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LIVESTOCK MARKETING COMMISSION

Levies

REGULATIONS, DATED 30TH NOVEMBER 1967, MADE BY THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE UNDER SECTION 4(1) OF THE LIVESTOCK MARKETING COMMISSION ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND) 1967(a).

The Ministry of Agriculture in exercise of the powers conferred on it by Section 4(1) of the Livestock Marketing Commission Act (Northern Ireland) 1967, 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) 1967 and shall come into force on the 11th December 1967.

Rate 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:—

(i) where the animal is bovine, five shillings;

(ii) where the animal is a sheep, sixpence;

(iii) where the animal is a sow, two shillings and sixpence; and

(iv) where the animal is a boar, one shilling and sixpence.

3.—(1) No levy shall be payable under paragraph 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.

(2) Permits issued under Paragraph 13(2) of the Tuberculosis Control Order (Northern Ireland) 1964(b) or under Article 7(3) of the Sheep Dipping (Northern Ireland) Order 1956(c) 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 sub-paragraph (1).

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

Collection

5.—(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

(a) 1967. c. 21 (N.I.).
(b) S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1964, No. 31.
(c) S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1956, No. 81.

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 sub-paragraph (1) to any person, that person shall make returns to the Commission in the form prescribed in the First 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 First Schedule.

6.—(1) Where animals on which levies are payable are being sent out of Northern Ireland otherwise than to the Republic of Ireland, then the owner of those premises in which the animals are detained and rested in accordance with the Exportation of Animals (Northern Ireland) Order 1923(a) shall collect the levies on behalf of the Commission, in which case the Commission shall authorise the owner of the premises to collect the levies in respect of those animals on its behalf.

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

7. Where the Commission gives an authorisation under paragraph 5(1) or paragraph 6(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.

8. Where animals on which levies are payable are exported from Northern Ireland to the Republic of Ireland, then the Commission may authorise in writing officers commissioned by the Commissioners of Customs and Excise to collect information regarding the owners of the animals in the form prescribed in the Third Schedule.

9. 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.

10.—(1) 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.

(2) The Commission may pay to the Ministry any reasonable costs incurred by the Ministry attributable to functions resulting from sub-paragraph (1).

11. The Commission may authorise the Ministry to collect the levies on its behalf and may authorise the Ministry to receive any returns to be made to the Commission and to examine any records to be kept by any person paying the levy or by any person collecting the levy on the Commission's behalf.

12. Where the Commission gives an authorisation under paragraph 5(1) or paragraph 6(1) or paragraph 8 it may pay to the person authorised any reasonable costs incurred in collecting the levy.

(a) S.R. & O. 1923, No. 1076.

Offences

13. Any person who contravenes these Regulations shall be guilty of an offence and shall be liable on summary conviction of that offence to a fine not exceeding fifty pounds or to a term of imprisonment not exceeding three months or to both such fine and term of imprisonment.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Ministry of Agriculture for Northern Ireland this 30th day of November 1967.

(L.S.) *(Signed)* *A. E. W. Steen,*
Assistant Secretary.

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FIRST SCHEDULE

LIVESTOCK MARKETING COMMISSION ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND) 1967
LIVESTOCK MARKETING COMMISSION (LEVY) REGULATIONS (NORTHERN IRELAND) 1967

Return relating to slaughterings in Northern Ireland

Animals slaughtered in the period .....

in the slaughterhouse situated at .....

and operated by .....

Type of Animal	No.	Rate per Head	£	s.	d.
Bovine . . .		5/-			
Sheep		6d.			
Sows		2/6			
Boars		1/6			
		TOTAL			

Signature of owner of plant or his representative .....

Date .....

NOTE:

The amount due should be remitted to the Ministry of Agriculture, Dundonald House, Belfast, BT4 3SB, accompanied by this statement.

Blank cheques or cash should not be sent to the Ministry under any circumstances. Cheques or Postal Orders should be made payable to the "Ministry of Agriculture" and crossed "& Co".