THE PIGS MARKETING (NORTHERN IRELAND) (SPECIAL LEVY) (No. 3) AMENDMENT ORDER, 1937, DATED 30TH NOVEMBER, 1937, MADE BY THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE UNDER SECTION 7 (3) OF THE AGRICULTURAL MARKETING ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1933.

1937. No. 123.

The Ministry of Agriculture for Northern Ireland by virtue and in exercise of the powers conferred upon it by sub-section (3) of Section Seven of the Agricultural Marketing Act (Northern Ireland), 1933, and of every other power enabling it in that behalf orders, and it is hereby ordered as follows :—

Amendment of Article 1 *of the Pigs Marketing* (*Northern Ireland*) (*Special Levy*) (*No.* 3) *Order*, 1937.

1. Article 1 of the Pigs Marketing (Northern Ireland) (Special Levy) (No. 3) Order, 1937, shall be read and have effect as if the following were substituted therefor :—

> The Board shall, during the period 15th November, 1937, to 30th November, 1937, inclusive, for the purpose of meeting the said uncovered portion of the total loss impose a special levy of two shillings per pig upon all producers in the case of all sales of pigs by them to a curer or to the Board.

2. This Order may be cited as the Pigs Marketing (Northern Ireland) (Special Levy) (No. 3) Amendment Order, 1937, and shall come into force on the 30th day of November, 1937.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Ministry of Agriculture for Northern Ireland, this thirtieth day of November, nineteen hundred and thirty-seven, in the presence of

(L.S.) *D. A. E. Harkness*,
Assistant Secretary.

AGRICULTURAL PRODUCE (MEAT REGULATION).

Rules.

THE AGRICULTURAL PRODUCE (MEAT REGULATION) RULES (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1937, DATED 17TH DAY OF APRIL, 1937.

1937. No. 32.

The Ministry of Agriculture by virtue and in exercise of the powers for this purpose vested in it by the Agricultural Produce (Meat Regulation) Act (Northern Ireland), 1930, and of every other power in that behalf enabling it, hereby makes the Rules following, that is to say :—

I. *Short Title.*

These Rules shall be known as the "Agricultural Produce (Meat Regulation) Rules (Northern Ireland), 1937."

II. *Definitions.*

1. The expression "Ministry" shall mean the Ministry of Agriculture, Northern Ireland.

2. "Authorised" shall mean authorised by the Ministry of Agriculture, Northern Ireland.

III. *Fresh Meat.*

(1) *Application for a fresh meat licence.*

Application for a fresh meat licence shall be made in the form or to the effect stated in the First Schedule to these Rules.

A fresh meat licence shall be in the form or to the effect stated in the Second Schedule to these Rules and shall apply to meat sent from the registered premises indicated on such licence.

(2) *Requirements to be observed in connection with the sending of fresh meat to Great Britain the Irish Free State or the Isle of Man.*

Meat to be sent from Northern Ireland under authority of a fresh meat licence must be from animals which have been inspected by a Veterinary Inspector both before and after slaughter and the requirements laid down in the Third Schedule to these Rules shall apply.

(3) *Register of Premises.*

(i) The Register to be kept by the Ministry of premises to be used for the slaughter of animals in connection with the sending of fresh meat from Northern Ireland to Great Britain, the Irish Free State, or the Isle of Man, shall contain the name and full postal address of the proprietor of such premises, the full postal address of the premises and the names and addresses of holders of fresh meat licences using the premises.

(ii) The Ministry of Agriculture may refuse to register any premises to be used for the slaughter of animals in connection with the sending of meat from Northern Ireland to Great Britain, the Irish Free State, or the Isle of Man, unless the Ministry is satisfied that not less than 500 animals will be dealt with annually on such premises.

(iii) Application for the registration of premises shall be made in the form or to the effect stated in the Fourth Schedule to these Rules.

(4) *Certificate of Veterinary Inspection.*

The certificate of veterinary inspection to accompany consignments of fresh meat sent out of Northern Ireland shall be

in the form or to the effect set forth in the Fifth Schedule to these Rules.

IV. *Meat from Bacon Curing Establishments.*

(1) *Application for a Bacon Curer's Licence.*

Application for a bacon curer's licence shall be made in the form or to the effect stated in the Sixth Schedule to these Rules.

A bacon curer's licence shall be in the form or to the effect stated in the Seventh Schedule to these Rules.

(2) *Licence to carry on the business of curing bacon and hams.*

Application for a licence to carry on the business of curing bacon and hams shall be made in the form or to the effect stated in the Sixth Schedule to these Rules.

A licence to carry on the business of curing bacon and hams shall be in the form or to the effect stated in the Eighth Schedule (A or B) to these Rules.

