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SUBSIDIARY LEGISLATION.

No. 427.

THE AGRICULTURAL PRODUCE (EXPORT) LAW, 1933.

REGULATIONS MADE UNDER SECTION 8.

A. B. WRIGHT,
Governor.

In exercise of the powers vested in me by section 8 of the Agricultural Produce (Export) Law, 1933, I, the Governor, with the advice of the Executive Council, do hereby make the following regulations:—

1. These regulations may be cited as the Agricultural Produce (Citrus Fruit) Export Regulations, 1949.

2. In these regulations—

“citrus fruit” means oval, round and Valencia oranges and includes bitter oranges, grapefruit, mandarines and lemons.

3.—(1) Any person who intends to export any citrus fruit shall give notice of his intention to the produce inspector at the place of inspection that he proposes to do so at least three clear days before the proposed date of export and shall present such fruit for inspection at the place of inspection at least forty-eight hours before the time of intended export:

Provided that if such fruit is presented less than forty-eight hours before the time of sailing of the ship the produce inspector may inspect so much of the fruit as he can up to the time of sailing:

Provided also that if it is desired to export such fruit from any port at which a produce inspector is not normally stationed, six clear days' notice of such intention shall be given in writing to the Director of Agriculture, and the citrus fruit shall be presented for inspection as and when the Director of Agriculture may direct.

(2) Save with the permission of the Director of Agriculture, no inspection of any citrus fruit will be undertaken during the hours between sunset and sunrise:

Provided that such fruit may be inspected between sunset and sunrise without permission if the carrying ship is in harbour and is loading or is ready to load citrus fruit.

4. No citrus fruit shall be passed as fit for export if such citrus fruit—

- (a) is not considered by the produce inspector as likely to arrive at the destination to which it is consigned in a sound condition;
- (b) does not appear to have been properly wilted before packing;
- (c) has not had the stem cut in such a manner as to prevent injury to other citrus fruit packed in the same receptacle;

- (d) has a skin of such a roughness as to cause disfigurement which in the opinion of the produce inspector may detract from its marketability in the country to which it is consigned; or
- (e) is infested with any insect, pest or disease to such an extent as in the opinion of the produce inspector will detract from its appearance.

5. The produce inspector shall open and inspect not less than three per centum of the packages forming each consignment and as a result of this inspection shall, subject to the provisions of these regulations, classify the consignment as "Selected Grade", or "Commercial Grade", or as unfit for export, as the case may be.

6.—(1) *Selected Grade* citrus fruit shall be of the following description and in accordance with the following provisions:—

- (a) there shall not in any case or basket be more than ten per centum by number which show any sign of injury or blemish from whatsoever cause;
- (b) all fruit in any one case or basket shall be of one variety only and shall be of the characteristic shape of that variety;
- (c) all fruit shall be mature but not overripe;
- (d) there shall not in any case or basket be more than ten per centum by number without "buttons" (calyces); and
- (e) there shall not in any case or basket be more than five per centum by number slightly "puffy" or dry (achyromena) at one end.

(2) *Commercial Grade* citrus fruit shall be of the following description and in accordance with the following provisions:—

- (a) there shall not in any case or basket be more than fifteen per centum by number which show any sign of injury or blemish from whatsoever cause;
- (b) all fruit in any one case or basket shall be of one variety only and shall be of the characteristic shape of that variety;
- (c) all fruit shall be mature but not overripe; and
- (d) there shall not in any case or basket be more than twenty per centum by number slightly "puffy" or dry (achyromena) at one end.

7. Immediately after inspection the produce inspector shall cause each case or basket of citrus fruit classified into one of the above grades to be marked with the words "Selected Grade" or "Commercial Grade", as the case may be; such marking to be done by the exporter under the supervision of the produce inspector.

8.—(1) Notwithstanding anything in these regulations contained, the produce inspector may permit, between the commencement of the export season and the 15th day of December in each year, the exportation of oranges to any country as "Early Season Oranges":

Provided that such Early Season Oranges are placed in cases properly packed on which the words "Early Season Oranges", in addition to the grade designation, are printed or stencilled in clear letters not less than two inches high:

Provided also that such Early Season Oranges shall be of the description of and in accordance with the provisions applying to the Selected Grade or Commercial Grade citrus fruit, as the case may be, except that such oranges need not be fully mature.

(2) The produce inspector shall before the commencement of each export season fix for each type of oranges the dates for the beginning of the cutting of such oranges for shipment as Early Season Oranges to European markets; no oranges shall be cut for shipment as Early Season Oranges to such markets before the dates fixed by the produce inspector.

9. No citrus fruit other than that which has been classified as Selected Grade or as Early Season Oranges of the description of Selected Grade shall be permitted to be exported either directly or indirectly to any of the countries specified in the Second Schedule hereto.

10. Citrus fruit shall be tightly packed in clean new cases so fastened as adequately to protect the citrus fruit therein from injury. All such cases shall be so constructed from light wood with bevelled edges and one finely sawn or smooth surface so that the bevelled edge and finely sawn or smooth surface shall be on the inside of the case and the size of the cases shall conform to one of the dimensions laid down in the First Schedule hereto. All cases when packed shall show a bulge of not less than one inch when nailed down :

Provided that any citrus fruit which may have been classified as Selected Grade or as Commercial Grade may be packed in baskets for export to countries other than those mentioned in the Second Schedule hereto. All such baskets must be lined on the inside with paper of such a thickness as adequately to protect the citrus fruit therein.

