1944(**b**), and of all other powers enabling him in that behalf and with the approval of the Treasury as to fees, hereby makes the following regulations:—

Citation, Commencement and Extent

1.—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the Licensing of Bulls (England and Wales) Regulations, 1956, and shall come into operation on the first day of October, 1956.

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

Revocation

2. The Improvement of Livestock (Licensing of Bulls) (England and Wales) Regulations, 1945(**c**), and the Improvement of Livestock (Licensing of Bulls) (England and Wales) (Amendment) Regulations, 1946(**d**), are hereby revoked, but such revocation shall not affect the validity of any notice duly served thereunder or any proceedings duly undertaken by virtue of those Regulations, which shall have effect as if served under or undertaken by virtue of the corresponding provisions of these Regulations.

Interpretation

3.—(1) In these Regulations—

"the Act" means the Improvement of Live Stock (Licensing of Bulls) Act, 1931;

"licence" means a licence under the Act to keep a bull for breeding purposes;

"the Minister" and "the Ministry" mean the Minister and the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food respectively;

"permit" means a permit under the Act to keep a bull for any purpose other than breeding purposes.

(2) Any reference in these Regulations to a form denoted by a number shall be construed as a reference to the form so numbered in the First Schedule to these Regulations or a form substantially to the like effect.

(**a**) 21 & 22 Geo. 5. c. 43. (**b**) 7 & 8 Geo. 6. c. 28.
(**c**) S.R. & O. 1945/540 (Rev. II, p. 688: 1945 I, p. 38).
(**d**) S.R. & O. 1946/223 (Rev. II, p. 688: 1946 I, p. 37).

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

Prescribed Age of Bull

4. For the purposes of Section 1 of the Act (which prohibits the keeping of a bull that has attained the prescribed age unless a licence or permit is in force in respect of it) the prescribed age shall be the age of ten months.

Approved Breeding Societies

5. For the purposes of sub-section (3) of Section 6 of the Agriculture (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act, 1944 (which empowers the Minister to refuse to grant a licence if he is not satisfied that the bull is registered or eligible for registration as a pedigree bull with an approved breeding society, or conforms to the standard of type laid down for pedigree bulls of that type by an approved breeding society and is unlikely to beget progeny which do not conform to that standard) an approved breeding society shall be any one of the societies specified in the First and Second Parts of the Second Schedule to these Regulations.

Applications for licences and permits

6. Any application for a licence shall be in Form 1 and any application for a permit shall be in Form 2.

Time for making applications

7.—(1) Subject to the provisions of paragraph (2) hereof, the prescribed time for making an application for a licence or a permit shall be as follows—

(*a*) in the case of a licence, not later than twenty-eight days before the bull attains the prescribed age;

(*b*) in the case of a permit, within such time as may be applicable according to the following Table—

Where a licence or permit in respect of the bull has not at any time been applied for.	Not later than twenty-eight days before the bull attains the prescribed age.
Where a licence in respect of the bull has been refused or revoked.	Before the expiration of fourteen days from the date of the refusal or revocation or, if a referee's inspection is duly applied for, within fourteen days after the Minister notifies the applicant that he has confirmed the refusal or revocation in accordance with the referee's report.
Where a permit in respect of the bull has been granted and has not expired.	Not later than fourteen days before the expiry of that permit.

(2) Notwithstanding the provisions of the foregoing paragraph, in the case of a bull which is or is to be imported or brought into England or Wales

(a) 52 & 53 Vict. c. 63.

and which at the date of entry into England and Wales has attained or will have attained the prescribed age or will attain that age within forty-two days from that date, an application for a licence or permit shall be made not later than fourteen days after the date of entry.

Conditions as to Inspection and Marking of Bulls

8. The following shall be the conditions as to inspection and marking of a bull before the grant of a licence or permit:—

(*a*) The bull shall be inspected by an officer of the Ministry and for this purpose the Minister may require the owner of the bull to make it available for inspection at any place or time that has been notified to the owner, and the owner shall provide all reasonable facilities and assistance for the purpose of the inspection and marking of the bull.

Provided that a bull that has previously been inspected on behalf of the Minister for any other purpose may, if the Minister thinks fit, be exempted from the inspection prescribed by this regulation.

