

Island of



Guernsey

Ordinance of the States. **XVI**

1951

Made 10th October, 1951.

Coming into operation .. 1st November, 1951.

The Poultry Carcasses Importation Ordinance, 1951.

THE STATES, on the representations of the States Committee for Agriculture and Fisheries, hereby order—

1. In this Ordinance, unless the context otherwise requires, the following expressions shall have the meanings hereby respectively assigned to them:—

“poultry” means domestic fowls, turkeys, geese, ducks, guinea fowls, pheasants, and partridges;

“carcase” means the carcase of any domestic fowl, turkey, goose, duck, guinea fowl, pheasant or partridge and includes part of a carcase;

“Committee” means the States Committee for Agriculture and Fisheries;

“eviscerated carcase” means a carcase which has been fully plucked and from which the head, legs at not more than one inch below the hock joints, crop (except in the case of a goose whose crop shall have been emptied), and all edible and

inedible offal (including lungs, spleen, kidneys, etc.) have been removed ;

“ fully cooked ” when used in connection with a carcase means cooked throughout the whole of its substance so as to render it unnecessary for it to be further cooked before being used for human consumption ;

“ importer ” includes any person who, whether as owner, consignor, or consignee, agent or broker, is in possession of or in any way entitled to the custody or control of the carcase imported ;

“ this Island ” means the Islands of Guernsey, Herm and Jethou.

2. The importation into this Island of a carcase is hereby prohibited, except:—

- (a) a carcase which has been fully cooked ;
- (b) a carcase imported directly into this Island from any country specified in Part I of the Schedule to this Ordinance ;
- (c) a carcase imported directly into this Island from and originating in any country specified in Part II of the Schedule to this Ordinance :

PROVIDED that a carcase to which paragraph (c) of this section applies shall not be imported into this Island unless it is accompanied by a certificate, which shall be delivered to the States Supervisor, signed by a duly authorised officer of the government of the country from which the carcase was imported, to the effect that it is the carcase of a bird hatched, reared and slaughtered in that country ;

- (d) an eviscerated carcase imported directly into this Island from and originating in France :

PROVIDED that such an eviscerated carcase shall not be imported into this Island unless it

is accompanied by a certificate, which shall be delivered to the States Supervisor, signed by a veterinary officer of the French Ministry of Agriculture, to the effect that the carcase is from poultry which, for a period of eight weeks prior to importation has been kept in an establishment free from fowl pest and situate during that period not less than twenty kilometres from any outbreak of fowl pest ; or

(e) feathers.

3. Notwithstanding the provisions of the preceding section the Committee may at any time in their discretion by Order prohibit, restrict or impose conditions on the importation into this Island of a carcase imported directly into this Island from any of the countries specified in Part I of the Schedule hereto, or from the Islands of Herm or Jethou into the Island of Guernsey, and may from time to time revoke or vary the terms of such Order.

4. (1) A person contravening any of the provisions of this Ordinance shall be guilty of an offence and liable on conviction to a fine not exceeding one hundred pounds, and the Court may, in addition thereto, order the destruction or other disposal of the carcase to which the conviction relates at the expense of the convicted person.

(2) The States Supervisor, in agreement with the President of the Committee, may order—

(a) in respect of a carcase or eviscerated carcase imported into this Island, the presence of which in his opinion constitutes an immediate danger to the poultry industry of this Island—

(i) that it be destroyed ; or

(ii) that it be treated in such manner as he may direct and thereafter delivered to the importer ;

(b) in respect of any carcase or eviscerated carcase imported into this Island, for which a certificate required by or under this Ordinance has not been provided, that it be examined by a person appointed by him and thereafter;

(i) that it be forthwith delivered to the importer ; or

(ii) that it be forthwith returned to the sender ; or

(iii) that it be treated in such manner as he may direct and thereafter that either of the courses indicated in the two last preceding sub-paragraphs be adopted ; or

(iv) that it be detained until the said certificates have been provided.

(3) The charges for or in connection with any action taken under this section shall be recoverable as a civil debt from the importer of the carcase concerned.

5. Article two of the Ordonnance supplémentaire à l'Ordonnance relative à la maladie dite " The Foot and Mouth Disease " of the 21st day of January, 1924, is hereby repealed.

6. This Ordinance shall come into force on the 1st day of November, 1951.

SCHEDULE

Part I

United Kingdom	Republic of Ireland
Isle of Man	Australia
Island of Jersey	New Zealand
Island of Alderney	Canada
Island of Sark	Southern Rhodesia.

Part II.

Sweden	Denmark
Norway	Holland.

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