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SALE OF MEAT REGULATIONS 1923. ⁽¹⁾

1. These Regulations may be cited as the *Sale of Meat Regulations 1923.* ⁽¹⁾

R. 2 rep.
by Regs.
gazetted on
15.5.1925.

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3. In these Regulations unless the contrary intention appears—
“Township of Rabaul” means all that area of land bounded as follows:—Commencing at a point on the shore at Simpson Harbour being the North-East corner of that

(1) The *Sale of Meat Regulations 1923* (made under the *Administrator's Powers Ordinance 1923-1938*) comprise the original *Sale of Meat Regulations 1923*, as amended by the other Regulations referred to in the following Table:—

TABLE.
PART I.—REGULATIONS MADE BY THE ADMINISTRATOR.

Description and number and year (if any).	Date on which made by Administrator.	Date on which published in <i>N.G. Gaz.</i>	Date on which took effect.
<i>Sale of Meat Regulations 1923</i>	21.11.1923	27.11.1923	1.12.1923 (<i>N.G. Gaz.</i> of 27.11.1923)
<i>Amending Regulation</i>	30.4.1925	15.5.1925	15.5.1925 ^(a) (<i>N.G. Gaz.</i> of 15.5.1925)
<i>Amending Regulation</i>	9.6.1930	16.6.1930	“Forthwith” ^(b) (<i>N.G. Gaz.</i> of 16.6.1930)
<i>Amending Regulation</i>	17.5.1932	31.5.1932	“Forthwith” ^(b) (<i>N.G. Gaz.</i> of 31.5.1932)
<i>Amending Regulation (1937, No. 8)</i>	24.2.1937	15.3.1937	1.7.1937 (<i>N.G. Gaz.</i> of 15.3.1937)

(a) Section 3 of the *Administrator's Powers Ordinance 1923*, which took effect from 8.2.1923, prescribed that regulations made pursuant to the power contained in Section 2 of that Ordinance should be published in *N.G. Gaz.* and take effect from the date of publication or from a later date specified therein. Section 3 was repealed by the *Administrator's Powers Ordinance 1938* which came into operation on 24.8.1938. The *Amending Regulation* dated 30.4.1925 and published in *N.G. Gaz.* of 15.5.1925, was made while Section 3 was operative, and stated in its introductory part that it was “to come into operation on the fifteenth day of May, One thousand nine hundred and twenty-five.” However, this *Amending Regulation* of 30.4.1925 was as follows:—

“Regulation 2 of the *Sale of Meat Regulations 1923* is repealed as from the first day of December, One thousand nine hundred and twenty-three.”

(b) Each of the sets of Regulations to which this note (b) applies stated in their respective introductory parts that they were “to come into operation forthwith.” At the relevant dates in 1930-1932 there was no Ordinance or regulation (other than Section 3 of the *Administrator's Powers Ordinance 1923*, for the provisions of which see note (a) above) of general application providing for the publication of regulations, the date on which they took effect, or the meaning of “forthwith”.

PART II.—REGULATIONS MADE BY THE ADMINISTRATOR IN COUNCIL.

Description and number and year.	Date on which made by Administrator in Council.	Date on which published in <i>N.G. Gaz.</i>	Date on which took effect and came into operation.
<i>Amending Regulations (1941, No. 6)</i>	26.8.1941	15.9.1941	15.9.1941 (<i>N.G. Gaz.</i> of 15.9.1941)

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portion of land owned and occupied by the Methodist Mission Society at Malakuna and bounded thence on the South-West by the North-Eastern boundary of that portion of land and the continuation thereof to the North-Western side of the main Kokopo road thence on the North-West by the aforesaid North-Western side of the road bearing North-Easterly to its intersection with the South-West side of the Rataval or North Coast Road thence on the South-West by the South-Western side of that road bearing North-Westerly to the main watershed at Rataval Tunnel. Thence by that watershed bearing generally North-Easterly Easterly and South-Easterly to its intersection with a high ridge South of the Namanula Hospital thence on the South South-East and East by that ridge bearing Westerly South-Westerly and Southerly to a point lying East of the South-East corner of Hershheim's Plantation known as Matupi Farm thence on the South by a line bearing Westerly to the aforesaid South-East corner of Matupi Farm and thence again on the South by the Southern boundary of Matupi Farm aforesaid to the shores of Simpson Harbour bearing generally Northerly North-Westerly and Westerly to the point of commencement.

“Meat” shall include any portion of the dead body of any animal of the following kind—namely cattle sheep pigs goats poultry or other animal which is used for human food but shall not include tinned or preserved meats.