(*b*) If, after inspection, the bull is found suitable for a licence, it shall be marked by an officer of the Ministry with the mark and in the manner prescribed in that behalf by Regulation 16 hereof.

Forms of licences and permits

9.—(1) A licence shall, subject to the succeeding paragraphs of this Regulation, be in Form 3, 4 or 5 and a permit shall be in Form 6.

(2) A licence shall be in Form 3 (that is to say, a Beef Bull Licence) if the Minister is satisfied that the bull is registered, and duly marked or otherwise identifiable as being so registered, in the pedigree register of one of the beef cattle breeding societies specified in the First Part of the Second Schedule to these Regulations.

(3) A licence shall be in Form 4 (that is to say, a Dairy Bull Licence) if the Minister is satisfied that the conditions specified in the Third Schedule to these Regulations are complied with.

(4) A licence shall be in Form 5 (that is to say, a General Class Bull Licence) if the bull is not eligible for a licence in either of the Forms 3 or 4.

Change of class of licence

10. An application for a Dairy Bull Licence by the owner of a bull in respect of which there is in force a General Class Bull Licence of the kind referred to in Regulation 9 (4) hereof, or a licence granted before the coming into operation of these Regulations, shall be in Form 7 and may be made at any time when the applicant is able to satisfy the Minister that the conditions specified in the Third Schedule to these Regulations are complied with.

Duplicates of Licences and Permits

11. Any application for a duplicate of a licence or permit that has been lost or destroyed shall be in Form 8.

Change of Place at which Permit Bulls may be kept

12. Where it is a condition of a permit that the bull to which it relates shall be kept at a specified place, any application made under sub-section (2)

of Section 4 of the Act for the substitution in the permit of some other place for the place theretofore specified shall be made in writing by the owner of the bull.

Notice of Suspension

13. Any notice of suspension served under sub-section (3) of Section 4 of the Act (making it a condition of a licence that the bull to which it relates shall not for a specified period be allowed to serve a cow) shall be served on any person for the time being having the bull in his possession or custody.

Application for Referee's Inspection

14.—(1) Any application made under sub-section (1) of Section 5 of the Act for a referee's inspection of a bull consequent on the refusal or revocation of a licence, or on the service of a notice of suspension, as respects that bull shall be in Form 9, and shall be made before the expiration of a period of fourteen days from the date of the refusal or revocation or the service of the notice, as the case may be.

(2) Any notice of the result of his application given to an applicant by the Minister shall be given in writing.

Fees

15.—(1) The prescribed fees in respect of an application for the grant of a licence or permit or for a duplicate thereof or for a referee's inspection shall be as follows:—

	£	s.	d.
Licence or Permit		5	0
Provided that, if the prescribed fee has been paid in respect of an application for a licence that has been refused, no further fee will be payable in respect of a permit.			
Duplicate Licence or Permit		2	6
Referee's Inspection	2	2	0
(Returnable under Section 5 (7) of the Act if the refusal, revocation, or notice of suspension is not confirmed.)			

(2) The prescribed fee shall be remitted to the Ministry with the corresponding application.

(3) If, before the inspection referred to in Regulation 8 (*a*) or Regulation 14 (1) hereof takes place, the relative application for a licence or permit or for a referee's inspection is withdrawn by means of a written notice given by the applicant to the Ministry, the Ministry may return the fee to the applicant.

Prescribed Marks

16.—(1) The following provisions of this paragraph shall have effect for the purposes of paragraph (*b*) of sub-section (1) of Section 10 of the Act (which empowers an officer of the Ministry to mark any bull with a prescribed mark in the prescribed manner).

(2) The mark prescribed for a bull that is to be marked pursuant to the condition contained in paragraph (*b*) of Regulation 8 hereof is a design consisting of a Crown and the bull shall be marked with it in or on the right ear or, if that is impracticable, on some other appropriate place.

(3) The mark prescribed for a bull that, after inspection by an officer of the Ministry, has been found unsuitable for a licence (whether or not an application therefor has been made), or a bull whose licence has been revoked or a bull in respect of which a permit has been granted, shall be the letter "R" and the bull shall be marked with it in or on the left ear or, if that is impracticable, on some other appropriate place.