11. Every case or basket in which citrus fruit intended for export is packed shall be marked in conspicuous letters as prescribed in the Third Schedule hereto.

12.—(1) On presentation of the Customs Export Specification the produce inspector shall enter thereon, in respect of any citrus fruit he may have passed as fit for export, the amount of fees payable for inspection and re-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 citrus fruit unless the relative grading slip has been produced to them.

(2) The produce inspector shall issue to the consignor in respect of any fruit which has been passed as fit for export an inspection certificate in the form set out in the Fourth Schedule hereto.

13. Notwithstanding anything in these regulations contained, the produce inspector may, subject to such conditions as may be laid down by the Director of Agriculture, permit the exportation of "Culled Fruit" which he is satisfied is intended solely for manufacturing purposes, provided that the words "Culled Fruit" are clearly marked on each case containing such fruit.

14. Any consignment of citrus fruit which the produce inspector has refused to pass for export shall be removed from the place of inspection within twenty-four hours from the giving of notice by the produce inspector of his refusal to pass for export such consignment :

Provided that if the shipper of the fruit shall have previously given notice to the produce inspector that he wishes to do so, he shall be permitted to remove the consignment from the place of inspection to sort and re-submit it for inspection.

15. The inspection shed or place shall in all respects be under the control of the produce inspector and with the exception of the shipper whose fruit is undergoing inspection no member of the public shall have access thereto except on the express permission of the produce inspector.

16. Notwithstanding anything in these regulations contained, the Director of Agriculture may allow, under such restrictions and conditions as he may in each case prescribe, the shipment, for experimental purposes, of consignments of citrus fruit which do not conform to these regulations.

17. Any person wishing to export any citrus fruit shall, before exporting such fruit, register with the Registrar of Trade Marks at least one brand or mark under which he proposes to ship such fruit; and no brand or mark shall be used in connection with the export of citrus fruit unless it has previously been approved by the Director of Agriculture.

18. The fees in the Fifth Schedule hereto shall be paid by each consignor for the matters specified in such Schedule to the Collector of Customs at the port of export.

19. The Agricultural Produce (Citrus Fruit) Export Regulations, 1934 to 1948, are hereby repealed.

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FIRST SCHEDULE.

(Regulation 10.)

SIZES OF CASES.

The dimensions of cases which shall be used for the packing of citrus fruit shall be as follows :—

- (a) For round, oval, Valencia and bitter oranges and grapefruit :—
26, 27, 28, 29, $30 \times 34 \times 68$ cms.
28, 29, $30 \times 36 \times 72$ cms.
29, $30 \times 37 \times 74$ cms.
- (b) For lemons :—
26, 27, $28 \times 28 \times 68$ cms.
26, 27, 28, 29, $30 \times 34 \times 68$ cms.
- (c) For mandarines :—
Cases of a length of 66 cms.

SECOND SCHEDULE.

(Regulations 9 and 10.)

COUNTRIES.

Austria	Finland	Norway
Belgium	France	Sweden
Canada	Germany	Switzerland
Denmark	Holland	United Kingdom.
Republic of Ireland		

THIRD SCHEDULE.

(Regulation 11.)

MARKING OF CASES OR BASKETS.

1. At the one end of the case or basket there shall be placed or marked the Trade Mark or other brand of the exporter as may have been registered under regulation 17, together with a map of Cyprus and the words "Produce of Cyprus" or "Empire Origin", should these words not appear in the registered trade mark or brand.

2. At the other end the case or basket shall be marked :—

- (a) with any mark of origin as may be prescribed from time to time by the Comptroller of Customs and Excise under the provisions of the Customs Laws, 1936 to (No. 3) 1948, or any law amending or substituted for the same;

(b) with the kind of fruit contained therein, that is to say, with the words "Oval Oranges", "Round Oranges", "Valencia Oranges", "Bitter Oranges", "Lemons", "Grapefruit" or "Mandarines", as the case may be, and with any shipping mark that may be necessary.

3. There shall also be marked on the two ends of the case or basket and on the top side thereof the exact number of citrus fruit contained therein.

FOURTH SCHEDULE.
(Regulation 12 (2).)
GOVERNMENT OF CYPRUS.

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE.

INSPECTION CERTIFICATE.

CITRUS FRUIT.

This is to certify that not less than 3% of the packages included in the consignment described below was examined by me, a duly authorized official of the Government of Cyprus, on..... and that I have passed the consignment as fit for export in accordance with the Agricultural Produce (Citrus Fruit) Export Regulations, 1949.

Number and description of packages in consignment.....
 Description of fruit.....
 Grade.....
 Distinguishing marks.....
 Name and address of Exporter.....
 Name and address of Consignee.....
 Name of vessel.....
 Date of shipment.....
 Destination

Date..... *Produce Inspector.*

Note.—No liability attaches either to the Department of Agriculture or to any of its officers in respect of this certificate.

FIFTH SCHEDULE.
(Regulation 18.)

FEES.

Piastres

For each case or basket of citrus fruit in a consignment submitted for inspection and graded as "Selected Grade" there shall be paid	0 ³ / ₄
For each case or basket of citrus fruit in a consignment submitted for inspection and graded as "Commercial Grade" there shall be paid	0 ¹ / ₂
For each such case or basket re-submitted after re-sorting	0 ¹ / ₂
For each 1,000 fruit shipped in bulk	3

Made in Council, this 3rd day of November, 1949.

I. LL. PHILLIPS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

(M.P. 825/49.)