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MARKETING OF EGGS

RULES, DATED 19TH DAY OF DECEMBER 1968, 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. These Rules may be cited as the Marketing of Eggs (Amendment) Rules (Northern Ireland) 1968 and shall come into operation on 20th day of December 1968.

Amendment of the 1966 Rules

2. The Marketing of Eggs Rules (Northern Ireland) 1966(**b**) are hereby amended as follows:—

(1) *Grading of Eggs*

In Rule 21 thereof for the words "Eggs (Protection of Guarantees) Order 1958(**c**) there shall be substituted the words "Eggs (Protection of Guarantees) Order 1968"(**d**).

(2) For Rule 22 thereof the following Rule shall be substituted:—

"*Marking of Eggs*

22. A licensed wholesale dealer of Class A shall forthwith mark on the shell in a clear and indelible manner:—

(1) every hen egg which on being tested is found to be—

(*a*) a first quality egg, or a soiled egg otherwise of first quality, and which is less than $1\frac{1}{2}$ oz. in weight, or

(*b*) a cracked egg otherwise of first quality, or

(*c*) a second quality egg,

with such mark as the Board may from time to time direct; and

(2) every egg which on being tested is found to be a reject egg with the word "Reject" in letters not less than one-eighth of an inch in height, the word being contained in a circle of not less than three-quarters of an inch in diameter."

(3) *Completion of Identification Receipts*

In paragraph (1) of Rule 23 thereof for the words "which have been marked in accordance with the provisions of Rule 22" there shall be substituted the words "which have been tested, classified and graded in accordance with Rules 20 and 21".

(**a**) 1957. c. 27.
(**b**) S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1966, No. 150.
(**c**) S.I. 1958, No. 957.
(**d**) S.I. 1968, No. 1986.