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MARKETING OF EGGS

RULES, DATED THE 15TH DAY OF JANUARY 1970, MADE BY THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE UNDER SECTION 21 OF THE MARKETING OF EGGS ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND) 1957.

The Ministry of Agriculture in exercise of the powers conferred on it by Section 21 of the Marketing of Eggs Act (Northern Ireland) 1957(a) and of every other power enabling it in that behalf hereby makes the following Rules:—

Citation and Commencement

1.—(1) These Rules may be cited as the Marketing of Eggs (Amendment No. 3) Rules (Northern Ireland) 1970.

(2) Rule 4 shall come into operation on the 1st day of February 1970.

(3) Rule 3 shall come into operation on the 1st day of November 1970.

Amendment to the 1966 Rules

2. The Marketing of Eggs Rules (Northern Ireland) 1966(b) as amended by the Marketing of Eggs (Amendment) Rules (Northern Ireland) 1968(c) and the Marketing of Eggs (Amendment No. 2) Rules (Northern Ireland) 1969(d) shall be further amended in accordance with these Rules.

3.—(1) To Rule 2 thereof there shall be added:—

" "'U' value" means a measure of thermal insulation being the heat in British Thermal Units which passes through one square foot of construction material in one hour when there is a difference of 1° Fahrenheit in air temperature between the two sides of the material."

(2) For paragraph 2 of Rule 11 thereof the following paragraph shall be substituted:—

"(2) In addition all premises owned or occupied by a licensed wholesale dealer of Class A shall:—

(*a*) have suitable covered access for vehicles for the intake and despatch of eggs;

(*b*) have an intake room and a despatch room or a combined intake and despatch room which, for the purpose of providing for the cool storage of eggs, shall

(i) be provided with adequate means of ventilation;

(ii) have artificial lighting only; and

(iii) have all wall or partition areas so constructed as to provide thermal insulation of a 'U' value not exceeding 0.50 and all roof or ceiling areas so constructed as to provide thermal insulation of a 'U' value not exceeding 0.20 provided that the Ministry may approve other means of providing cool storage which are deemed by it to be as effective as the foregoing insulation requirements.

(a) 1957. c. 27.
(b) S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1966, No. 150.
(c) S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1968, No. 280.
(d) S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1969, No. 259.

(*c*) have a room, separate from the intake and despatch room or rooms, which shall be used exclusively for the testing, grading and packing of eggs and which shall not be used for the storage of eggs;

(*d*) have all internal walls and floors of rooms used for the storage or handling of eggs finished with a smooth washable surface;

(*e*) be provided with a reliable supply of electricity and water and adequate drainage facilities; and

(*f*) be provided with suitable separate facilities and equipment for the use of the Ministry's Officers in carrying out quality tests."

4.—(1) For Form No. 1 in Schedule 2 to the said Rules shall be substituted the form in the Schedule hereto.

(2) For the words "twenty-one" in paragraph 3 of Form No. 5 in Schedule 2 to the said Rules shall be substituted the word "eighteen".

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Ministry of Agriculture for Northern Ireland this 15th day of January 1970.

(L.S.)

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