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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND FISHERIES
FOR SCOTLANDTHE IMPORTED FOOD (SCOTLAND) REGULATIONS 1985
HEALTH MARK : PORTUGAL

THE Secretary of State for Scotland in exercise of the powers conferred on him by the Imported Food (Scotland) Regulations 1985 (SI 1985, No 913), gives notice that he hereby recognises, subject to the conditions hereinafter set out, the health marks described in Part 1 of the Schedule hereto for the importation from Portugal of meat and meat products as showing:

- (a) that the fresh meat to which they relate, or the meat from which the meat product to which they relate was prepared, was derived from mammals or birds inspected before and immediately after death and passed in accordance with criteria satisfactory to the Ministers; and
- (b) that the dressing, packing and other preparation of the fresh meat or meat product was carried out with all necessary precaution for the prevention of danger to health.

1. Recognition of the health mark is extended to include:—

For bovine animals: whole (skinned) heads, which may have been split for inspection purposes, brains, tongues and cheek meat (internal and external masseters).

For swine: whole (skinned or scalded and depilated) heads, which may have been split for inspection purposes, and head meat in pieces each weighing not less than 100 grammes.

For sheep, goats and solipeds: whole (skinned) heads which may have been split for inspection purposes, and head meat in pieces each weighing not less than 100 grammes.

For poultry: whole (plucked) heads which remain naturally attached to the carcase.

2. The said health marks are recognised subject to the following conditions:—

- (i) recognition applied only to fresh meat and meat products imported from Portugal but does not apply to any such meat derived from mammals or birds killed when wild;
- (ii) where the health marks are in the form of stamps or labels, recognition will apply only if the stamps or labels have not in any other circumstances or on any other occasion been used as a health mark.

Recognition of the health marks is restricted to the extent shown in Part 2 of the Schedule hereto.

The Notice published in the Edinburgh Gazette dated 8th April 1988 is hereby revoked.

PART 1

1. For fresh meat of domestic bovine animals (including buffalo), pigs, sheep, goats and solipeds, and for wet salted casings from domestic bovine animals (including buffalo), pigs, sheep, goats and solipeds the health mark shall consist of:—

- (a) either an oval mark at least 6.5 cm wide by 4.5 cm high bearing the following information in perfectly legible characters:
 - on the upper part, the initial of the consigning country (as a capital) ie P followed by the veterinary approval number of the establishment;
 - on the lower part, one of the following sets of initials: CEE, EEG, EWG, EØF, EEC or EOK.
- (b) or an oval mark at least 6.5 cm wide by 4.5 cm high, bearing the following information in perfectly legible characters:
 - on the upper part, the name of the consigning country in capitals.

- in the centre, the veterinary approval number of the establishment,
- on the lower part, one of the following sets of initials: CEE, EEG, EWG, EØF, EEC or EOK.

The letters must be at least 0.8 cm high and the figures at least 1 cm high.

The health mark may, in addition, include an indication of the official veterinarian who carried out the health inspection of the meat.

2. For meat of domestic swine, the health mark shall be as described at 1 above, but may be covered by two parallel straight lines, with a distance of 1 cm at least, crossing the oval stamp along the main diameter and the information thereon remaining legible, and the two parallel lines being evident at the external edge of the mark.

3. For poultry meat the health mark shall consist of:—

For individually packed carcasses or offal packed in small quantities;

- (a) — on the upper part, the first two letters in latin script (in capitals) of the name of the country ie PO;
 - in the centre, the veterinary approval number of the slaughterhouse or, where appropriate, the cutting premises;
 - on the lower part one of the following sets of initials: CEE, EEG, EWG, EØF, EEC or EOK. The letters and figures must be 0.2 cm high.

For large packages containing carcasses, parts of carcasses or offal;

- (a) within an oval 6.5 x 4.5 cm containing the information listed in (a) above.
 - The letters must be 0.8 cm high and the figures 1.1 cm high.

4. For meat products the health mark must give the following particulars within an oval surround:—

- above
 - the initial of the exporting country (as a capital); ie P, followed by the approval number of the establishment;
- below
 - one of the following sets of initials; CEE, EEG, EWG, EØF, EEC, EOK.

The health mark may be applied to the product, wrapping or packaging by inking or branding, or it may be printed on or applied to the label.

PART 2

For fresh meat: to health marks completed by the insertion of the following establishment numbers:—

Slaughterhouses
M-04, M-05, M-47.

Wet salted casings can be accepted from the above numbered slaughterhouse.

For poultry meat: to health marks completed by the insertion of one of the following establishment numbers:—

Slaughterhouses and cutting premises
CE-8, CE-30, CES-91, CES-8.

Slaughterhouses
C-121

For meat products derived in whole or in part from poultry meat: to health marks completed by the insertion of one of the following establishment numbers:—

CES-91, CE-8, CES-8.

For casings only

5-212, 7-168, 7-869, 8-179, 8-757.