(3) *Prescribed conditions of licences to cure bacon and hams.*

Roll and Ham Curing.

All carcases dealt with by the licensee shall be examined by a Veterinary Inspector before being submitted to the process of curing.

Wiltshire Curing.

All pigs dealt with by the licensee shall receive ante and post mortem examination by a Veterinary Inspector before being submitted to the process of curing provided that in special cases temporary exemption from the requirement may be given by the Ministry.

Each licence shall be limited to the type of curing (Wiltshire or roll and ham or both) endorsed thereon.

A licence to carry on the business of curing bacon and hams shall only apply to the premises indicated in such licence.

All premises on which the business of curing bacon and hams is carried on must be approved by the Ministry.

(4) *Requirements to be observed in connection with the sending of meat from Bacon Curing Establishments to Great Britain, the Irish Free State or the Isle of Man.*

(*a*) Meat to be sent from Northern Ireland under the authority of a bacon curer's licence must have been inspected and certified by a Veterinary Inspector and the requirements laid down in either the Third or the Ninth Schedule to the Rules as the case may be shall apply.

(*b*) Consignments of bacon or hams prepared and despatched by licensed bacon curers from Northern Ireland under the authority of a bacon curer's licence shall be marked with the licence number of the sender. Such indication may be given by the use of a

certificate in the form or to the effect set forth in the Fifth Schedule to these Rules.

(5) *Certificate of Veterinary Inspection in the case of consignments of offals from Bacon Curing Establishments.*

The certificate of veterinary inspection to accompany consignments of offals sent out of Northern Ireland from bacon curing establishments shall be in the form or to the effect set forth in the Fifth Schedule to these Rules.

(6) *Deduction from price of carcase to cover expenses and risk of condemnation under Act.*

Where the carcase of a pig is bought by or on behalf of a licensed bacon curer the buyer may deduct from the price of the carcase the sum of four pence, so as to defray the expenses of the buyer, and to ensure the buyer against loss in the event of the carcase being certified as unfit for human consumption.

V. *Packing of Meat.*

All packages, including wrappers, cases, containers, casks, crates or other receptacles containing meat to which the Act applies shall be—

(1) thoroughly clean, and packages which have contained chloride of lime or other substance likely to contaminate the contents shall not be used ;
(2) of sufficient strength to stand handling in transit.

VI. *Packing of Dead Poultry.*

All packages, including wrappers, cases, containers, casks, crates or other receptacles containing dead poultry to be sent out of Northern Ireland to Great Britain, the Irish Free State or the Isle of Man, shall be (1) thoroughly clean, and packages which have contained any substance likely to contaminate the contents shall not be used ; and (2) so packed as to ensure that the packages shall contain no diseased, emaciated or unsound poultry carcases.

VII. *General.*

(1) *Payment of fees for examination of meat.*

A person who holds a licence shall, for the examination of meat thereunder pay monthly on demand to the Ministry the statutory fees.

(2) *Consignments of meat or offals to which the provisions of the Act shall not apply.*

The provisions of the Act shall not apply to meat or offals exported in one lot or consignment which does not exceed in total gross weight twenty-eight pounds.

(3) *The further application of the provisions of the Act to meat consigned to the Irish Free State.*

(*a*) The provisions of the Act shall apply to meat sent to the Irish Free State in the following cases :—

(i) Beef or veal in one lot or consignment and which exceeds in total gross weight seven hundredweights and includes more than one carcase, and mutton or lamb, which exceeds in total gross weight one and one-half hundredweights and includes more than two carcases, or

(ii) Carcases of pork in one lot or consignment and which exceed in total gross weight two tons and of which more than eight carcases belong to one person.

(iii) Offals which exceed in total gross weight twenty-eight pounds.

(*b*) The provisions of the Act shall not apply to pork carcases exported and consigned to a bacon curer in the Irish Free State recognised by the Ministry for the purpose.

VIII. *Revocations.*

The Agricultural Produce (Meat Regulation) Rules (Northern Ireland), 1931.

The Agricultural Produce (Meat Regulation) Rules (Northern Ireland) No. 2, 1931.

The Agricultural Produce (Meat Regulation) Rules (Northern Ireland), 1934.

The Agricultural Produce (Meat Regulation) Rules (Northern Ireland), 1936.

are hereby revoked as on and from the commencement of these Rules.

IX. *Commencement.*

These Rules shall come into operation on the 1st day of May, 1937.

In Witness whereof the official seal of the Ministry of Agriculture has hereunto been affixed this seventeenth day of April, nineteen hundred and thirty-seven.

(L.S.) (Signed), *G. S. Robertson,*
Secretary.