

Island of  Guernsey

Ordinance of the States. **V**

1953

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The Psittacosis Ordinance, 1953

THE STATES LEGISLATION COMMITTEE, under and by virtue of the powers conferred on them by paragraph (3) of Article sixty-six of the Reform (Guernsey) Law, 1948, and on the representations of the States Board of Health, hereby order:—

1. In this Ordinance the following expressions shall have the meanings hereby respectively assigned to them—

“importer” includes every person who, whether as owner, consignor, consignee or agent, has possession, custody or control of a parrot imported, brought to or landed in this Island;

“parrot” includes any bird of the family of Psittacidæ;

“vessel” includes aircraft.

2. (1) A person shall not import or attempt to import a parrot into this Island.

(2) Any person who shall import or attempt to import a parrot shall be liable on conviction to a fine not exceeding ten pounds.

3. (1) A parrot imported into this Island in contravention of the provisions of this Ordinance shall be impounded by the Island Police and kept in such custody as the States Supervisor, on the advice of the Medical Officer of Health, shall direct.

(2) The States Supervisor shall, on such an impounding as aforesaid, require the importer of the parrot, within three days of receipt of such requirement to inform him of a destination, outside the Bailiwick of Guernsey, to which the parrot is to be exported, and to furnish him, within the like period, with the moneys necessary for such export. On compliance with such requirement, the States Supervisor shall cause the parrot to be exported accordingly; otherwise he shall cause it to be destroyed.

4. The Master or other person in charge of a vessel coming to this Island shall, if he has reason to believe that there is a parrot on board that vessel which is intended to be landed in this Island, on the arrival of the vessel report the presence or suspected presence of the parrot to the Harbour Master or Airport Commandant, as the case may be, whereupon the latter shall inform the States Supervisor and the Medical Officer of Health.

5. A person shall not transport or expose to view a parrot in any street, public place or place to which the public have access, unless it is properly caged or otherwise contained in a receptacle from which it cannot escape.

6. Any person contravening any of the provisions of either of the last two preceding sections shall be guilty of an offence and liable, on conviction, to a fine not exceeding ten pounds.

7. In this Ordinance the expression "this Island" includes the Islands of Herm and Jethou.

8. This Ordinance shall come into force on the 20th day of January, 1953.

JAMES E. LE PAGE,
Her Majesty's Greffier.