

SUPPLEMENT No. 3

TO

THE CYPRUS GAZETTE No. 3563 OF 20TH JUNE, 1951. SUBSIDIARY LEGISLATION.

No. 314.

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

(Potato) Export Regulations, 1951.

2. In these regulations—

"certified seed potatoes" means potatoes the produce of a crop which was inspected whilst growing in the field by a member of the Department of Agriculture, and in respect of which certificates in the form shown in the First Schedule hereto have been issued;

"potatoes" means the tubers of Solanum tuberosum L;

"produce inspector" means the produce inspector for the place of inspection at which the potatoes intended for export are sub-

mitted for examination;

"sound" means potatoes of which not more than one per centum by number show any blemish or any trace of rot, insect damage or other defects which may detract from the outward appearance of the potatoes or from their suitability for human consumption or for seed purposes.

3. No consignment of potatoes shall be passed as fit for export if

such consignment—

(a) contains potatoes which are infested with Phthorimaea oper-

culella Zell. (Tuber Moth, known locally as Lita);

- (b) contains potatoes which are attacked by such other pests or diseases as may be scheduled by notice in the Gazette from time to time;
- (c) contains potatoes which in the opinion of the produce inspector are not likely to arrive at the destination to which they are consigned in marketable condition;

(d) contains more than one per centum of soil or other foreign

matter.

4.—(1) Any person who intends to export any potatoes shall give notice to the produce inspector stating the quantity of potatoes which it is proposed to export and the destination of the consignment. Such

notice shall be given and the consignment shall be presented for inspection sufficiently long in advance of the date upon which it is proposed to export the same so as to permit of the inspection being carried out during normal working hours.

(2) The consignment properly packed and marked for export shall be stacked at a place of inspection in a manner suitable for inspection

as may be directed by the produce inspector.

(3) Inspection shall ordinarily be made within seven days immediately preceding the day of exportation, but the produce inspector may re-inspect the consignment at any time before exportation:

Provided that any consignment approved for export shall be subject to re-inspection if the consignment is not exported within seven days of the previous inspection.

- 5. The consignor shall pay to the Collector of Customs at the port of export a fee at the rate of one shilling per ton or part thereof of potatoes submitted for inspection or re-inspection.
- 6. All potatoes intended for export shall be graded into one of the following grades and each bag, box, crate or other container shall be stamped by the exporter with the name of the grade in which the potatoes are classified, that is to say:—
 - "Selected"
 - "Seed Potatoes"
 - "Certified Seed Potatoes"
 - "New Potatoes".
- 7.—(1) "Selected" grade potatoes shall comply with the following description :—
 - (a) the potatoes shall be of good quality and appearance and in sound condition;
 - (b) not more than one per centum by number of the potatoes shall be greenish in colour;
 - (c) the potatoes shall be free from sprouts;
 - (d) the potatoes shall not pass through a sieve with a mesh of $1\frac{1}{4}$ inches square:

Provided that the Director of Agriculture may order the separation of the potatoes into the sizes "Large", "Medium" or "Small" as defined in paragraph (2) of this regulation. When the potatoes have been so separated the size of the potatoes in each package shall be clearly indicated by the words "Large", "Medium" or "Small" marked on the outside of each package containing such potatoes and the package so marked shall contain only the size so indicated.

(2) "Large" size potatoes are those which do not pass through a sieve with a mesh of $2\frac{1}{2}$ inches square.

"Medium" size potatoes are those which pass through a sieve with a mesh of $2\frac{1}{2}$ inches square but which do not pass through a sieve with a mesh of $1\frac{3}{4}$ inches square;

"Small" size potatoes are those which pass through a sieve with a mesh of $1\frac{3}{4}$ inches square but which do not pass through a sieve with a mesh of $1\frac{1}{4}$ inches square.

- 8.—(1) "Seed Potatoes" and "Certified Seed Potatoes" shall comply with the following description:—
 - (a) the potatoes shall be of good quality and appearance and in sound condition;

(b) not more than ten per centum by number of the potatoes shall fail to pass through a sieve with a mesh of $2\frac{1}{4}$ inches square and not more than ten per centum by number shall pass through a sieve with a mesh of $1\frac{1}{4}$ inches square:

Provided that the Director of Agriculture may dispense with this requirement when in his opinion the potatoes are of a size suitable for seed purposes in the market to which the

consignment is intended to be exported.

(2)—(a) There shall be marked on each package containing "Seed Potatoes" and "Certified Seed Potatoes" intended for export, in addition to the grade designation required under regulation 6, the name of the variety of the potatoes contained therein.

(b) All potatoes in each package shall be of the variety marked on such package as in regulation 8 (2) (a) provided, and shall be true

to the type of that variety.

(3) "Certified Seed Potatoes" shall in addition comply with the

following:-

In each package there shall be placed by the grower a certificate in the form shown in the First Schedule hereto issued by the Director of Agriculture, on which there shall be shown the name of the variety of the seed potatoes, the weight of the contents of the package and the certificate number allotted to the grower.

