Revised Regulations of Anguilla: A85-3

ANIMALS (DISEASES AND IMPORTATION) ACT (R.S.A. c. A85)

FOOT AND MOUTH DISEASE REGULATIONS

Note: These Regulations are enabled under sections 12 and 14 of the Animals (Diseases and Importation) Act, R.S.A. c. A85.

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Interpretation

1. In these Regulations—

"Commissioner of Police" includes any person to whom authority has been delegated by the Commissioner of Police, with the approval of the Governor;

"prohibited country" means—

(a) any country in which there is, or there is suspected to be, an outbreak of foot and mouth disease; or

(b) any country into which there is a probability of the spread of foot and mouth disease from any such country referred to in paragraph (a);

and which has been notified as such by the inspector by notice published in the *Gazette* and in at least 1 newspaper circulating in Anguilla;

"vessel" means any ship, schooner, sloop, boat, or other floating craft.

Landing of passengers from prohibited country

2. (1) No through passenger arriving in Anguilla by any vessel which has called at or cleared from any port in a prohibited country shall land in Anguilla, but, if the inspector is of opinion that exceptional circumstances exist, he may allow a through passenger to land in Anguilla subject to such conditions as the inspector may see fit to impose, and thereupon such through passenger may land in Anguilla and shall comply with any condition so imposed.

(2) Every other person arriving in Anguilla by any vessel or aircraft which has called at or cleared from any port or airport in a prohibited country shall on landing comply with such directions for disinfecting himself as the inspector shall direct.

(3) In this section, the expression "through passenger" means a passenger arriving in Anguilla and intending to depart therefrom on a continuous voyage on the same vessel.

Landing of things from prohibited country

3. (1) It shall not be lawful to land in Anguilla without the permission of the inspector—

(a) any cargo, utensil, article or other thing which has been taken on board any vessel or aircraft in a prohibited country;

(b) any cargo, utensil, article, or other thing which has been in contact with any such cargo, utensil, article or other thing as aforesaid; or

(c) any cargo, utensil, article or other thing which has been in contact with any vessel or aircraft which has called at or cleared from any port or airport in a prohibited country.

(2) Any cargo, utensil, article or other thing permitted to be landed in accordance with the provisions of subsection (1), and any lighter, drogher, boat, raft or harbour craft used for transporting any cargo, utensil, article or other thing permitted to be landed as aforesaid, shall, if so required by the inspector, be disinfected in such manner and at such places as the inspector shall direct.

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Discharge of garbage, sweepings or other waste materials from vessels or aircraft

4. No garbage, sweepings or other waste materials shall be discharged into the territorial waters of, or any place in, Anguilla from any vessel or aircraft which has called at or cleared from any port or airport in a prohibited country.

Visits to vessels or aircraft from prohibited country

5. No person shall visit any vessel or aircraft which has called at or cleared from any prohibited country without the permission, in case of vessels, of the Superintendent of Ports or, in the case of aircraft, of the Commissioner of Police.

Disinfection of persons

6. Every person coming in contact with any vessel or aircraft which has called at or cleared from any prohibited country or with the cargo of any such vessel or of any such aircraft shall take such measures to disinfect himself as the inspector may direct.

Notification of outbreak or suspected outbreak of foot and mouth disease

7. (1) Every person having in his possession or under his charge any animal affected or suspected to be affected with foot and mouth disease, or the carcass of any animal so affected or suspected, shall with all practicable speed give notice of such animal or such carcass being or having been so affected or suspected to the person in charge of the nearest police station.

(2) Every such person upon receiving such notice shall forthwith transmit the information to the inspector.

Action to be taken by inspector

8. (1) The inspector shall upon receipt of any information pursuant to section 7(2) forthwith cause a notice in Form 1 in the Schedule to be served upon the occupier of any premises where such animal is.

(2) The inspector shall immediately after the service of the notice referred to in subsection (1) proceed to the place to which such notice refers, and shall there make a full investigation of all the circumstances.

(3) The inspector may give directions in relation to the steps which shall be taken in dealing with any animal or carcass affected with foot and mouth disease and with any other animal, carcass, vehicle, utensil, implement, fodder, litter, dung or any other article or articles (whether similar to the foregoing or not) likely to spread disease within the infected place, and the occupier of every such infected place shall comply with such directions.

(4) A notice under subsection (1) shall remain in force until withdrawn by a withdrawal notice in Form 2 in the Schedule.

