

Island of Guernsey

Ordinance of the States **IX**

1965

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The Shellfish (Import) Ordinance, 1965

THE STATES, in pursuance of their Resolution of the twenty-eighth day of October, nineteen hundred and sixty-four, and on the representations of the States Board of Health, hereby order:—

1. Subject to the succeeding provisions of this Ordinance, a person shall not import or attempt to import shellfish into this Island from France. Prohibition of importation of shellfish.

2. (1) A person may import oysters into this Island from France if on the exterior of each separate package or consignment of such oysters there is affixed a duly completed label in a form approved by the States Board of Health (hereinafter referred to as "the Board") and containing such particulars as may be approved by the Board. Importation of oysters from France.

(2) Every package or consignment of oysters imported into, or transhipped in, this Island from France shall, as soon as may be after its arrival therein, be detained at such place as the States

Supervisor may from time to time direct, and shall there be inspected by a States Customs Officer who shall forthwith report to the States Supervisor if such package or consignment has not affixed to it a label as required by the provisions of the last preceding subsection.

(3) The States Supervisor shall, if the President of the Board thinks it necessary or expedient, order that any package or consignment of oysters which has been reported to him in accordance with the provisions of the last preceding subsection shall be destroyed if it is not exported from the Island within such period as he shall prescribe and any such package or consignment which is to be exported from the Island shall be retained in such place and manner as the States Supervisor shall prescribe until it is exported.

(4) The charges for and in connection with any action taken under this section shall be recoverable by the States as a civil debt from the importer of the oysters concerned.

Offences.

3. Any person who contravenes any of the provisions of this Ordinance or who wilfully obstructs a States Customs Officer acting in exercise of his powers under section two of this Ordinance or who takes away any package or consignment of oysters imported from France before it has been inspected in pursuance of the provisions of section two of this Ordinance or which is retained under the provisions of subsection (3) of the said section two shall be guilty of an offence and liable, on conviction, to a fine not exceeding one hundred pounds and the Court may, in addition, order the destruction or other disposal of the package or consignment of oysters to which the conviction relates at the expense of that person.

4. In this Ordinance, except where the context otherwise requires, the following expressions shall have the meanings hereby respectively assigned to them, that is to say:—

Interpretation.

“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 shellfish concerned;

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

5. The Shellfish (Import) Ordinance, 1953(a), and the Shellfish (Import) (Amendment) Ordinance, 1958(b), are hereby repealed. Repeals.

6. This Ordinance may be cited as the Shellfish (Import) Ordinance, 1965. Citation.

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(a) Recueil d'Ordonnances, Tome X, p. 354.

(b) Recueil d'Ordonnances, Tome XII, p. 1.