- 9. "New Potatoes" shall comply with the following description:—
- (a) the potatoes shall be of good quality and appearance and in sound condition;
- (b) the skins of the potatoes shall not be set but shall rub up readily when rubbed between the finger and thumb.
- 10.—(1) "Selected Potatoes", "Seed Potatoes" and "Certified Seed Potatoes" shall be packed in new clean bags, baskets, cardboard cartons, wooden crates or cases to the satisfaction of the produce inspector and the weight shall not be more than 40 okes in each package. "Selected" potatoes however may also be packed in clean used bags.

(2) The "New Potatoes" shall be packed in boxes with peat moss and other packing materials to the satisfaction of the produce inspector:

Provided that, with the authority in writing of the Director of Agriculture and subject to such conditions as he may impose, such potatoes may be exported in baskets or other packages.

- 11. Immediately after inspection in the case of "Certified Seed Potatoes" the produce inspector shall cause each container passed for export to be sealed with a metal seal, and shall further cause to be affixed to each container a label bearing the words "Department of Agriculture, Cyprus, Certified Seed Potatoes" together with the weight of the contents and the name of the variety of the potatoes contained therein.
- 12.—(1) The produce inspector may examine all or any of the packages in any consignment of potatoes presented for export, but he shall not refuse to issue an inspection certificate unless he has examined not less than ten per centum of the consignment.
- (2) The produce inspector shall issue to the exporter in respect of any potatoes which have been passed for export an inspection certificate in the form set out in the Second Schedule hereto.
- 13. Any consignment of potatoes which the produce inspector has refused to pass for export shall be removed from the place of inspection immediately, provided that the produce inspector may at his discretion allow such potatoes to be sorted and re-selected at the place of inspection,

- 14. The inspection shed shall in all respects be under the control of the produce inspector and, with the exception of the exporter whose consignment is undergoing inspection, no member of the public shall have access thereto except on the express permission of the produce inspector.
- 15. On the presentation of the Customs Export Specification the produce inspector shall enter thereon, in respect of any potatoes which he may have passed as fit for export, the amount of the fees payable for inspection or re-inspection, and issue to the exporter a grading slip giving full particulars of the consignment which has been passed for export. The Customs Authorities shall not permit the export of any potatoes unless the relative grading slip has been produced to them and the fees therein mentioned are paid.
- 16. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in these regulations contained, the Director of Agriculture may—
 - (a) allow, under such restrictions and conditions as he may in each case impose, the export, for special purposes, of a consignment of potatoes which do not conform to these regulations;
 - (b) if satisfied that any special packing of potatoes is required for any market outside Cyprus, direct, by notice in the Gazette, that the packing of potatoes may be altered or modified in such manner as may be contained in the notice, so as to meet the requirements of such market.

Gazettes: 23.8.1935 Suppl. No 3: 11.6.1937 10.6.1949 17. The Agricultural Produce (Potato) Export Regulations, 1935 to 1949, are hereby revoked.

FIRST SCHEDULE.

(Regulations 2 and 8 (3).)

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, CYPRUS.
CERTIFIED SEED POTATOES.

Variety	 	40	okes	(50.9	kg.)
Cartificate No					

SECOND SCHEDULE. (Regulation 12 (2).)

Government of Cyprus.

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE.

Inspection Certificate.

POTATOES.

It is hereby certified that the potatoes comprising the consignment of which particulars are given below were grown in Cyprus and have been inspected by me, a duly authorized Produce Inspector, and have been passed for export in the Grade shown.

It is further certified that the following pests and disease do not occur in Cyprus: Vine Phylloxera (Phylloxera vastatrix), Colorado Beetle (Leptinotarsa (Doryphora) decembineata), Flea Beetle (Epitrix cucumeris) and Wart Disease (Synchytrium endobioticum) and that this

consignment is passed for export	in	the	belief	that	it	is	free	from	Tuber
Moth (Phthorimaea operculella).									

Produce Inspector.

Note: No liability attaches either to the Government of Cyprus or to any of its Departments or officers in respect of this certificate.

Made this 18th day of June, 1951.

(M.P. 825/49/2.)

A. F. J. REDDAWAY, Clerk of the Executive Council.

No. 315. THE CUSTOMS LAWS, 1936 TO (No. 3) 1948.

NOTIFICATION UNDER SECTION 66.

It is hereby notified that, by virtue of the powers vested in the Governor by section 66 of the Customs Laws, 1936 to (No. 3) 1948, and duly deputed to me, I, the Colonial Secretary, hereby approve the premises described in the first column of the Schedule hereto, belonging to the Government of Cyprus and occupied by the Cyprus Airways Ltd., to be a private warehouse for the warehousing of the goods specified in the second column of the said Schedule without payment of import duties upon the first entry of such goods therein.

SCHEDULE.

Description of the premises	Goods to be warehoused			
A store situated at Nicosia Civil Airport, adjacent to the Cyprus Airways Duty Engineer's Shop on the Terminal Site, to the East of the Main Passenger Handling Block.	Tobacco, Cigarettes, Wines, Spirits, Chocolate, Chewing gum and aircraft bar requisites.			

^{2.} This approval shall be deemed to have taken effect as from the 21st May, 1951.

Nicosia, 12th June, 1951. J. Fletcher-Cooke, *Colonial Secretary*. (M.P. 589/41/7.)