

No. 447.

## THE AGRICULTURAL PRODUCE (EXPORT) LAW.

CAP. 39 AND LAW 50 OF 1954.

## REGULATIONS MADE UNDER SECTION 8.

Cap. 39  
50 of 1954.

In exercise of the powers vested in him by section 8 of the Agricultural Produce (Export) Law, His Excellency the Governor, with the advice of the Executive Council, has been pleased to make the following regulations :—

P.I. :  
47/1956  
141/1958.

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Agricultural Produce (Export) (Amendment) Regulations, 1959, and shall be read as one with the Agricultural Produce (Export) Regulations, 1956 and 1958 (hereinafter referred to as "the principal Regulations") and the principal Regulations and these Regulations may together be cited as the Agricultural Produce (Export) Regulations, 1956 to 1959.

2. Regulation 7 (1) of the principal Regulations shall be deleted and the following substituted therefor :—

"Presenta-  
tion  
for inspec-  
tion at the  
port of  
loading.

7.—(1) Produce for export shall be presented for inspection at a place of inspection at the port of loading sufficiently ahead of the time of shipment as to enable the inspection of the produce to be carried out in daylight. Each and every consignment of such produce shall be fully offloaded by the exporter into the Customs Area before inspection shall take place and shall be stacked by the exporter in such a manner as the inspector may direct :

Presentation  
for check-  
inspection  
at the port  
of loading.

Provided that produce for export previously inspected at a licensed packing house and presented for final inspection in accordance with the requirements of regulation 8 (3) may at the discretion of the Inspector be exempted from the requirements that the whole of the consignment shall be offloaded before inspection, in which case it shall be sufficient to offload such per centum, not being less than three per centum, of the packages making up the consignment, as the inspector shall direct."

Produce  
inspected in  
a licensed  
packing  
house.

3. Regulation 8 of the principal Regulations shall be deleted and the following substituted therefor :—

"Cap. 39  
and 50  
of 1954.

8.—(1) Any licensed packing house shall be deemed to be a place of inspection for the purpose of the Law.

Inspector's  
control  
mark of  
approved  
design.  
Ninth  
Appendix.

(2) All containers containing produce packed and inspected in a licensed packing house shall be stamped or sealed in the licensed packing house under the direction of the inspector with a control mark of the approved type bearing the design as prescribed in the Ninth Appendix and also the number officially allotted to such inspector.

(3) Where any produce has been inspected in a licensed packing house, a final inspection (to be known as "check-inspection") shall always be carried out in the customs area of the port of loading and a certificate shall be issued as provided in regulation 15 of these Regulations :

Provided that produce found at the check-inspection to be unfit for export shall at the discretion of the inspector be treated as in regulation 7 (2) above."

4. Regulation 15 of the principal Regulations shall be deleted and the following substituted therefor :—

" Inspection  
and other  
certificates  
and loading  
procedure.  
Fourth  
Appendix.

15.—(1) Produce inspected at a licensed packing house shall be issued with an Interim Inspection Note as provided in the Fourth Appendix, which shall be surrendered to the inspector at the port of loading, who shall cause a check-inspection to be carried out and if satisfied shall issue the Inspection Check and the Inspection Certificate as required in sub-paragraphs (2) and (5) respectively of this regulation.

Third  
Appendix.

(2) Produce passed as fit for export may be loaded onto a ship only after an Inspection Check for every lorry or part load as prescribed in the Third Appendix has been issued by the inspector and handed to the person authorised by the Collector of Customs of the port to supervise the loading.

(3) The inspector may withdraw any Inspection Check issued and order reinspection of the consignment in question.

(4) The inspector may at his discretion withhold the issue of an Inspection Check for any load of produce if, owing to weather conditions, it appears to him that the quality of such produce might be detrimentally affected in the course of being loaded onto the ship.

Second  
Appendix.

(5) When any consignment of produce has been passed for export the inspector shall issue to the consignor an Inspection Certificate in the form set out in the Second Appendix to these Regulations. Such certificate shall be made out in quadruplicate, the three copies to be given to the exporter or his agent and the fourth copy to be retained by the inspector.

Fifth  
Appendix.

(6) A Phytosanitary (Health) Certificate may be issued wherever the consignment conforms with all the requirements set out in the Fifth Appendix.

(7) No produce which has been passed for export, and in respect of which an Inspection Check or Inspection Certificate or other certificate has been issued, shall be removed from the place of inspection without the prior approval of the inspector, except for the purpose of being shipped."

5. Regulation 36 of the principal Regulations shall be deleted and the following substituted therefor :—

" Restriction  
on  
export of  
citrus fruit.

36.—(1) No citrus shall be passed for export if it:—

- (a) does not appear to have been properly graded before packing ;
- (b) has not had the stem cut in such a manner as to prevent injury to other citrus fruit packed in the same container ;
- (c) has a skin of such degree of thickness or roughness as to cause disfigurement which in the opinion of the inspector may detract from its marketability in the country to which it is consigned ;
- (d) is infested with any insect pest or disease to such an extent as to detract from its appearance ;
- (e) is substantially infested with Mediterranean Fruit Fly (*Ceratitidis capitata*) ;
- (f) shows signs of wastage or trace of deterioration or is of stale appearance ;
- (g) shows signs of fresh mechanical injuries ;
- (h) has been treated with a chemical substance in any way other than that previously approved by the Director."

