

(No. 440.)

ORDER OF THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND TECHNICAL INSTRUCTION FOR IRELAND.

(DATED 29TH OCTOBER 1915.)

HAY AND STRAW (MOVEMENT FROM GREAT BRITAIN TO IRELAND) ORDER OF 1915.

The Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction for Ireland, by virtue and in exercise of the powers vested in them under the Agriculture and Technical Instruction (Ireland) Act, 1899, the Diseases of Animals Acts, 1894 to 1911, and of every other power enabling them in this behalf, do order, and it is hereby ordered, as follows:—

*Prohibition of Landing of Hay or Straw.*

1. Unless and until the Department otherwise order, the landing in Ireland of hay or straw brought from a port or place in Great Britain, is, except as hereinafter expressly provided for, hereby prohibited.

*Exceptions.*

2. This Order shall not apply to—

(a) hay or straw which at the time of importation is being used for packing merchandise;

(b) manufactured straw not intended for use as fodder or litter for animals;

(c) hay or straw certified by a competent military authority to be required and exclusively used for military purposes; or

(d) hay or straw grown in Scotland and imported direct from a port in Scotland and in respect of which a declaration to that effect, made by the importer or the consignor, is produced to an officer of Customs at the port of landing in Ireland.

*Offences.*

3. (1) If any hay or straw shall be landed in contravention of this Order, the owner thereof, and the owner and the lessee and the occupier of the place of landing, and the person causing, directing, or permitting the landing, and the owner and the charterer and the master of the vessel from which the same is landed, shall, each according to and in respect of his own acts and defaults, be deemed guilty of an offence against the Diseases of Animals Acts, 1894.

*Interpretation.*

4. In this Order

“The Department” means the Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction for Ireland.

The expression “animals” means horses, asses and mules, cattle, sheep, goats, and all other ruminating animals, and swine.

*Commencement.*

5 This Order shall come into operation on the 1st day of November, nineteen hundred and fifteen.

*Short Title.*

6. This Order may be cited as the HAY AND STRAW (MOVEMENT FROM GREAT BRITAIN TO IRELAND) ORDER OF 1915.

In witness whereof the Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction for Ireland have hereunto set their Official Seal this Twenty-ninth day of October, nineteen hundred and fifteen.

(Signed) T. P. GILL, Secretary.

DISEASES OF ANIMALS ACTS, 1894 TO 1914.

RETURN of OUTBREAKS of SWINE FEVER in SCOTLAND for the Week ended 30th October 1915, distinguishing Counties (including Burghs):—

COUNTY.	Outbreaks Confirmed.	Swine Slaughtered as Diseased or as having been Exposed to Infection.
	No.	No.
Perth ... ..	3	8
<b>TOTAL</b> ... ..	<b>3</b>	<b>3</b>

The following Areas are now “Scheduled Areas” for the purposes of the Swine Fever (Regulation of Movement) Order of 1908:—

*Aberdeenshire, &c.*—An Area comprising the Counties of Aberdeen, Argyll, Banff, Bute, Caithness, Clackmannan, Elgin, Fife, Forfar, Inverness, Kincardine, Kinross, Nairn, Orkney, Perth, Ross and Cromarty, Stirling, Sutherland, and Zetland, and the detached part of the County of Dumbarton; the Cities of Aberdeen, Dundee, and Perth; and the Burghs of Peterhead, Campbeltown, Elgin, Dunfermline, Kirkcaldy, Arbroath, Brechin, Forfar, Montrose, Inverness, Falkirk, and Stirling (1st October 1911).—See also under *Dumbartonshire, &c.*

*Argyllshire.*—See under *Aberdeenshire, &c.*

*Ayrshire.*—An Area comprising the County of Ayr, and the Burghs of Ayr, Irvine, and Kilmarnock (1st October 1911).

*Banffshire.*—See under *Aberdeenshire, &c.*

*Berwickshire, &c.*—An Area comprising the Counties of Berwick, Roxburgh, and Selkirk, and the Burghs of Hawick and Galashiels, and also comprising the Parish of Stow, in the County of Midlothian (1st October 1911).

*Buteshire.*—See under *Aberdeenshire, &c.*

*Caithness.*—See under *Aberdeenshire, &c.*

*Clackmannan.*—See under *Aberdeenshire, &c.*

*Dumbartonshire, &c.*—An Area comprising the