

SECOND SCHEDULE.

(Section 27).

THE RABIES REGULATIONS.

1. These Regulations may be cited as the

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2. (1) Every person having in his possession or under his charge any animal affected with, or suspected of being affected with, rabies or the carcass of an animal so affected or suspected shall with all practicable speed give notice of the animal being or having been so affected or suspected to the constable in charge of the nearest police station.

- (2) Every Veterinary Officer or inspector who upon examining any animal or the carcass of any animal is of opinion or suspects

that such animal is or was when it died or was slaughtered affected with rabies shall with all practicable speed give notice of the affection or suspicion of affection to the constable in charge of the nearest police station.

(3) Every such constable upon receiving any such notice shall —

(a) forthwith transmit the information either to the Superintendent of Agriculture or to an inspector; and

(b) as soon as may be practicable thereafter confirm in writing to the Superintendent of Agriculture the transmission of such information.

(4) Where any constable suspects by reason of the appearance or behaviour of any animal (the ownership of which cannot be immediately established) that such animal is or was at the time when it died or was slaughtered affected with rabies shall act in accordance with the provisions of paragraph (3) of this regulation in the same way as if notice had been given to him by the person having such animal in his possession or under his charge.

3. (1) Every person having in his possession or under his charge a dog or cat or any carcass thereof affected with or suspected of being affected with rabies shall forthwith detain and isolate in a kennel, shed or other building —

(a) the dog or cat or carcass thereof so affected or suspected;

(b) any other dog or cat or other animal which has been in contact with any such affected or suspected dog or cat,

until any Isolation Notice served on him under paragraph (2) (a) or (2) (b) of this regulation has been withdrawn.

(2) An inspector having reasonable ground to suspect the existence of rabies shall forthwith make a report thereof to the Superintendent of Agriculture (if this has not already been done by the constable in charge of the police station) and shall proceed with all practicable speed to the place where such disease exists or is suspected to exist and shall forthwith serve on the owner or person in charge of any dog or cat or carcass thereof affected with, or suspected of being affected with, rabies —

(a) an Isolation Notice in the Form 1 in regulation 14 of these regulations; and

(b) in any case in which any other dog or cat or any other animal has been in contact with such dog or cat or any carcass thereof, an Isolation Notice in one or other of the Forms 2, 3 or 4 in regulation 14 of these regulations, as the case may be.

(3) A notice under this regulation shall remain in force until it is withdrawn by a further notice in writing signed by the inspector in the Form 5 in regulation 14 of these regulations.

(4) For the purposes of this regulation a dog or cat shall be deemed to have been in contact with another dog or cat or with the carcass thereof if it has, in the opinion of the inspector, in any manner been exposed to the risk of infection.

4. (1) Where information is received by an inspector of the existence or suspected existence of rabies in any animal or carcass he or some other inspector under the law shall, with a view to ascertaining the correctness of such information, forthwith examine the animal or carcass.

(2) An inspector shall perform a *post mortem* examination on the carcass of every animal which he has reason to suspect was, at the time when it died or was slaughtered, affected with or suspected of being affected with, rabies and unless the inspector is satisfied as a result of his inquiry that the animal was not so affected when it so died or was slaughtered, he shall forthwith forward to the Veterinary Officer such information and material in such manner as may be required by the Veterinary Officer who shall cause an examination thereof to be made and a certificate of the result of such examination to be given.

(3) The result of an examination under paragraph (2) of this regulation shall be communicated to the constable in charge of the nearest police station and to the owner or person in charge of the carcass.

5. The constable in charge of the nearest police station shall cause to be slaughtered every dog and cat which is affected with, or is suspected of being affected with, rabies or which is shown to the satisfaction of an inspector to have been bitten by a dog or cat so affected or suspected of being affected.

6. (1) Where the owner or other person in charge of any dog or cat fails to comply with the terms of any notice under paragraph (2) of regulation 3 of these regulations, an inspector may seize the animal and thereupon the Superintendent of Agriculture shall detain and isolate it at such place as he may direct at the expense of the owner or other person in charge of the animal.

