NOTES

1. This form of certificate must be signed by a Veterinary Surgeon appointed by the Government of the country of origin except that where the semen is obtained from a bull located at a recognised artificial insemination centre in Great Britain or the Republic of Ireland the certificate may be signed by the Veterinary Surgeon in charge of such centre.

2. The original of this certificate must be forwarded by post to the Secretary, Ministry of Agriculture, Stormont, Belfast.

3. Each consignment of semen must be accompanied by one copy of the certificate affixed to the outside of the package.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

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

1. These Regulations provide for a general service insemination fee of 25/- for pedigree and non-pedigree cows and for a nominated service fee of 40/- which enables a herd owner to specify the bull from which semen is required.

2. The charge of 5/- for a certificate to enable the resulting progeny to be entered in a Herd Book or Register is re-introduced.

3. Charges are prescribed for collection and storage of semen for herd owners.

4. There is also a drafting amendment covering the importation of semen into Northern Ireland.

1959. No. 79 [NC]

DISEASES OF ANIMALS

Tuberculosis (Restriction of Movement) Order (Northern Ireland), 1959

ORDER, DATED 6TH MAY, 1959, MADE BY THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE UNDER THE DISEASES OF ANIMALS ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1958(a).

The Ministry of Agriculture for Northern Ireland by virtue of and in exercise of the powers vested in it under the Diseases of Animals Act (Northern Ireland), 1958, and of every other power enabling it in that behalf, hereby makes the following Order:—

Citation and Commencement

1. This Order, which may be cited as the Tuberculosis (Restriction of Movement) Order (Northern Ireland), 1959, shall come into operation on the first day of June, 1959.

(a) 1958. c. 13.

Interpretation

2. In this Order:—

"Act" means the Diseases of Animals Act (Northern Ireland), 1958.

"Animal" means bovine animal.

"Authorised Officer" means an officer authorised by the Ministry for the purposes of this Order and includes Veterinary Inspector.

"Constable" means any member of the Royal Ulster Constabulary.

"Licence" means a movement licence issued under this Order by the Ministry and includes a permit for the movement of an animal issued under the Tuberculosis (Attested Herds) Scheme, 1959(a), or any modification of that Scheme for the time being in force.

"Ministry" means the Ministry of Agriculture for Northern Ireland.

"Restricted Area" means the counties of Antrim and Londonderry and the County Borough of Londonderry.

Application of Order

3.—(1) This Order except where otherwise specified shall apply only to the restricted area.

(2) Any farm, holding or enclosure which is partly within the restricted area and partly outside the area shall be deemed to be wholly within the said area.

Movement of animals into or through the restricted area

4.—(1) With a view to the eradication of bovine tuberculosis no animal shall be moved into or through the restricted area except under the authority of a licence and in accordance with the conditions (if any) subject to which the licence is issued.

(2) Paragraph (1) of this Article shall not apply to the movement of an animal in either direction on the main road or the railway between Belfast and Lurgan provided that during its movement through the restricted area the animal is not permitted to come into contact with any animal other than an animal which was in contact with it immediately before it entered the restricted area or with any goats or swine.

(3) A licence in respect of an animal other than attested or supervised shall not be issued unless the applicant for the licence produces a certificate signed by a Veterinary Surgeon that the animal has passed a tuberculin test within the previous fourteen days.

(4) Paragraph (3) of this Article shall not apply to the movement into the area of an animal for immediate slaughter or for immediate shipment by sea to a destination outside Northern Ireland.

Marking of Animals

5.—(1) The owner of any animal having the animal subjected to a test for the purposes of this Order shall mark the animal in an approved manner and the certificate of the test shall refer to the animal by the said mark.

(2) This Article shall apply throughout Northern Ireland.

(a) S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1959, No. 54.

Production of Licences

6. The person in charge of any animal being moved, where under this Order a licence for the movement is necessary, shall on demand by an authorised officer or by a constable, produce the licence, and allow a copy of or an extract from it to be taken, and shall also, if required, give his name and address and the name and address of the owner of the animal, if known to him.

Retention of Licences

7.—(1) The person in charge of an animal being moved shall deliver the licence to the person receiving delivery of the animal.

(2) The person to whose premises the animal is moved shall ensure that he receives the licence and he shall retain the said licence for a period of twelve months following the date of the movement and shall produce it on demand to an authorised officer or to a constable.

Offences

8.—(1) Any person who moves an animal in contravention of this Order or of the conditions of a licence granted under this Order, and the owner of such an animal and the person to whose premises the said animal is moved shall each according to and in respect of his or their own acts be guilty of an offence against the Act.

(2) Any person who fails to retain a licence in accordance with this Order or who fails to produce such licence on demand shall be guilty of an offence against the Act.

(3) Any person who fails to allow a copy of or an extract from a licence to be taken or to give his name and address or the name and address of the owner of an animal, if known, in accordance with this Order shall be guilty of an offence against the Act.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Ministry of Agriculture this sixth day of May, nineteen hundred and fifty-nine.

(L.S.) *J. C. Baird,*
Assistant Secretary.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

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

In order to prevent the entry of diseased cattle to the area shortly to be designated as an area of compulsory eradication of bovine tuberculosis, this Order restricts the movement of cattle into the area and has the effect of banning the entry of untested cattle except where they are intended for immediate slaughter or shipment out of the country.