

SILKWORM INDUSTRY PROTECTION.

22 OF 1922.

TO ENCOURAGE THE DEVELOPMENT AND IMPROVEMENT OF THE
SILK INDUSTRY.

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1. This Law may be cited as the Silkworm Industry Protection Short title.
Law, 1922.

2. In this Law:—

Definitions.

“Eggs” means the eggs of the silkworm moth.

“Moths” means silkworm moths.

“Disease” means hereditary pebrine, flacherie, and any other disease declared by Order of the High Commissioner in Council to be a disease for the purposes of this Law.

“Sericulture Inspector” means a person appointed by the High Commissioner to be a Sericulture Inspector under this Law.

3. The importation of silkworms into Cyprus is prohibited. Any person who imports or attempts to import silkworms shall be liable to a fine not exceeding ten pounds and all silkworms in respect of which an offence shall have been committed shall be confiscated.

Importation
of silkworms
prohibited.

4.—(1.) The importation of eggs into Cyprus is prohibited except under the conditions following:—

Conditions
under which
eggs may be
imported.

(a.) That the permission in writing of the Director of Agriculture is previously obtained; and

(b.) That the importation is completed between the first day of October and the ~~thirty-first day of January~~ *last day of February* inclusive; and

(c.) That the consignment of eggs is sealed by a banderolle affixed by such Government authority as the Director of Agriculture shall consider sufficient to guarantee the quality of the eggs; and

(d.) That the consignment of eggs is accompanied by such certificate from the vendor as the Director of Agriculture shall prescribe; and

(e.) Under the conditions and subject to the restrictions imposed by any rules under section 24.

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Penalty for
illegally
importing
eggs.

(2.) Any person who imports or attempts to import eggs otherwise than in accordance with the provisions of this section shall be liable to a fine not less than two pounds or more than ten pounds and all eggs or silkworms derived from such eggs in respect to which an offence shall have been committed shall be confiscated.

Penalty for
sale, etc., of
imported
silkworms or
eggs illegally
imported.

5. Any person who sells or otherwise disposes of or purchases or otherwise acquires imported silkworms, or eggs which have been imported into the Island otherwise than in accordance with the provisions of section 4, knowing that they have been so imported, shall be liable to a fine not less than two pounds or more than ten pounds and all silkworms and eggs in respect to which an offence shall have been committed shall be confiscated.

Penalty for
raising
silkworms
from illegally
imported
eggs.

6. Any person who raises or attempts to raise silkworms from eggs which have been imported into the Island otherwise than in accordance with the provisions of section 4, knowing that the eggs have been so imported, shall be liable to a fine not less than two pounds or more than ten pounds and all silkworms and eggs in respect to which an offence shall have been committed shall be confiscated.

Licences to
raise eggs in
the Island.

7. The Director of Agriculture may, if he shall think fit, issue a licence authorizing the person to whom it is granted to raise eggs on the Pasteur cellular system or such other system as the High Commissioner may by rule prescribe in the Island. Such licence shall be an annual licence expiring on the 28th February in each year. Any person raising eggs without a licence or raising eggs on any other system than the Pasteur cellular system or such other system as the High Commissioner may by rule prescribe shall be liable to a fine not less than one pound or more than five pounds for every ounce or part of an ounce of eggs so raised, and all the eggs raised by him shall be confiscated.

Eggs to be
banderolled.

8. All eggs raised in the Island shall be placed in boxes or other packets to be sealed with a banderolle at such time and in such manner as shall be prescribed by Rules to be made under this Law. Any person in possession of eggs between the 1st January and the 15th March, both days inclusive, or such other period as the High Commissioner in Council may prescribe, which are not in boxes duly banderolled in the prescribed manner shall be liable to a fine not less than two pounds or more than ten pounds, and all eggs in respect to which an offence shall have been committed shall be confiscated.

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