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(SHEPHERDS' LICENSING AND CONTROL)**

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## CHAPTER 91.

## SHEPHERDS' LICENSING AND CONTROL.

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A LAW TO AMEND AND CONSOLIDATE THE LAWS RELATING  
TO THE LICENSING OF SHEPHERDS AND TO MAKE  
PROVISION FOR THE BETTER CONTROL OF FLOCKS.

1949,  
Cap. 157.  
22 of 58.

[9th September, 1948.]

Short title.

1. This Law may be cited as the Sheep and Goats (Shepherds' Licensing and Control) Law.

Interpre-  
tation.

2. (1) In this Law—

“ animal ” means any sheep or goat but does not include their unweaned offspring;

“ Commissioner ” means the Commissioner of the District;

“ enclosure ” means any field, mandra, yard or any other place so fenced as to prevent any animal therein from getting out of the same;

“ flock ”, except where by a notice made under subsection (2) of this section it is otherwise directed, means a flock consisting of six or more animals.

(2) The Commissioner may, by notice published in the Gazette, direct that in the application of this Law to any area specified in such notice, "flock" shall mean a flock of three or more animals and, whilst such notice remains in force, the term flock shall, in relation to the area specified in the notice, be read and construed accordingly.

3. No person shall have in his charge or control any flock outside an enclosure unless such person—

No person to be in charge of flock outside an enclosure without a licence and badge.

(a) is the holder of a licence issued by the Commissioner (hereinafter referred to as the "shepherd's licence"); and

(b) wears a badge of such form and in such manner as the Governor may prescribe.

4. (1) Any person who desires to obtain a shepherd's licence shall make an application in writing to the Commissioner specifying his name, age, residence and the maximum number of animals in respect of which he wishes to obtain such licence.

Shepherd's licence.

(2) On receipt of such application, the Commissioner may, in his discretion, but subject to the provisions of section 8 of this Law, issue a licence in the Form A in the Schedule hereto specifying the number of animals, not exceeding eighty, in respect of which the licence is granted :

Schedule Form A.

Provided that the Commissioner may, in his discretion, by an endorsement on a shepherd's licence, increase the number of animals specified therein for such period and in respect of any specified area or locality and on such terms and conditions as to him may seem fit but such endorsement may be revoked by the Commissioner at any time.

(3) The Commissioner shall register every shepherd's licence issued by him in a book to be kept for the purpose, wherein he shall enter the particulars contained in such licence.

(4) A fee of two shillings shall be paid in respect of a shepherd's licence.

5. (1) Notwithstanding anything in this Law contained, the mukhtar of the village within the lands of which a shepherd resides for the time being, may issue to any person, otherwise qualified to hold a shepherd's licence under the provisions of this Law, a temporary permit in

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Schedule  
Form B.

the Form B in the Schedule hereto for any period not exceeding one week authorizing such person to be in charge of a flock consisting of such number of animals as may be specified in the permit during the temporary absence of the licensed shepherd who is ordinarily in charge of such flock:

Provided that if a mukhtar is unable or unwilling or neglects or refuses to issue such a temporary permit as provided in this section, the Commissioner or his duly authorized representative may issue such temporary permit himself.

(2) A fee of fifty mils shall be paid to the mukhtar in respect of a temporary permit:

Provided that where the temporary permit is issued by the Commissioner or his duly authorized representative such fee shall be paid to the Commissioner in such manner as the Commissioner may direct and shall form part of the revenues of the Colony.

Destruction,  
etc., of  
shepherd's  
licence.

6. If any shepherd's licence shall be destroyed, defaced or lost the Commissioner if satisfied as to the destruction, defacement or loss shall, upon payment of one hundred mils, supply the person in whose name the shepherd's licence had been issued with a duplicate of such licence and such duplicate shall have the same force and effect as the original licence:

Provided that the Commissioner may, at any time after the expiration of two years from the date of the issue of any shepherd's licence, issue to the holder of such licence a new shepherd's licence free of any charge.

Shepherd to  
carry and  
produce  
licence or  
permit.

7. A shepherd shall, at all times, carry his shepherd's licence, or permit issued under section 5 of this Law, and shall, when requested to do so, produce the same for inspection to any officer of the District Administration, police officer, mukhtar or rural constable.

No licence to  
persons  
under  
sixteen.

8. (1) No person shall be granted a shepherd's licence who is under sixteen years of age.

(2) Any shepherd's licence, granted by mistake to any person who is under sixteen years of age, shall be void and of no effect.

9. The Commissioner may, at any time, cancel or suspend any shepherd's licence or reduce the number of animals in respect of which such licence was granted.

Cancellation, etc., of shepherd's licence.

10. Any person aggrieved by—

Appeals to the Governor.