(4) The mark prescribed for a bull that is being marked by an officer of the Ministry for the purpose of identification shall be a combination of any two letters of the alphabet or a combination of figures or both such combinations and the bull shall be marked with that mark in or on one of its ears or, if that is impracticable, on some other appropriate place.

Service of Notices and other Documents

17. Any notice required or authorised by or under the Act to be given or served by the Minister may be given or served by delivering it to the person to or on whom it is to be given or served, or by sending it to him by post in a letter addressed to him at his last known place of abode or business.

18.—(1) Any application for a licence (other than an application of the kind described in Regulation 10 hereof) and any written notice of withdrawal of such an application given under Regulation 15 (3) hereof, shall be sent by post in a letter addressed to the Secretary, Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food at the address of the Agricultural Executive Committee for the county in which the bull is kept at the time when the application or notice is so sent.

(2) Except as provided in paragraph (1) of this Regulation, any application, notice or other document required or authorised by or under the Act to be made, given or sent by any person to the Minister or the Ministry shall be made, given or sent by post in a letter addressed, in the case of a bull kept in England (except Monmouth), to the Secretary, Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food, London, and, in the case of a bull kept in Wales or Monmouth, to the Secretary, Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food, Welsh Department, Aberystwyth.

In witness whereof the Official Seal of the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food is hereunto affixed this 5th day of September, 1956.

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

Approved this 12th day of September, 1956.

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

Reg 3 (2)

FIRST SCHEDULE

FORM 1 (Reg. 6)

Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food

Licensing of Bulls (England and Wales) Regulations, 1956

APPLICATION FOR A LICENCE TO KEEP A BULL

Name of bull | Breed or type | Date of Birth 19 (day) (month) (year)

Is the Bull pure bred *Yes/No

Is the bull registered or eligible for registration with a breed society? *Yes/No | Colour | Earmarks

Full postal address of premises at which bull is kept

County | Parish | Nearest town or village and distance from farm miles

If bull is to be sent to a sale within six weeks, state sale and date

Full name of owner (in BLOCK LETTERS)

Address (if different from premises above)

I hereby apply for a licence in respect of the bull described above and I hereby certify the foregoing particulars to be correct.

The bull is to be considered primarily for a *Beef Bull/Dairy Bull/General class Bull Licence.

I enclose *cheque/postal order/money order for 5s. in payment of the prescribed fee.

I am the *owner/agent for the owner of the bull.

Full name of applicant (in BLOCK LETTERS) (if different from owner above)

Address

Telephone No.

Date 19 Signature

* Strike out words that do not apply.

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FORM 2 (Reg. 6)

Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food

Licensing of Bulls (England and Wales) Regulations, 1956

APPLICATION FOR A PERMIT TO KEEP AN UNLICENSED BULL

Name of bull Breed or type Date of birth 19
(day) (month) (year)

Colour earmarks

Full postal address of premises at which bull is to be kept

County Nearest town or village and

Parish distance from from miles

Full name of owner (in BLOCK LETTERS)

Address (if different from premises above)

I hereby apply for a permit to keep the unlicensed bull described above until 19 , for the purpose of

I enclose *cheque/postal order/money order for 5s. in payment of the prescribed fee. (Not required if the prescribed fee has been paid in respect of an application for a licence that has been refused.)

I am the *owner/agent for the owner of the bull.

Full name of applicant (in BLOCK LETTERS) (if different from owner above)

Address

Telephone No.

Date 19 Signature

* Strike out words that do not apply.

FORM 3 (Reg. 9 (2)) No.

Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food

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BEEF BULL LICENCE

Name of bull

Breed

Date of birth

Colour

Earmarks

This is to certify that the bull described above is licensed as a Beef Bull under the Improvement of Live Stock (Licensing of Bulls) Act, 1931.

Dated this day of 19

Secretary

FORM 4 (Reg. 9 (3))

No.

Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food

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DAIRY BULL LICENCE

Name of bull
Breed or type
Date of birth
Colour
Earmarks

This is to certify that the bull described above is licensed as a Dairy Bull under the Improvement of Live Stock (Licensing of Bulls) Act, 1931.