(2) Where any animal has been detained and isolated by the Superintendent of Agriculture in accordance with the provisions of paragraph (1) of this regulation, the owner or other person in charge of the animal shall, within fourteen days after demand in writing by the Superintendent of Agriculture has been made requiring him to take charge of the animal and to pay the expenses of detaining and isolating such animal, pay such expenses and remove such animal.

(3) Where the owner or person in charge of an animal falls to comply with the provisions of paragraph (2) of this regulation, the Superintendent of Agriculture may destroy or otherwise dispose of the animal and may institute proceedings for the recovery of all expenses incurred by him.

7. (1) Subject to the provisions of regulation 4 of these regulations (providing for the *post mortem* examination of the carcass of a diseased or suspected animal) the carcass of an animal which at the time of its death was affected with or was suspected of being affected with, rabies shall be disposed of by the constable in charge of the nearest police station by one or other of the following methods—

(a) the carcass shall be buried in its skin in some proper place at a depth of not less than six feet below the surface of the ground and such carcass shall be covered with quicklime; or

(b) the carcass shall be burnt; or

(c) the carcass shall be disinfected and shall be taken to a horse slaughterer's or knacker's yard or other suitable place and shall there be destroyed by exposure to a high temperature or by chemical agents.

(2) Where a carcass is buried in accordance with paragraph (1) (a) of this regulation the skin shall, prior to burial, be so slashed with a knife as to render such skin useless.

8. Every kennel, shed, building, pen, sty or other enclosure, and any litter, bedding, feeding or drinking utensil or any hurdle or sleeping basket or any other thing used by, or which has been in contact with, a diseased or suspected dog or cat either before or after its death shall be disinfected by the owner or other person in charge thereof in such manner as an inspector may direct.

9. No person, except with the written permission of an inspector, shall dig up or cause to be dug up the carcass of any animal which has been buried.

10. (1) Every person having in his possession or under his charge any dog of the age of four months and over shall submit to the Veterinary Officer particulars relating to any such dog in the Form 6 in regulation 14 of these regulations.

(2) The Superintendent of Agriculture shall cause to be kept at his office a register in the Form 7 in regulation 14 of these regulations in which shall be entered particulars of all registered dogs.

(3) On receiving such particulars the Veterinary Officer shall, in relation to every dog required to be registered, make or cause to be made an entry of such particulars in the register required by the

preceding paragraph of this regulation to be kept, and upon payment of the prescribed fee of 60 cents shall issue a certificate in the Form 8 in the said regulation 14 and a registration disc or tag to be borne by every registered dog.

11. It shall be lawful for the Veterinary Officer to vaccinate any dog wheresoever the same may be found which in his opinion is of the age of four months or over.

12. (1) It shall be lawful for the Veterinary Officer or any agent duly authorized by him in writing to seize any dog found in a public place without a registration disc or tag. It shall also be lawful for the Veterinary Officer in his discretion to authorize the detention of any such dog and to destroy any such dog if unclaimed after a period of three days at places of detention in each parish as may be notified by the Veterinary Officer by notice published in the *Gazette*.

(2) It shall also be lawful for the Veterinary Officer or for his duly authorized agent to destroy immediately any feral dog or any dog from whose condition it is evident that it is not receiving adequate care and is likely therefore to become a public nuisance.

13. The Veterinary Officer or any inspector may enter at all reasonable times upon any land for the purpose of laying mongoose traps, and for the trapping and destruction of mongooses.

14. The following Forms shall be used for the purposes of these Regulations.

FORM 1.

Notice to Owner or Person in Charge of any Dog or Cat Affected with or Suspected of being Affected with Rabies.

To

(Name of Owner or Person in Charge)

I, _____ being an inspector appointed under the Animals (Diseases and Importation) Ordinance, hereby require the undermentioned animal, namely _____ of which you are the owner or which is in your charge, to be detained and isolated in accordance with the provisions of this Notice at

The above-mentioned animal shall be detained at such place until this Notice is withdrawn by a notice in writing signed by an inspector under the Ordinance. During that period the animal shall not be permitted to come in contact with any other animal.

Dated this _____ day of _____ 19 _____

(Signature)
(Title of Office)

FORM 2.

