"Certified (Welsh)" and "Certified (Isle of Man)" defined in paragraph 2 (1) (*a*) of the said Seeds (Amendment) Regulations, 1944, produced in the year 1954. Provided that no such potatoes may be planted in land on which Wart Disease has occurred at any time unless they are of an approved immune variety.

Operation and Revocation

4. This Order:—

(*a*) shall not operate to relieve any person from any other obligation imposed by the principal Order or from any other Order of the Minister for the time being in force;

(*b*) may be revoked by the Minister at any time either generally or in relation to any particular produce.

In Witness whereof the Official Seal of the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food is hereunto affixed this nineteenth day of January, nineteen hundred and fifty-six.

(L.S.) *D. Heathcoat Amory,*
Minister.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

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

This Order relaxes for the period between the date of the coming into operation of the Order and 1st January, 1957, the requirements of the Wart Disease of Potatoes Order of 1941 by authorising the planting or sale for planting in certain areas in England of seed potatoes obtained from crops which were not themselves the subject of a prescribed certificate but were grown in those areas in the previous year from certified stocks.

1956 No. 1719

The Wart Disease of Potatoes (Protected Area) (General Licence No. 2) (England and Wales) Order, 1956

Made - - - -	*1st November,* 1956
Laid before Parliament	*7th November,* 1956
Coming into Operation	*9th November,* 1956

The Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food by virtue and in exercise of the powers vested in him by Section 2 of the Destructive Insects Act, 1877(**a**), as amended by Section 1 of the Destructive Insects and Pests Act, 1907(**b**) and Section 1 of the Destructive Insects and Pests Act, 1927(**c**) respectively, and of every other power enabling him in this behalf, orders as follows:—

Citation and Commencement

1. This Order may be cited as the Wart Disease of Potatoes (Protected Area) (General Licence No. 2) (England and Wales) Order, 1956, and shall come into operation on the 9th day of November, 1956.

(a) 40 & 41 Vict. c. 68. (b) 7 Edw. 7. c. 4. (c) 17 & 18 Geo. 5. c. 32.

Interpretation

2. In this Order, unless the context otherwise requires, the following expressions have the meanings respectively assigned to them, that is to say :—

"approved immune variety" means a variety approved for the time being by the Minister as being immune from Wart Disease.

"Minister" means the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food.

"principal Order" means the Wart Disease of Potatoes Order of 1941(a).

"Protected Area" means the area described in the First Schedule to the principal Order or any other area in England or Wales which is for the time being certified by the Minister to be a Protected Area for the purposes of that Order.

"Wart Disease" means the disease affecting potatoes which is caused by Synchytrium endobioticum and known as Wart Disease of Potatoes or Black Scab or Cauliflower disease.

Relaxation of Principal Order

3. In pursuance of Article 14 of the principal Order the Minister hereby authorises (*a*) the sale, for planting within a Protected Area during the year 1957, and (*b*) the planting within a Protected Area during the year 1957, of any potatoes grown within that Protected Area in the year 1956 which are of the class "Uncertified (English once-grown)" as defined in the Seeds (Amendment) Regulations, 1944(b); that is to say, seed potatoes obtained from crops grown in that Protected Area, which crops were not certified under the scheme for the inspection of growing crops of potatoes authorised by the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food but were grown from seed potatoes of one or other of the classes "Certified (Scotch)", "Certified (Northern Ireland)", "Certified (Eire)", "Certified (English)", "Certified (Welsh)" and "Certified (Isle of Man)" defined in paragraph 2 (1) (*a*) of the said Seeds (Amendment) Regulations, 1944, produced in the year 1955. Provided that no such potatoes may be planted in land on which Wart Disease has occurred at any time unless they are of an approved immune variety.

Operation and Revocation

4. This Order :—

(*a*) shall not operate to relieve any person from any other obligation imposed by the principal Order or from any other Order of the Minister for the time being on force;

(*b*) may be revoked by the Minister at any time either generally or in relation to any particular produce.

In Witness whereof the Official Seal of the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food is hereunto affixed this first day of November, nineteen hundred and fifty-six.

