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# LIVESTOCK MARKETING COMMISSION

## Levies

REGULATIONS, DATED 25TH JULY 1969, MADE BY THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE UNDER SECTION 4(1) OF THE LIVESTOCK MARKETING COMMISSION ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND) 1967

The Ministry of Agriculture on the recommendation of the Livestock Marketing Commission in exercise of the powers conferred on it by Section 4(1) of the Livestock Marketing Commission Act (Northern Ireland) 1967(a) and of all other powers enabling it in that behalf hereby makes the following regulations:—

*Citation and Commencement*

**1.** These regulations may be cited as the Livestock Marketing Commission (Levy) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1969 and shall come into force on 18th August, 1969.

*Rates of levy*

**2.** The following persons, that is to say—

(*a*) the owner of any animal which is slaughtered; and

(*b*) the owner of any animal immediately before it is sent out of Northern Ireland;

shall pay to the Commission the following levy:—

(1) where the animal is bovine 5/- save that where such an animal is shipped live from ports in Northern Ireland direct to Great Britain the levy shall be 2/6;
(2) where the animal is a sheep 6d.;
(3) where the animal is a sow 2/6; and
(4) where the animal is a boar 1/6.

**3.** No person shall send livestock out of Northern Ireland unless any levy payable in respect of the livestock in accordance with the provisions of Regulation 2 has been paid.

**4.** The Ministry may prevent livestock from being sent out of Northern Ireland if any levy payable in respect of the livestock in accordance with the provisions of Regulation 2 has not been paid.

**5.** Unless authorised by the Ministry no person shall admit to a place of inspection approved under Article 3(i) of the Exportation of Animals (Northern Ireland) Order 1923(b) livestock for shipment out of Northern Ireland in respect of which any levy payable under Regulation 2 has not been paid.

**6.**—(1) No levy shall be payable under Regulation 2 in respect of any animal which is imported from the Republic of Ireland and which, within two days from the time at which it was imported, is sent out of Northern Ireland, provided that in exceptional circumstances the Ministry may, on request, extend the said period of two days.

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(a) 1967. c. 21 (N.I.). (b) S.R. & O. 1923, No. 1076.

(2) Permits issued under Article 13(2) of the Tuberculosis Control Order (Northern Ireland) 1964(**c**) or under Article 7(3) of the Sheep Dipping (Northern Ireland) Order 1956(**d**) or such other documents as the Ministry may from time to time determine shall be deemed to be evidence of the date of entry of the animal into Northern Ireland under paragraph (1).

**7.** No levy shall be payable under Regulation 2 in respect of any sows or boars which are purchased by the Pigs Marketing Board for Northern Ireland.

*Collection*

**8.**—(1) Where animals on which levies are payable are slaughtered in premises licensed by the Ministry under the Slaughter of Animals Acts (Northern Ireland) 1932 to 1965, then where the owner for the time being of those premises is not the owner of the animals on which levies are payable, the owner of the premises shall collect the levies on behalf of the Commission, in which case the Commission shall authorise that person in writing to collect the levies in respect of those animals on its behalf.

(2) Where the Commission gives an authorisation under paragraph (1) to any person, that person shall make returns to the Commission in the form prescribed in the Schedule.

(3) Where the owner of the premises in which the animals are slaughtered is also the owner of those animals then that person shall make returns to the Commission in the form prescribed in the Schedule.

**9.** Where the Commission gives an authorisation under Regulation 8(1), then the person so authorised shall keep records in such a manner to be approved by the Commission so as to enable individual payments of the levy to that person to be identified.

**10.** The following persons (that is to say):—

(*a*) officers commissioned by the Commissioners of Customs and Excise;

(*b*) officers of the Ministry;

(*c*) persons employed in connection with the supervision of, and admission of livestock to, places of inspection approved under Article 3(i) of the Exportation of Animals (Northern Ireland) Order 1923;

may:—

(1) stop and inspect livestock and vehicles carrying livestock;

(2) require the name and address of any person who has any livestock in his custody, charge or possession and require that name and address to be authenticated;

(3) require any person who has any livestock in his custody, charge or possession to state the name and address of the owner, if that person is not the owner of the livestock;

(4) require persons taking or sending out of Northern Ireland livestock in respect of which levy is payable under Regulation 2 to surrender evidence that the said levy has been paid in accordance with the provisions of Regulation 3;

(5) mark the evidence surrendered in accordance with sub-paragraph (4).

**11.** Any person required to make returns under these Regulations shall complete and furnish to the Commission copies of those returns at the end of the period to which they relate.

**12.** Where the owners of livestock are liable to pay levies either to the Commission or to a person authorised by the Commission to collect levies on its behalf then those levies shall be paid to the Ministry on behalf of the Commission.

(c) S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1964, No. 31. (d) S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1956, No. 81.