

No. 362.

THE AGRICULTURAL PRODUCE (EXPORT) LAW, 1933.

REGULATIONS MADE UNDER SECTION 8.

W. D. BATTERSHILL,
Governor.

I, the Governor in Council, in exercise of the powers conferred by section 8 of the Agricultural Produce (Export) Law, 1933, do hereby make the following Regulations:—

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Agricultural Produce (Yellow-Leaf Tobacco) Export Regulations, 1940, and shall come into force on the 1st day of October, 1940. 1946

2. In these Regulations:—

“Yellow-leaf tobacco” means any tobacco grown in Cyprus from seed of the Turkish or Oriental type and commonly known in the tobacco trade by that name.

“Inspector” means the Produce Inspector for the place of inspection at which the tobacco intended for export is submitted for examination.

3. No yellow-leaf tobacco shall be exported unless it has been inspected and passed by an Inspector as fit for export and no yellow-leaf tobacco shall be passed as fit for export which in the opinion of the Inspector—

(a) is musty or damaged by insects or other cause to such an extent as not to be in marketable condition;

(b) contains more than fourteen per centum by weight of moisture.

4.—(1) Any person who intends to export any yellow-leaf tobacco shall give notice to the Inspector at the place of exportation, stating the quantity of yellow-leaf tobacco to be shipped and the destination of the consignment and shall present the same for examination. Such notice shall be given and the consignment shall be presented for examination sufficiently in advance of the date on which it is proposed to ship the tobacco to permit the examination to be carried out during normal working hours and in daylight.

(2) The consignment shall be:—

(a) properly marked for export;

(b) packed in new clean burlap in firmly pressed bales of not more than thirty-five okes; and

(c) stacked at a place of inspection approved by the Director of Agriculture and in such manner as the Inspector may direct for the purpose of facilitating and expediting the inspection and grading.

5. The consignor shall pay to the Collector of Customs at the port of export a fee of three piastres for every bale of yellow-leaf tobacco submitted for examination.

6.—(1) All yellow-leaf tobacco intended for export shall be graded into one of the grades enumerated in Regulation 7 and each bale passed for export shall be stamped by the Inspector with the word "Passed" in letters not less than half an inch in height together with the grade mark of the grade in which it has been classified, that is to say:—

<i>Grade of yellow-leaf tobacco.</i>	<i>Grade mark.</i>
First grade	1
Second grade	2
Third grade	3
Fourth grade	4
Fifth grade	5

(2) Every bale shall be marked by the owner with the words "Produce of Cyprus".

7. *First grade* yellow-leaf tobacco shall consist of perfect, ripe, well-cured, full-bodied leaf of Outch, Outchalti, Kouvaloma and Tritomana.

Second grade yellow-leaf tobacco shall consist of good quality, slightly discoloured and medium-bodied leaf of Outch, Outchalti, Kouvaloma and Tritomana and perfect leaves of Defteromana.

Third grade yellow-leaf tobacco shall consist of the inferior and thin-bodied leaves of the above-mentioned categories, good Protomana and well-cured Dip with body.

Fourth grade yellow-leaf tobacco shall consist of the greenish, discoloured, common or slightly broken leaves of all the above-mentioned categories and good Orta.

Fifth grade yellow-leaf tobacco shall consist of good, usable, broken leaf of all the foregoing grades :

Provided always that the leaves of each kind of yellow-leaf tobacco in each grade shall be in such proportions as to the Director of Agriculture may seem fit.

8. No yellow-leaf tobacco classified as ~~Fourth or Fifth grade~~ shall be exported to any of the countries specified in the First Schedule hereto.

9. Not less than ten per cent. of every consignment intended for export shall be inspected.

10. On presentation of the Customs export specification, the Inspector shall enter thereon, in respect of any yellow-leaf tobacco which has been passed for export, the amount of fees payable for inspection and shall issue to the shipper a Grading Slip giving full particulars of the consignment which has been passed for export. The Customs Authorities shall not permit the shipment of any yellow-leaf tobacco unless the relative Grading Slip has been produced to them for retention.

11. The Inspector shall issue to the shipper in respect of any yellow-leaf tobacco which has been passed for export a certificate in the form set out in the Second Schedule hereto.

12. Notwithstanding anything in these Regulations contained, the Director of Agriculture may by licence in writing under his hand and subject to such conditions as he may prescribe in such licence permit:—

(a) the export to ~~countries specified in the First Schedule hereto of Fourth or Fifth grade~~ yellow-leaf tobacco or of yellow-leaf tobacco which is not passed fit for export if he is satisfied that

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it will be used exclusively for the manufacture of nicotine, insecticidal preparations or other commodities not capable of being used as tobacco for human consumption.

(b) the shipment for experimental purposes of consignments of yellow-leaf tobacco which do not conform to these Regulations.

13. Each place of inspection shall in all respects be under the control of the Inspector in charge of it and, with the exception of any shipper whose consignments are undergoing inspection, no member of the public shall have access to it without the express permission of the Inspector.

14. Type samples of the different grades of yellow-leaf tobacco enumerated in Regulation 7 shall be kept and maintained at the following places :—

(a) the offices of the Department of Agriculture at Nicosia, Kyrenia, Lefkoniko and Yialousa ;

(b) the offices of the Produce Inspectors at Famagusta, Larnaca and Limassol ;

and such samples shall be open to inspection by any exporter of yellow-leaf tobacco during all working hours.

15. Nothing in these Regulations shall apply to trade samples not exceeding one-half coko in weight exported through the post.

FIRST SCHEDULE.

(Regulations 8 and 12.)

The United Kingdom and Northern Ireland.
Eire.

SECOND SCHEDULE.

(Regulation 10.)

COLONY OF CYPRUS.

INSPECTION CERTIFICATE.

I certify that I have examined..... bales of yellow-leaf tobacco, consigned by..... of..... to..... of and that I have classified the consignment as stated below, in accordance with the Agricultural Produce (Yellow-Leaf Tobacco) Export Regulations, 1940.

Number : Grade.
..... bales of
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*Produce Inspector,
Department of Agriculture,
Cyprus.*

Date.....

Made in Council, this 11th day of September, 1940.

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N. D. WATSON,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

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