- (a) the refusal of the Commissioner to grant a shepherd's licence;
- (b) the cancellation by the Commissioner of a shepherd's licence;
- (c) the suspension by the Commissioner of a shepherd's licence for any period exceeding two months ;  
or
- (d) the reduction of the number of animals in respect of which the shepherd's licence was granted to less than one-half of the number specified in such licence,

may, within fifteen days from the date of notification of the decision of the Commissioner upon any matter as in this section mentioned, appeal to the Governor whose decision thereon shall be final and conclusive.

11. (1) No flock shall be taken outside any enclosure unless such flock is provided with bells in a proportion of one bell to at least every ten animals.

Flocks to be provided with bells.

(2) Any person in charge of a flock which is not provided with bells in accordance with the provisions of subsection (1) of this section, and the owner of such flock, shall be guilty of an offence and shall be liable to a fine not exceeding ten pounds.

12. The Commissioner may, by notice published in the Gazette, direct that, as respects any area as may be specified in the notice and for as long as the notice remains in force, flocks shall, between the hours of sunset and sunrise, be kept inside an enclosure and not taken outside an enclosure:

Power to Commissioners to restrict movement of flocks.

Provided that nothing in any such notice contained shall prevent the driving of any flock, under the proper charge of a licensed shepherd from one village area to another, along any public road, at any hour.

Penalties  
for certain  
offences.

**13.** Any person who—

- (a) acts in contravention of section 3 or 7 of this Law ;
- (b) acts in contravention of a notice under section 12 of this Law ;
- (c) is, outside an enclosure, in charge of any animals in excess of the number of animals specified in his licence or permit ;
- (d) being the holder of a shepherd's licence or of a permit issued under section 5 of this Law and in charge of a flock, leaves such flock unattended outside an enclosure,

shall be guilty of an offence and shall be liable to imprisonment not exceeding three months or to a fine not exceeding ten pounds or to both.

Liability  
of owner of  
flock in  
certain  
cases.

**14.** If any flock is found outside an enclosure unattended or under the charge of a person other than a person who is the holder of a shepherd's licence or of a permit issued under section 5 of this Law or is found outside an enclosure in contravention of a notice under section 12 of this Law, the owner of such flock, whether any other person has or has not been prosecuted in connection therewith, shall, unless he establishes to the satisfaction of the Court that the flock was so outside an enclosure against his express authority or directions, be guilty of an offence and shall be liable to imprisonment not exceeding three months or to a fine not exceeding ten pounds or to both and the Court may order that a part of the flock in respect of which the offence has been committed, not exceeding the one-third thereof, shall be forfeited.

Impounding  
of flocks.

**15.** Any flock found outside an enclosure unattended or under the charge of any person other than a holder of a shepherd's licence or of a permit issued under the provisions of section 5 of this Law or is found outside an enclosure in contravention of a notice under section 12 of this Law, and any animals found in charge of a holder of a shepherd's licence or a permit issued under the provisions of section 5 of this Law in excess to the number specified in such licence or permit, may be impounded by any rural constable or temporary rural constable and the provisions of Part IV of the Rural Constables Law, or any Law amending or

substituted for the same, shall apply to such flock or animals as if they were a flock or animals impounded under that Law.

16. Nothing in this Law shall apply to any person who—
- (a) at the request and under the personal supervision of a holder of a shepherd's licence or a permit issued under section 5 of this Law, assists him in the keeping or grazing of a flock outside any enclosure ;
  - (b) being employed by a butcher, drives a flock purchased by such butcher from the place of purchase to the slaughter-house of the butcher.

Law not to apply to certain persons.

17. Nothing in this Law shall prevent a prosecution under any other Law, but so that a person shall not be punished twice on the same set of facts.

Liability under other Law.

18. (1) Every licence issued under the provisions of the *Shepherds' Licensing Laws, 1935 and 1937* and subsisting on the coming into operation of this Law, shall be deemed to have been issued under the provisions of this Law ;

Saving.

(2) Badges and the manner in which they may be worn, prescribed under the *Shepherds' Licensing Laws, 1935 and 1937* shall be deemed to have been prescribed under the provisions of this Law.

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SCHEDULE.  
(Section 4 (2).)

FORM A.

*The Sheep and Goats (Shepherds' Licensing and Control) Law, Cap. 91.*

SHEPHERD'S LICENCE.

No.

of is hereby licensed to be in charge of a flock consisting of not more than\* outside an enclosure.

Dated

Commissioner of

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\* Insert kind and number of animals.

FORM B.  
(Section 5.)

*The Sheep and Goats (Shepherds' Licensing and Control) Law, Cap. 91.*

TEMPORARY PERMIT.

No.

of is hereby authorized to be in charge of the flock ordinarily under the charge of of consisting of\* for a period of days from to-day outside an enclosure.

Dated

Commissioner/Mukhtar of

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\* Insert kind and number of animals.