Dated this day of 19

Secretary

FORM 5 (Reg. 9 (4))

No.

Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food

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GENERAL CLASS BULL LICENCE

Name of bull
Breed or type
Date of birth
Colour
Earmarks

This is to certify that the bull described above is licensed as a General Class Bull under the Improvement of Live Stock (Licensing of Bulls) Act, 1931.

Dated this day of 19

Secretary

FORM 6 (Reg. 9 (1))

No.

Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food

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PERMIT TO KEEP AN UNLICENSED BULL

Name of bull
Breed or type
Date of birth
Colour
Earmarks

The Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food hereby permits the unlicensed bull described above belonging to
to be kept at
until subject to the following conditions:—

1. The bull shall be kept at the place specified above or such other place as may, on due application, be substituted herein for the place specified above.
2. The bull shall not be allowed to serve a cow or heifer.

Dated this day of 19

Secretary

FORM 7 (Reg. 10)

Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food

Licensing of Bulls (England and Wales) Regulations, 1956

APPLICATION FOR CHANGE OF LICENCE

Name of bull | Breed or type | Date of birth 19

Colour | Earmarks

Number of current licence

Full name of applicant (in BLOCK LETTERS)

Full postal address

I hereby apply for a Dairy Bull Licence to be granted in substitution for the *General Class Bull Licence/Dairy (Official Milk Record) Licence WHICH IS ENCLOSED HEREWITH.

In support of this application, I also enclose evidence that the dam of the bull and the dam of the bull's sire have each attained the prescribed standard of milk yield with butter-fat content.

Date 19 Signature

* Strike out words that do not apply.

FORM 8 (Reg. 11)

Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food

Licensing of Bulls (England and Wales) Regulations, 1956

APPLICATION FOR A DUPLICATE OF A LICENCE OR PERMIT

Name of bull | Breed or type | Date of birth 19

Colour | Earmarks

Full name of applicant (in BLOCK LETTERS)

Full postal address

I certify that the *Licence/permit numbered to keep the bull described above has been lost or destroyed and I hereby apply for a duplicate.

I enclose *cheque/postal order/money order for 2s. 6d. in payment of the prescribed fee.

Date 19 Signature

* Strike out words that do not apply.

FORM 9 (Reg. 14)

Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food

Licensing of Bulls (England and Wales) Regulations, 1956

APPLICATION FOR A REFEREE'S INSPECTION

Name of bull | Breed or type | Date of birth 19

Number of licence (if any) | Colour | Earmarks

Full name of applicant (in BLOCK LETTERS)

Full postal address

Whereas the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food has *refused to grant/revoked/served a notice of suspension of a licence to keep the bull described above, now therefore I require a referee's inspection of the bull in accordance with Section 5 of the Improvement of Live Stock (Licensing of Bulls) Act, 1931.

The bull will be kept during the next 28 days at

I enclose *cheque/postal orders/money order for £2 2s. 0d. in payment of the prescribed fee.†

Date 19 Signature

* Strike out words that do not apply.

† This will be returned if the refusal, revocation or notice of suspension is not confirmed.

Note. A copy of any of the forms 1, 2, 7, 8 or 9 set out above will be supplied free of charge to any person on application to the Secretary, Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food, London.

Reg. 5 & 9 (2)

SECOND SCHEDULE

First Part

Approved Beef Cattle Breeding Societies

Aberdeen-Angus Cattle Society.

Belted Galloway Cattle Society.

Devon Cattle Breeders' Society.

Galloway Cattle Society.

Hereford Herd Book Society.

Highland Cattle Society of Scotland.

Lincoln Red Shorthorn Society.

Red Poll Cattle Society of Great Britain and Ireland.

Shorthorn Society of Great Britain and Ireland.

South Devon Herd Book Society.

Sussex Herd Book Society.

Welsh Black Cattle Society.

Second Part

Other Approved Cattle Breeding Societies

Ayrshire Cattle Herd Book Society.

British-Canadian Holstein-Friesian Association.

British Friesian Cattle Society.

British Kerry Cattle Society.

British White Cattle Society.

Dexter Cattle Society.

English Guernsey Cattle Society.

English Jersey Cattle Society.

Northern Dairy Shorthorn Breeders Society, Ltd.