(L.S.) *D. Heathcoat Amory,*
Minister.

(a) S.R. & O. 1941/1439 (Rev. V, p. 769: 1941 I, p. 216).
(b) S.R. & O. 1944/926 (Rev. XX, p. 648: 1944 I, p. 907).

EXPLANATORY NOTE

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

This Order relaxes for the year 1957 the requirements of the Wart Disease of Potatoes Order of 1941 by authorising the planting or sale for planting in certain areas in England of seed potatoes obtained from crops which were not themselves the subject of a prescribed certificate but were grown in those areas in the previous year from certified stocks.

PREVENTION OF DAMAGE BY PESTS

1956 No. 420

The Prevention of Damage by Pests (Application to Shipping) (Amendment No. 2) Order, 1956

Made - - - -	*22nd March*, 1956
Laid before Parliament	*27th March*, 1956
Coming into Operation	*9th April*, 1956

At the Court at Buckingham Palace, the 22nd day of March, 1956

Present,

The Queen's Most Excellent Majesty in Council

Her Majesty, in pursuance of Section 23 of the Prevention of Damage by Pests Act, 1949(a), and Section 6 of the Pests Act, 1954(b), is pleased, by and with the advice of Her Privy Council, to order, and it is hereby ordered, as follows:—

Citation, Commencement and Extent

1.—(1) This Order may be cited as the Prevention of Damage by Pests (Application to Shipping) (Amendment No. 2) Order, 1956, and shall come into operation on the 9th day of April, 1956.

(2) This Order shall not extend to Northern Ireland.

Revocation

2. The Prevention of Damage by Pests (Application to Shipping) (Amendment) Order, 1956(c), is hereby revoked.

Amendment of the Prevention of Damage by Pests (Application to Shipping) Order, 1951.

3. The Prevention of Damage by Pests (Application to Shipping) Order, 1951(d), shall be amended by the insertion, immediately after paragraph (2) of Article 3 thereof, of the following paragraph:—

"(3) For any inspection of a vessel made by an officer of a port health authority or port local authority in pursuance of an application for a certificate of the kind mentioned in sub-paragraph (*b*) (ii) of the last

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(a) 12, 13 & 14 Geo. 6. c. 55.
(b) 2 & 3 Eliz. 2. c. 68.
(c) S.I. 1956/89.
(d) S.I. 1951/967 (1951 II, p. 197).

preceding paragraph the authority may make and recover from the owner or master of the vessel such of the following charges as may be appropriate, that is to say—

	£	s.	d.
(*a*) if the vessel is 300 tons net or under	0	10	0
(*b*) if the vessel is over 300 tons net and not over 1,000 tons net	1	0	0
(*c*) if the vessel is over 1,000 tons net	2	0	0"

W. G. Agnew.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

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

This Order prescribes a fixed scale of charges which may be made by port health authorities and port local authorities for the inspection of a vessel with a view to the issue of rodent control certificates. The Prevention of Damage by Pests (Application to Shipping) (Amendment) Order, 1956, under which the scale of charges was such as might be prescribed from time to time, is revoked.

POLICE

COMMENCEMENT, ETC., OF ACTS

1956 No. 1995 (C. 18) (S. 91)

The Police (Scotland) Act, 1956 (Commencement) Order, 1956

Made - - - -	13*th December*, 1956
Laid before Parliament	20*th December*, 1956
Coming into Operation	21*st December*, 1956

In exercise of the power conferred on me by subsection (3) of section 41 of the Police (Scotland) Act, 1956(**a**), I hereby order as follows :—

1. The Police (Scotland) Act, 1956, shall come into operation on the first day of January, 1957.

2. This order may be cited as the Police (Scotland) Act, 1956 (Commencement) Order, 1956, and shall come into operation on the 21st day of December, 1956.

Dated this 13th day of December, 1956.

James Stuart,
One of Her Majesty's
Principal Secretaries of State.

St. Andrew's House,
Edinburgh, 1.

(**a**) 4 & 5 Eliz. 2. c. 26.