“Licensing Officer” means an officer appointed to administer the District in which an application under the provisions of these Regulations is made and includes an Assistant District Officer, a District Inspector, and an Assistant District Inspector appointed to perform their several duties in the District.

Sub. by Regs.
gazetted on
31. 5. 1932,
r. 1.

“Local Medical Authority” means, in relation to the District of New Britain, the Director of Public Health or such other medical officer as the Director of Public Health may, in writing, appoint to act as a local medical authority in that District, and means, in relation to any other District, a medical officer in the District, and includes, in the event of there being, in any District at any time, no medical officer, the District Officer of the District.

Sub. by 1941,
No. 6, r. 1.

“Inspector” means any officer of the Administration appointed in writing by the local medical authority as a meat inspector under these Regulations and shall also include any European member of the New Guinea Police Force.

“Person” shall include a firm and company.

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Sub-reg. (1.)
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16. 6. 1930,
r. 1, and by
1937, No. 8,
r. 1; sub. by
1941, No. 6,
r. 2.

4.—(1.) No person shall, unless he has first obtained from the licensing officer a licence in the form set out in the First Schedule to these Regulations, sell or offer or attempt to sell or keep or expose for sale any uncooked meat whatsoever within the boundaries of any town⁽²⁾ or within a distance of one mile from and outside the boundaries of any town or within any area defined by the Administrator by notice in the *New Guinea Gazette*.⁽³⁾

Sub-reg. (1A.)
ad. by 1941,
No. 6, r. 2.

(1A.) Application for such licence shall be made in writing to the licensing officer in the form set out in the Second Schedule to these Regulations.

(2.) No licence shall be issued unless such application bears the signed recommendation of the local medical authority.

(3.) All licences shall expire on the 30th day of June following date of issue.

(4.) The fee for a licence or any renewal thereof shall be the sum of Two pounds payable in advance.

5.—(1.) It shall be lawful for the licensing officer the local medical authority or any inspector to enter into and upon any land building rooms premises or place used for or in connexion with the preparation packing storage carriage sale or delivery for sale of meat within any area within which a licence is required under these Regulations and to examine the state and condition of the same and of all meat found therein and of all vehicles receptacles articles and things used in connexion therewith.

(2.) If upon any inspection any meat is found to be unwholesome or in any way unfit for human consumption the licensing officer local medical authority or inspector may seize the same and cause it to be destroyed without creating any right to compensation in the owner thereof.

6.—(1.) Every person engaged in the preparation packing storage carriage or delivery for sale of meat shall by the provision of suitable and effective means at all times protect such meat from rats mice cockroaches flies spiders bugs moths and all other vermin and from any unwholesome substance odour or smell.

(2.) Every person who uses any room compartment premises or place for or in the preparation packing storage carriage or delivery for sale of meat shall keep or cause to be kept every such room compartment premises or place free from rats mice cockroaches flies spiders bugs moths and all other vermin and shall cause the floors of such room compartment premises or place to be constructed of some impervious material and kept in good order.

(2) See the *Town Boundaries Ordinance 1924-1927*.

(3) Pursuant to Regulation 4, the Administrator, by notice dated 1.9.1941, published in *N.G. Gaz.* of 15.9.1941 and printed on p. 2435, defined an area in the District of Morobe as an area within which no person should sell or offer or attempt to sell or keep or expose for sale any uncooked meat whatsoever without a licence.

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7. No person shall permit any fowl-house stable dog-kennel pig-sty cow-house cesspool privy pan closet or urinal to be in or about or within a distance of twelve feet from any room compartment premises or place used for or in connexion with the preparation packing storage carriage or delivery for sale of meat.

8. No person shall allow any animal to stay or be in or upon any room compartment premises or place used for or in connexion with the preparation packing storage sale or offering or exposure for sale of meat.

9. No person shall prepare pack store or deliver for sale or offer or expose for sale any meat in any room compartment or place which is at any time used as a sleeping compartment or in which anything is kept or any work or occupation carried on which is likely to contaminate such meat or injuriously affect its wholesomeness or cleanliness.

10. No person shall spit smoke or chew tobacco whilst engaged in the preparation packing storage carriage or delivery of any meat for sale or whilst in any room compartment premises or place used for or in connexion therewith. Provided that this section shall not apply to the packing storage carriage or delivery of meat enclosed in a hermetically sealed container.

11. Every person engaged in the preparation packing storage carriage delivery for sale⁽⁴⁾ of meat shall when so engaged keep and maintain his clothes and body clean.

12. No person who is suffering from any contagious or infectious disease (including venereal disease) shall prepare pack store carry deliver hawk or handle in any way meat intended for the use of others.

