1962. No. 72 **[NC]**

DISEASES OF ANIMALS

Boiling of Animal Food

ORDER, DATED 6TH APRIL, 1962, MADE BY THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE UNDER THE DISEASES OF ANIMALS ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1958(a).

The Ministry of Agriculture in exercise of the powers conferred on it by Sections 5 and 53 of the Diseases of Animals Act (Northern Ireland), 1958, and of every other power enabling it in that behalf, hereby makes the following Order:

Citation and commencement

1. This Order may be cited as the Diseases of Animals (Boiling of Animal Food) Order (Northern Ireland), 1962, and shall come into operation on 1st September, 1962.

Revocations

2. The Boiling of Imported Animal Food (Northern Ireland) Order of 1927(b), and the Boiling of Animal Food (Northern Ireland) Order of 1942(c), are hereby revoked.

Interpretation

3. For the purposes of this Order—

"animals" means cattle, sheep, goats and all other ruminating animals and swine;

"boiled" means exposed for at least one hour to a temperature of not less than 212°F., and the words "boiling" and "unboiled" shall be construed accordingly;

"poultry" means birds of the following kinds, that is to say, domestic fowls, turkeys, geese, ducks, guinea-fowls and domestic pigeons; and pheasants kept in captivity;

"waste foods" means—

(*a*) any meat, bones, offal or other part of the carcase of any animal or of any poultry;

(*b*) any broken or waste foodstuffs (including table or kitchen refuse, scraps or waste) which may contain or might have been in contact with any meat, bones or offal or with any other part of the carcase of any animal or poultry;

"unboiled waste food" includes boiled waste food which, after boiling, has not been kept separate from unboiled waste food.

Sale of swine fed on waste foods

4. A person shall not sell, or dispose of, or permit to be sold or disposed of otherwise than for immediate slaughter any swine which have been kept on premises—

(*a*) in respect of which a licence has been granted under this Order, or

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(a) 1958, c. 13.
(b) S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1927, No. 84.
(c) S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1942, No. 34.

(*b*) to which waste foods have been delivered during the time when the swine were on those premises.

Prohibition of use of unboiled waste foods for feeding

5. A person shall not use for feeding to animals or poultry—

(*a*) any unboiled waste foods which have been obtained elsewhere than on the premises where the feeding takes place, or

(*b*) any boiled waste foods unless, where the provisions of the next succeeding Article require it, boiling has been carried out with plant and equipment operated in accordance with the conditions of a licence granted by the Ministry or by an officer of the Ministry and in force under this Order.

Regulation of waste foods used or distributed by collectors

6.—(1) Where any person collecting or receiving waste foods from the premises of other persons, or from any vessel, has brought or caused to be brought together at any place any unboiled waste foods for the purpose of there feeding them to animals or poultry, or processing or redistributing them for use for feeding to animals or poultry, such waste foods shall be boiled and the following provisions of this Article shall apply as respects the boiling there of the unboiled waste foods and their movement from that place.

(2) Except as hereafter provided, any such waste foods boiled at such place shall be boiled by means of plant and equipment operated in accordance with the conditions of a licence in force under this Order.

(3) It shall be unlawful to move the waste foods or to permit them to be moved from such place unless they have been boiled:

Provided that unboiled waste foods may be moved from such place without being boiled if no animals or poultry are at any time kept there and the waste foods are moved by, or by the servants of, a person holding a licence in force under this Order in respect of any plant and equipment directly to the premises at which the plant and equipment are operated.

Licences

7.—(1) Where by this Order a licence is required in respect of plant and equipment at any place, it shall be granted to the person responsible for the operation of the plant and equipment by the Ministry, or by an officer of the Ministry, only if satisfied that the plant and equipment are adequate to ensure that the waste foods can be boiled in accordance with the requirements of this Order and that all reasonable arrangements have been made to prevent (*a*) the contamination of any waste foods that have been boiled by any unboiled waste foods, and (*b*) access to unboiled waste foods by animals or by poultry.

(2) A licence granted under this Article may contain such conditions as the Ministry thinks fit for the purpose of preventing the spread of disease and may be revoked at any time by notice in writing delivered or posted to the licensee.

Unboiled waste foods to be kept apart from boiled foods, animals and poultry

8. No person having the charge or control of any unboiled waste foods shall permit them to come into contact with waste foods that have been boiled already, or allow animals or poultry to have access to them, but no person shall be guilty of an offence under the Diseases of Animals Act, 1958, in respect of any contravention of this Article if he proves to the satisfaction

of the Court that he took all reasonable steps to prevent the unboiled waste foods from coming into contact with the boiled waste foods and from being accessible to animals or poultry.

Precautions to be adopted in connection with the carriage of waste foods

9.—(1) It shall be unlawful to use any bin or other container or any vehicle for the carriage of (*a*) animals or poultry, (*b*) feeding stuffs for animals or poultry (other than unboiled waste foods), or (*c*) any other thing intended to be used for or in connection with animals or poultry, if such bin or other container, or such vehicle, has on any occasion been used for the carriage of unboiled waste foods or if such vehicle has carried any bin or other container which has been so used unless as soon as practicable after each occasion of such use, and before being again used, the bin or other container, or the vehicle as the case may be, has been thoroughly disinfected by washing the bin or other container, or the floor, roof and sides of the inside of the vehicle, either with disinfectant which is an approved disinfectant for the purposes of the Animals Disinfection (Northern Ireland) Order, 1927(**a**), as amended, or with a solution prepared by dissolving sodium carbonate (washing soda) in water in the proportion of one half pound of sodium carbonate to one gallon of hot water.

(2) It shall be unlawful to convey any animals or poultry or feeding stuffs for animals or poultry (other than unboiled waste foods) or any other thing intended to be used for or in connection with animals or poultry in any vehicle at the same time as such vehicle is being used for the carriage of unboiled waste foods or for the carriage of any bin or other container which has been used for the carriage of such waste foods and has not after such use been disinfected in accordance with the requirements of this Order.

Exemption

10.—(1) The Ministry may, if it is considered expedient so to do, issue a certificate exempting any person, premises or waste foods from all or any of the provisions of this Order.

(2) Any certificate of exemption granted under this Article may be granted subject to any conditions which the Ministry may think fit to attach for the purpose of preventing the spreading of disease.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Ministry of Agriculture for Northern Ireland this 6th day of April, nineteen hundred and sixty-two, in the presence of

(L.S.) *J. C. Baird,*
Assistant Secretary.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(*This Note is not part of the Order, but is intended to indicate its general purport.*)

Waste foods, if not boiled for one hour, may spread foot-and-mouth and other diseases. This Order controls the movement of waste food which has been collected and brought on to any premises and prohibits the feeding to

(a) S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1927, No. 52 and 1931, No. 15.