The Swine Fever (Northern Ireland), Order, 1956

1956. No. 140 [NC]

THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE FOR NORTHERN IRELAND BY VIRTUE AND IN EXERCISE OF THE POWERS VESTED IN IT UNDER THE DISEASES OF ANIMALS ACT, 1894(a), AS AMENDED AND ADAPTED BY ANY SUBSEQUENT ENACTMENTS, AND OF EVERY OTHER POWER ENABLING IT IN THAT BEHALF, ORDERS AND IT IS HEREBY ORDERED AS FOLLOWS:

Prohibition of Exposure for sale of Store Swine

1. With a view to the prevention of the Spread of Swine Fever in Northern Ireland the sale, or exposure for sale, of any store swine, fat sow, sow and litter or boar at any public sale held anywhere in Northern Ireland is hereby prohibited until further notice.

Offences

2. If any store swine, fat sow, sow and litter or boar is exposed for sale or sold at any public sale held anywhere in Northern Ireland in contravention of this Order the person holding the sale and the occupier of the place or premises where the sale is held and the owner or person in charge of each pig exposed thereat and the person conducting the sale and the purchaser thereat of any animal shall each according to, and in respect of, his or their own acts and defaults be guilty of an offence against the Act of 1894.

Interpretation

3. In this Order—

"Store Swine" means a pig deemed by an Inspector of the Ministry to be suitable for further feeding.

"Ministry" means Ministry of Agriculture for Northern Ireland.

"Act of 1894" means the Diseases of Animals Act, 1894.

"Inspector" means Inspector of the Ministry and includes Veterinary Inspector.

"Person" includes a body corporate.

"Public Sale" includes a market or fair and any Sale either by auction or otherwise which is open to the public, whether held in a public place or not and whether or not swine of different owners are exposed thereat.

"Swine Fever" has the same meaning as in the Swine Fever (Northern Ireland) Order, 1926(b).

Other terms have the same meaning as in the Diseases of Animals Acts, 1894 to 1955(c).

Commencement

4. This Order shall come into operation on the date hereof.

(a) 57 & 58 Vict. Ch. 57.
(b) S.R. & O. 1926, No. 95.
(c) *See* 1955, c.8 s.3(2).