

GOVERNMENT NOTICE NO. 21

TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO

THE ANIMALS (DISEASES AND IMPORTATION) ORDINANCE, 1954

REGULATIONS

MADE BY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL UNDER SECTION 13 OF THE
ANIMALS (DISEASES AND IMPORTATION) ORDINANCE, 1954

THE EQUINE ENCEPHALOMYELITIS REGULATIONS, 1960

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Equine Encephalomyelitis Regulations, 1960.

2. (1) Every person having in his possession or under his charge any animal affected with, or suspected of being affected with, Equine Encephalomyelitis hereinafter referred to as "the disease", or the carcase of any animal affected with or suspected of being affected with the disease, shall with all practicable speed give notice of the animal or carcase affected with or suspected of being affected with the disease to the constable in charge of the nearest police station.

(2) Every veterinary surgeon who, upon examining any animal or the carcase of any animal, is of the opinion that such animal is, or was, when it died, affected with the disease, shall with all practicable speed give notice of the affection or suspicion of affection to the constable in charge of the nearest police station.

(3) Every such constable who receives a report made in accordance with this regulation shall—

(a) forthwith transmit the information to the Inspector by telephone or by any other means of communication, and

(b) as soon as may be practicable thereafter confirm in writing to the Inspector the transmission of such information by telephone or by any other means of communication.

3. (1) No person shall move or shall cause or permit to be moved, or shall dispose of, whether by sale or otherwise, any animal or carcase referred to in paragraph (2) of this regulation except in accordance with the directions of the Inspector given under the said paragraph:

Provided that it shall not be an offence to bury the carcase of any such animal if no such directions shall have been received within eighteen hours of the making of a report in relation to such animal or carcase under regulation 2 of these Regulations, or where such report cannot be made within eighteen hours after the death of the animal on account of distance, or on account of difficulty of terrain or of communications.

(2) The Inspector may give directions as to the removal or disposal of—

(a) any animal affected with, or suspected of being affected with the disease, or

(b) the carcase of any animal which has died from, or is suspected of having died from, or while afflicted with the disease.

4. (1) The Inspector may secure ante-mortem blood specimens or conduct a post-mortem examination of the carcase of any animal which has died from, or is suspected of having died from, or while afflicted with the disease, and may remove such portions of the carcase as he may deem necessary for laboratory examinations and may order that the carcase be delivered to him at such place and time as he may specify in such order.

(2) The Inspector may order the carcase of any animal which has been buried to be exhumed for the purpose of conducting a post-mortem examination of the carcase for the purposes of paragraph (1) of this regulation.

5. No compensation shall be payable in respect of any animal or carcase which has been dealt with in any manner authorised by these Regulations.

6. The Inspector may direct that any animal shall, at the risk of the owner, be inoculated with vaccine against the disease and shall appoint the places, dates and hours at which such animals shall be produced for the purpose of such inoculation. The owner or person in charge of every such animal shall comply with any such directions.

7. Any person who contravenes or fails to comply with any provision of these Regulations or with any order or directions lawfully given by any person under authority of these Regulations shall be guilty of an offence against these Regulations and shall be liable on summary conviction to a penalty of two hundred and fifty dollars.

Made by the Governor in Council this 21st day of January, 1960.

E. MURRAY
Secretary to the Cabinet

Laid before the Legislative Council this 12th day of February, 1960.

G. R. LATOUR
Acting Clerk, Legislative Council

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