Keeping of animals within an infected place or area

9. (1) No animal nor the carcass of any animal nor any portion of such carcass shall be moved out of or into or from place to place within any infected place or area except in accordance with the terms of a permit in writing given by the inspector.

(2) All animals within an infected place or area shall be kept confined in a yard, pen or other enclosure.

(3) Any animal straying into or out of an infected place or an infected area may, in the discretion of the inspector or person in charge of the nearest police station be shot or otherwise destroyed.

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Disposal of dead animals within an infected place or area

10. (1) The carcass of any animal—

(a) destroyed pursuant to section 9(3);

(b) which died of foot and mouth disease; or

(c) which died within an infected place or area;

shall be burnt or buried in the infected place or area from or into which it strayed or in which it died, by the owner or occupier of such infected place or area, within 6 hours of the death of such animal.

(2) Where the carcass of any such animal is buried, it shall be buried at a depth of not less than 5 feet below the surface of the ground.

(3) No person shall exhume or dig up the carcass of any animal nor any portion thereof which is buried within an infected place or area except in accordance with the terms of a permit in writing granted by the inspector.

Disposal of dung, etc., of animals in an infected place or area

11. (1) No dung of any animal, nor any food, fodder, litter or utensils used in connection with any animal in an infected place or area shall be moved out of such infected place or area.

(2) Any such dung, food, fodder, litter or utensils shall be burnt or buried or otherwise treated, dealt with, or disposed of as the inspector may in any particular case direct.

Treatment of yard, etc., occupied by diseased or suspected animals

12. Every part of every yard, pen, other enclosure or defined area where any animal affected with, or suspected of being affected with, foot and mouth disease has been kept or isolated shall be cleansed and treated in such manner as the inspector may in any particular case direct.

Isolation and immunisation of animals and carcasses in infected place or area

13. (1) Any animal which, within a period of 30 days, has been in contact with any animal affected with foot and mouth disease, shall be isolated and kept confined in a yard, pen, other enclosure or defined area for a period of not less than 30 days after the death or destruction of the last such animal affected with foot and mouth disease.

(2) For the purposes of subsection (1), every person who has disposed of any animal which has been in contact with animals affected with foot and mouth disease shall upon being so required by the inspector disclose the name and address of any person to whom such animal was disposed of and the place at which such animal was delivered or the destination to which it was consigned.

(3) The inspector may order that any animals within an infected place or area shall at the risk and expense of the owner be immunised against foot and mouth disease by vaccination or otherwise.

(4) All animals immunised pursuant to the provisions of subsection (3) shall be isolated from other animals and kept confined for such period as may be specified.

(5) All animals on separate premises within an infected place or area shall be isolated from animals on adjoining premises within or upon the boundary of such infected place or area.

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(6) No flesh of any animal butchered or slaughtered within an infected place or area shall be offered for sale or used for human consumption.

(7) The carcass of any animal which has within 7 days immediately preceding the date of its slaughter been in contact with any other animal affected with or suspected of being affected with foot and mouth disease may be seized and destroyed by the inspector.

Penalty

14. Any person who contravenes or fails to comply with any provision of these Regulations, or with any order, instruction or condition lawfully made, given or imposed by any person under the authority of these Regulations, is guilty of an offence against these Regulations and is liable for each offence on summary conviction to a fine of $9,600 or to imprisonment for a term of 3 months.

Citation

15. These Regulations may be cited as the Foot and Mouth Disease Regulations, Revised Regulations of Anguilla, A85-3.

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SCHEDULE

FORMS

FORM 1

(Section 8(1))

NOTICE DEFINING INFECTED PLACE

To ..... of .....

I, ... of ..... being the inspector appointed under the Animals (Diseases and Importation) Act, hereby give you notice as the occupier of the undermentioned premises that the said premises are hereby declared to be an infected place and to become subject to the provisions of the Foot and Mouth Disease Regulations.

Dated this ..... day of ....., 20..... .

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Title .....

Description of Infected Place

Premises	District

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FORM 2

(Section 8(4))

WITHDRAWAL NOTICE

To ……..... of .....……...

I, …….....…… of …….....
being the inspector appointed under the Animals (Diseases and Importation) Act, do hereby withdraw, as from the .....…… day of ……..…….....…….. the notice relating to premises in your occupation at .....……....…….....
day of .....……..., 20……..... signed by ....….....……
and served upon you the .....……. day of .....…….....…….. .

Dated this ……..... day of ...….....…….....…….. .

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Title .....……..

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