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# DISEASES OF ANIMALS

## Importation of Peat Moss Litter

ORDER, DATED 28TH JUNE 1971, MADE BY THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE UNDER SECTIONS 18 AND 53 OF THE DISEASES OF ANIMALS ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND) 1958.

The Ministry of Agriculture in exercise of the powers conferred on it by Sections 18 and 53 of the Diseases of Animals Act (Northern Ireland) 1958(a) and of every other power enabling it in that behalf hereby makes the following Order:—

*Citation and commencement*

**1.** This Order may be cited as the Importation of Peat Moss Litter Order (Northern Ireland) 1971 and shall come into operation on the 28th June 1971.

*Revocation*

**2.** The Peat Moss Litter (Prohibition) Order of 1931(b) is hereby revoked as from the date of commencement of this Order.

*Interpretation*

**3.** In this Order—

"litter" means peat moss which has been used for bedding or otherwise for or about animals or poultry.

*Restriction on importation*

**4.** Litter or peat moss which is intended for use as litter shall not be landed in Northern Ireland except in accordance with the conditions of a licence issued by the Ministry or an officer duly authorised by the Ministry.

*Licences*

**5.** The Ministry may revoke a licence at any time and may refuse to issue a licence to a person who has previously failed to comply with the provisions of the Order or the conditions of a licence.

*Offences*

**6.** Any person who brings or causes to be brought into Northern Ireland any litter or peat moss which is intended for use as litter in contravention of the provisions of this Order or fails to comply with the conditions of a licence issued in accordance with this Order shall be guilty of an offence against the Diseases of Animals Act (Northern Ireland) 1958.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Ministry of Agriculture for Northern Ireland this 28th day of June 1971.

(L.S.)

*J. Parke,*
Assistant Secretary.

(a) 1958. c. 13.

(b) S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1931, No. 48.