Marketing of Fruit.

Conditions of Marketing of Apples.

RULES, DATED 16TH SEPTEMBER, 1942, MADE BY THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE UNDER SECTION 15 OF THE MARKETING OF FRUIT ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1931. (21 AND 22 GEO. V. C. 8).

1942. No. 145.

The Ministry of Agriculture in exercise of the powers conferred upon it by Section 15 of the Marketing of Fruit Act (Northern Ireland), 1931, and of every other power enabling it in that behalf hereby makes the following Rules amending further the Marketing of Fruit (Consolidation) Rules (Northern Ireland), 1938, (hereinafter referred to as " the Principal Rules "), as amended by the Marketing of Fruit (Amendment) Rules (Northern Ireland), 1941.

1.—The following Article shall be inserted immediately after Article 6 of the principal Rules.

Shipment of Apples below " C " Standard.

(7) Notwithstanding any provisions of these Rules, apples which fail to reach the requirements in respect of either size or quality or both size and quality of Standard " C " as specified in the Third Schedule to the principal Rules may be shipped for the fresh fruit market to Great Britain or the Isle of Man, subject to the under-mentioned conditions. Such apples shall be divided into two classes known respectively as " smalls " and " culls." " Smalls " shall be regarded as apples of the same variety which are less than 2 inches in diameter and " culls " as apples of the same variety which are not less than 2 inches in diameter.

(1) Consignments shall be packed only in a box " Y " for the construction of which the following is the specification :—

Internal dimensions, 30 in. x 14 in. x 13 in.
Ends, 2 pieces, 14 in. x 13 in. x $\frac{1}{2}$ in.*
Battens for Ends, 4 pieces, 13 in. x $1\frac{1}{2}$ in. x $\frac{1}{2}$ in.
Sides, 4 pieces, 32 in. x $6\frac{1}{2}$ in. x $\frac{3}{8}$ in.*
Tops and Bottoms, 4 pieces, 31 in. x 7 in. x $\frac{1}{4}$ in.*
Cleats, 4 pieces, 14 in. x $\frac{3}{4}$ in. x $\frac{1}{4}$ in.

$1\frac{1}{2}$ in. cement-coated 14 gauge wire nails only to be used, save for fixing battens.

* These measurements must be actual, not nominal.

(2) Each container in which "smalls" are shipped shall

(*a*) contain not more than 5 per cent. by count of apples which are 2 inches or more but not exceeding 2¼ inches in diameter and shall contain no apples exceeding 2¼ inches in diameter;

(*b*) be clearly and indelibly stencilled on the ends and top and bottom with the word "smalls" in letters not less than 2½ inches high.

(3) Each container in which "culls" are shipped shall

(*a*) contain not more than 5 per cent. by count of apples which are less than 2 inches in diameter and not more than 5 per cent. by count of apples equal to or above the quality requirements for Standard "C";

(*b*) be clearly and indelibly stencilled on the ends and top and bottom with the word "culls" in letters not less than 2½ inches high.

(4) Each container in which either "smalls" or "culls" are shipped shall be indelibly marked on one outside end or on a label firmly attached to one outside end with

(*a*) the number of the licence or permit; and

(*b*) the variety.

(5) Each consignment shall be accompanied by a return or returns of shipment as prescribed for licence holders in Section (2) of Article 5 of the principal Rules and in the Fifth Schedule thereto as amended by Article 2 of these Rules.

2.—The Fifth Schedule to the principal Rules shall be amended by substituting after the word "hereunder" the following references to containers for the references thereto in that Schedule, the letters B.S.A. being a contraction for the words "British Standard Apple":—

Number of Boxes, B.S.A.
Number of Boxes, "X"
Number of Boxes, "Y" { Smalls / Culls
Number of Barrels
Number of Kegs
Number of Bags

3.—In Article 1 of the Fourth Schedule to the principal Rules where the words "cement-coated nails only to be used" occur, the following words shall be substituted for those words "1½ in. cement-coated 14 gauge wire nails only to be used."

4.—These Rules shall come into operation on the twenty-eighth day of September, 1942.

5.—These Rules may be cited as The Marketing of Fruit (Amendment) Rules (Northern Ireland), 1942, and shall be construed as one with The Marketing of Fruit (Consolidation) Rules (Northern Ireland), 1938, and The Marketing of Fruit (Amendment) Rules (Northern Ireland), 1941.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Ministry of Agriculture for Northern Ireland this sixteenth day of September, Nineteen hundred and forty-two, in the presence of

(L.S.) (Signed) *J. Pimlott*,
Assistant Secretary.

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Diseases of Animals.

Boiling of Animal Food.

1942. No. 34.

(Dated 23rd February, 1942.)

The Ministry of Agriculture for Northern Ireland, by virtue and in exercise of the powers vested in it under the Diseases of Animals Act, 1894, as amended and adapted by any subsequent Enactments and of every other power enabling it in that behalf, orders and it is hereby ordered as follows :—

Precautions to be adopted in regard to the feeding of certain foodstuffs to animals.

1.—It shall be unlawful for any person to feed, or to cause, direct or permit to be fed to any animal or to bring into contact with any animal any meat or swill unless the same shall have been boiled for at least one hour before being fed to or brought into contact with the animal.

Interpretation.

2.—In this Order " animals " means cattle, sheep, goats and all other ruminating animals and swine ;