Red and White Friesian Cattle Society, Ltd.

Shetland Cattle Herd Book Society.

Regs. 9 (3) & 10

THIRD SCHEDULE

CONDITIONS FOR A DAIRY BULL LICENCE

1. The conditions referred to in paragraph (3) of Regulation 9 and in Regulation 10 are as follows:—

(*a*) The applicant for the licence shall establish to the satisfaction of the Minister that the dam of the bull in respect of which the application is made and the dam of the bull's sire have each attained such standard of milk yield with butter-fat content as is hereinafter specified.

(*b*) The said standard shall be the production, in a lactation period of 305 consecutive days following calving, of a milk yield that is not less than the quantity specified in the following Table in relation to the breed and the calving in question and contains a quantity of butter-fat that is not less than the quantity so specified and is not less than the percentage so specified of the milk yield. The calving shall be such one of those specified in the Table as the applicant may select, and different calvings may be chosen for different ancestors.

Breed	Minimum milk yield and butter-fat content						Minimum percentage of butter-fat content
	With the First Calf		With the Second Calf		With a Subsequent Calf		
	Milk	Butter-fat	Milk	Butter-fat	Milk	Butter-fat	
	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.	Per cent.
Ayrshire	6,500	247	7,500	285	9,000	342	3·8
British Friesian, British-Canadian Holstein-Friesian and Red and White Friesian ...	7,000	250	8,000	280	9,500	333	3·5
British White ...	5,500	209	6,500	247	7,500	285	3·8
Dairy Shorthorn, Lincoln Red Shorthorn and Northern Dairy Shorthorn ...	6,000	225	7,000	262	8,000	300	3·5
Dexter	4,000	160	5,000	200	6,000	240	4·0
Guernsey	6,500	310	7,500	355	8,500	400	4·25
Jersey	6,000	300	7,000	350	8,000	400	4·5
Kerry	5,500	203	6,500	240	7,500	277	3·7
Red Poll	6,000	225	7,000	262	8,000	300	3·5
South Devon ...	5,500	220	6,500	260	7,500	300	4·0
Welsh Black ...	5,000	200	6,000	240	7,000	280	4·0

2. In this Schedule—

(*a*) the expression "calf" includes multiple births;

(*b*) the expression "lactation period" means a natural lactation period occurring in consequence of the birth of a calf.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

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

These Regulations, which come into operation on 1st October, 1956, revoke and re-enact with amendments the Improvement of Livestock (Licensing of Bulls) (England and Wales) Regulations, 1945. The principal changes are:—

(1) the abolition of the Dairy (Official Milk Record) Licence and the introduction of a Dairy Bull Licence for which records of butter-fat production as well as milk yield in the bull's ancestry are required;

(2) the fixing of a new address to which an application for a licence must be sent;

(3) the prescription of a time within which application must be made for a licence in respect of a bull imported or brought into England or Wales;

(4) the correction and extension of the list of approved cattle breeding societies.

ARMY

DISCIPLINE

1956 No. 630

The Board of Inquiry (Army) Rules, 1956

Made - - - -	*24th April*, 1956
Laid before Parliament	*27th April*, 1956
Coming into Operation	1*st January*, 1957

The Secretary of State for War, in exercise of the powers conferred upon him by section 135 of the Army Act, 1955(**a**), and of all other powers him enabling hereby makes the following Rules:—

Citation and Commencement

1. These Rules may be cited as the Board of Inquiry (Army) Rules, 1956, and shall come into operation on the 1st day of January, 1957.

Interpretation

2.—(1) The Interpretation Act, 1889(**b**), shall apply to the interpretation of these Rules as it applies to the interpretation of an Act of Parliament.

(2) In these Rules, except where the context otherwise requires:—

"the Act" means the Army Act, 1955(**a**);

"the authority", in relation to a board, means the Army Council or any military, naval or air-force officer empowered by or under these Rules to convene a board;

"board" means board of inquiry;

"civil authority" includes a coroner and the civil police;

"civilian witness" means a person who gives evidence before a board and is either a person to whom section 209 of the Act or any corresponding

(**a**) 3 & 4 Eliz. 2. c. 18. (**b**) 52 & 53 Vict. c. 63.