*Notice to Owner or Person in Charge of a Dog or other Canine
Animal or Cat Exposed to Infection of Rabies.*

To (Owner or Person in Charge and Address)

I, (Name of inspector) being an inspector appointed under the Animals (Diseases and Importation) Ordinance hereby require the undermentioned animal, namely of which you are the owner or person in charge, to be detained and isolated in accordance with the provisions of this Notice at

The above-mentioned animal shall be moved to the said place of detention within twenty-four hours after service of this Notice and shall, if moved by railway or along a highway or thoroughfare, be confined in a suitable hamper, or crate, box or other receptacle and be muzzled with a wire cage muzzle.

The said animal shall be detained at the said place of detention until the Notice is withdrawn by a subsequent notice in writing signed by an inspector under the Ordinance, and during that period shall not be permitted to come into contact with any other animal.

If the said animal should die or be lost during that period the death or loss shall forthwith be reported by the person then in charge of the animal to the Superintendent of Agriculture.

This Notice must be produced by the person in charge of the animal at any time on demand for inspection by an inspector.

Dated this _____ day of _____ 19

(Signature)

(Title of Office)

FORM 3.

*Notice to Owner or Person in Charge Requiring Isolation of
Ruminating Animals or Pigs.*

To (Name of Owner or Person in Charge)

I, (Name of Inspector) being an inspector appointed under the Animals (Diseases and Importation) Ordinance hereby require the undermentioned animal, namely

of which you are the owner or which is in your charge to be kept at (description of farm, or field, shed, building, etc.)

and I hereby require you to take notice that, in consequence of this Notice and the provisions of the Rabies Regulations, it is unlawful for any person, until this Notice is withdrawn by a notice in writing by an inspector, to move from or out of such place of detention any animal to which this Notice applies, except with permission in writing from an inspector under the Ordinance.

Dated this _____ day of _____ 19

(Signature)

(Title of Office)

N.B.—An animal to which this Notice applies may at any time be slaughtered by the owner.

FORM 4.

*Notice to Owner or Person in Charge Requiring Isolation of
Horses, Asses or Mules.*

To
(Name of Owner or Person in Charge)

I, (Name of Inspector) being an inspector appointed under the Animals (Diseases and Importation) Ordinance hereby require the undermentioned animal, namely, _____ of which you are the owner or which is in your charge to be kept at _____

and I hereby require you to take notice that in consequence of this Notice and the provisions of the Rabies Regulations, it is unlawful for any person, until this Notice is withdrawn by permission in writing of an inspector, to move from or out of such place of detention any animal to which this Notice applies, except with permission in writing from an inspector and subject to the condition that the animal shall not be absent from the premises specified in the Notice for a period of more than eighteen hours.

Dated this _____ day of _____ 19 _____

(Signature)
(Title of Office)

N.B.—An animal to which this Notice applies may at any time be slaughtered by the owner.

FORM 5.

Withdrawal Notice.

To
(Name of Owner or Person in Charge)

I, (Name of Inspector) being an inspector appointed under the Animals (Diseases and Importation) Ordinance, do hereby withdraw as from the _____ day of _____ 19 _____ the Notice relating to premises in your occupation _____ at _____ dated the _____ day of _____ 19 _____ signed by _____ and served upon you on the _____ day of _____ 19 _____

Dated this _____ day of _____ 19 _____

(Signature)
(Title of Office)

FORM 6.

Form of Particulars.

Name of Owner.....
Address.....
Age of Dog.....
Breed and Description of Dog.....

Sex of Dog.....
 Date of Dog's Vaccination.....

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Signature of Owner.

FORM 7.

Form of Register.

No.	Name of Owner	Address	Age of Dog	Breed and Description of Dog	Sex of Dog	Date of Dog's Vaccination

FORM 8.

Form of Certificate.

The (*description*) dog owned by.....of
and entered as No. in the Register of
 Dogs kept by me has been examined by me in the presence of its
 owner or his agent and has this day of
 19 been vaccinated against Rabies.

This dog must be made available for re-vaccination
 in.....

Fees of \$..... paid.

GRENADE.

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Superintendent of Agriculture.