13.—(1.) No person shall carry for sale or delivery on the foot board or any part of the exterior of any vehicle any meat for sale unless such meat is contained in a box or receptacle so constructed as to protect such meat from contamination by dust or flies.

(2.) No person shall carry or transport through any street road or place any meat intended for sale unless the same is adequately protected from flies and as far as practicable from dust.

14. No person shall pack wrap or carry meat in such a manner that such meat can or may come into contact with any paper cloth or other material which is not clean or with any paper on which there is any writing or printing.

15. No person shall sell or offer or expose for sale any meat which has at any time previously been delivered at any house or to any person

(4) The words "carriage delivery for sale" appeared in the *Sale of Meat Regulations 1923* as published in *N.G. Gaz.* The word "or" has now been inserted after the word "carriage" by the Third Schedule of the *Ordinances Reprint and Revision Ordinance 1947* of the Territory of Papua-New Guinea.

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or which has previously left the possession of him or his servants or agents.

16. No person shall use any vehicle receptacle article utensil tool vessel fitting machinery or other appliance or thing for or in connexion with the preparation packing storage carriage or delivery for sale of meat for any other purpose or which has been used for any other purpose if such use is likely to contaminate or injuriously affect in any way the wholesomeness or cleanliness of such meat.

17. No person shall pack store enclose or carry or consign meat for sale in any box or sack or other receptacle which has at any time contained or has been used for the conveyance or storage of bone dust or superphosphate or any other manure or mixture of manures.

18. No person shall keep store expose or offer for sale any meat otherwise than in a building constructed and arranged so that ventilation openings other than the street door and windows are provided either in the back or side wall thereof. Such means of ventilation shall always be in operation and shall be covered with flyproof wire gauze and shall have an effective area equal to not less than 2 per cent. of floor space of such building and every doorway in such building shall be provided with a light swing frame closely fitting and self closing and covered with flyproof wire gauze.

19. Every person who uses any building store shop counter premises stand or place in or upon which any meat is sold or offered or exposed or prepared for sale shall remove or cause to be removed daily all waste matter from such building store shop counter premises stand or place and shall not cast deposit or allow to remain any meat fat offal bones or other waste matter in any manure heap or pit or upon any part of such building store shop counter stand or place other than in a suitably covered receptacle provided for the purpose.

20. No person shall sell or expose or store for sale or have in his possession for sale or delivery or expose for human consumption on any counter or in any bar restaurant or other premises any meat unless such meat is protected from flies and as far as practicable from dust by storage in a covered receptacle or by means of metal glass or other suitable covers or by protection of all open windows ventilators and apertures by means of fly proof wire gauze or other similar and effective material and by providing automatically closing doors made of the same or a similar and effective material.

21. Every person engaged in the preparation packing storage carriage or delivery for sale of any meat shall keep or cause to be kept clean all vehicles vessels fittings machinery or other appliances used for or in connexion with such preparation packing storage carriage or delivery for sale.

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22. No person shall use for the carriage or transport of meat for sale any vehicle which is not kept constantly clean and in good repair and every such vehicle shall be thoroughly scraped and washed or otherwise cleansed at the conclusion of each day during which such vehicle is used. If straw is used in any such vehicle such straw shall be renewed daily.

23. No person shall use any vehicle for the carriage or delivery of meat for sale which is not so constructed with due regard to ventilation as to prevent access of flies and dust into the interior of the same and every such vehicle shall at all times be kept closed except when in use for loading or unloading.

24. No person shall place or allow to stand on any public footpath or pavement any meat for sale or any package or other vessel or utensil used for the carriage of such meat.

25. No person shall use for or in connexion with the preparation storage packing carriage or delivery of meat for sale any vessel or utensil the substance construction or condition of which is likely to contaminate meat.

26. No person shall unless in the actual process of conveyance store meat for sale in the direct rays of the sun.

27. No person shall place hang expose or allow to protrude either wholly or in part beyond the line of the glass or gauze of the window or door of any shop or premises any meat for sale.

28. All persons who are employed or engaged in the wholesale or retail storage or delivery of meat for sale whether in any shop or not or in the transport carriage or delivery for sale of meat shall at all times while so employed or engaged wear overalls of washable material which shall completely cover the clothes or aprons of washable material reaching from the neck to below the knee and such overalls or aprons shall at all times be kept thoroughly clean.

29. No person shall use any basket or tray for the carrying or conveyance of meat for sale unless such basket or tray is thoroughly cleansed daily.

30. All persons engaged in the sale of meat shall provide clean towels for the use of operatives.

31. A copy of these regulations shall be conspicuously displayed in every place where meat is prepared packed or stored for sale and shall be constantly maintained there in a clean visible and legible condition by the proprietor manager or person in charge thereof.