6. In regulation 57 of the principal Regulations, after the word " type " shall be inserted the words " and capacity ".

7. In regulation 62 of the principal Regulations, after the word " type " shall be inserted the words " and capacity ".

8. Regulations 71, 72, 73 and 74 of the principal Regulations shall be deleted and the following substituted therefor :—

“ Packing of potatoes. 71. All potatoes intended for export shall be packed in clean new containers to the satisfaction of the inspector. Potatoes in each container shall be of the same variety and colour.

Packing of ‘ new potatoes ’. 72. Potatoes intended to be classified for export as ‘ new potatoes ’ :—

(a) if not shipped in refrigerated space, shall be packed in small baskets or cases of specifications approved by the Director, which shall be lined to the satisfaction of the inspector with paper, the potatoes being adequately protected with peat moss, woodwool or other similar material, or in cartons ;

(b) if shipped in refrigerated space, may be packed in any of the containers specified under sub-section (a) of this Regulation or in clean new bags.

Packing of ‘ ware potatoes ’. 73. Potatoes intended to be classified for export as ‘ ware potatoes ’ shall be packed in bags, baskets, cartons or cases, all of specifications approved by the Director.

Packing of seed and certified seed potatoes. 74. Potatoes intended to be classified for export as ‘ Certified Seed Potatoes ’ or as ‘ Seed Potatoes ’ shall be packed in accordance with regulation 73. In each package of ‘ Certified Seed Potatoes ’, which shall be sealed with the official seal of the Department, there shall be placed under the supervision of the inspector a certificate on which there shall be shown the name of the variety of the potatoes contained therein and the field number allotted to the grower by the Director of Agriculture.”

9. In regulation 78 of the principal Regulations the words “ Certified Seed Potatoes ” shall be deleted and the words “ Certified Seed Potatoes, Class A ” substituted therefor.

10. In regulation 100 of the principal Regulations the figure “ 8 ” shall be deleted and the figure “ 14 ” substituted therefor.

11. In regulation 102 (d) of the principal Regulations the entries relating to “ Ground Sumac ” and “ Sumac Leaves ” shall be deleted and the following entry substituted therefor :—

	<i>Per Cent.</i>
“ Sumac leaves or ground sumac ( <i>Rhus coriaria</i> ) .. .. .	5.5 (within which not more than 0.5 per cent may be foreign matter and not more than 5.0 per cent may be sumac stalks) ”.

12. In regulation 122 of the principal Regulations the words “ may be packed in new or clean second-hand bags ” shall be deleted and the words “ shall be packed in new bags ” substituted therefor.

13. Regulations 134, 135 and 136 of the principal Regulations shall be deleted and the following substituted therefor :—

“ Export of carobs. 134.—(1) Carobs (locust beans) may be exported as ‘ whole ’ or ‘ kibbled ’.

(2) Kibbled carobs shall consist of parts of carobs less than 2.5 cms. in square and may be classified into ‘ meal ’, ‘ medium ’ and ‘ cubes ’.

(3) No carobs shall be passed for export unless they are substantially free from infestation and are of fair average quality, in good condition, sound and marketable, and unless, the content of foreign and superfluous and inferior matter including wild carobs, does not exceed one per cent by weight.

Export of  
carob seed.

135. No carob seed shall be passed for export unless it is substantially free from infestation and of fair average quality, in good condition, sound and marketable, and unless the content of foreign and superfluous and inferior matter does not exceed three per cent by weight.

Packing and  
marking of  
containers  
of carobs  
and carob  
seed in-  
tended for  
export.

136. Carobs and carob seed may be packed in new or clean second-hand bags or in other containers to the satisfaction of the inspector. Such bags or containers shall be marked in accordance with regulation 6 of these Regulations and in addition there shall be marked on the outside thereof—

(i) in the case of carobs, the words 'whole' or 'kibbled', as the case may be, and if kibbled, the class of kibbling as provided in regulation 134 (2) of these Regulations;

(ii) in the case of carob seed, the words 'carob seed' or 'locust bean seed' at the discretion of the exporter: Provided that it shall not be necessary to mark on each container the weight of the produce".

14. The Second Appendix to the principal Regulations shall be amended by the addition at the foot thereof of the following Note :—

" NOTE.

*(This note is not part of the Inspection Certificate).*

The Director may at his discretion, subject to the concurrence of the Director of Agriculture, from time to time add to, delete from or vary the list of pests and diseases certified as not occurring in Cyprus."

15. The Fifth Appendix to the principal Regulations shall be amended by the addition at the foot thereof of the following Note :—

" NOTE.

*(This note is not part of the Phytosanitary (Health) Certificate).*

The Director may at his discretion, subject to the concurrence of the Director of Agriculture, from time to time add to, delete from or vary the list of pests and diseases certified as not occurring in Cyprus."

16. The principal Regulations shall be amended by the addition of the following Appendix :—

Control  
mark.  
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Appendix.

" NINTH APPENDIX.

GOVERNMENT OF CYPRUS.

AGRICULTURAL PRODUCE (EXPORT) REGULATIONS.

CONTROL MARK.

(Regulation 8 (2).)

(Design of Control Mark)



Made at Nicosia, this 22nd day of September, 1959.

By Command of His Excellency the Governor,

A. F. BATES,  
Financial Secretary.

(D.C.I. 45.)