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**THE RABIES (MUZZLING OF DOGS)
ORDER OF 1889.**

By the Board of Agriculture.

THE Board of Agriculture, by virtue and in exercise of the powers in them vested under The Board of Agriculture Act, 1889, and The Contagious Diseases (Animals) Acts, 1878 to 1886, and of every other power enabling them in this behalf, do order, and it is hereby ordered, as follows :

Short Title.

1. This Order may be cited as **THE RABIES (MUZZLING OF DOGS) ORDER OF 1889.**

Extent and Enforcement.

2. This Order applies to and shall be in force in the Districts of the Local Authorities mentioned in the Schedule to this Order, and to any other District or part of a District of a Local Authority to which this Order may at any time be applied by any further Order of the Board of Agriculture, and shall be enforced by each of such Local Authorities within their District.

Commencement and Duration.

3. This Order shall commence and take effect from and immediately after the thirty-first day of December, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-nine; and shall continue to have effect and to apply to each of the Districts mentioned in the Schedule to this Order until this Order is declared by further Order of the Board to cease to apply to such District.

Interpretation.

4. In this Order—

Public place includes any street, highway, thoroughfare, public bridge, royal park, public park garden or pleasure ground, common, uninclosed land, or other place to which the public have for the time being access :

The Act of 1878 means The Contagious Diseases (Animals) Act, 1878 :

Other terms have the same meaning as in The Rabies Order of 1887.

Slaughter of Dogs Affected with or Suspected of Rabies.

5. The Local Authority shall cause all dogs affected with or suspected of rabies or having been bitten by a dog affected with or suspected of rabies within their District to be forthwith slaughtered.

Muzzling of Dogs.

6.—(1.) No dog shall be allowed to be in or on any public place unless such dog is muzzled with a muzzle so constructed as to render it impossible for such dog while wearing the same to bite any person or animal, but not so as to prevent such dog from breathing freely or lapping water.

(2.) If any dog is found in or on any public place without being muzzled in manner prescribed by this Article, the person for the time being in charge of the dog, and the owner thereof, and the person allowing the same to be in or on such public place in contravention of this Article, shall, each according to and in respect of his own acts and defaults, be deemed guilty of an offence against the Act of 1878.

(3.) Provided that the provisions of this Article shall not apply to—

(a.) Packs of hounds or greyhounds while being exercised or used for sporting purposes, or other sporting dogs while being used for sporting purposes, or any dogs while being used for the capture or destruction of vermin, and in every case in charge of competent persons.

(b.) Dogs while being taken to or from Exhibitions, Shows, or other places if such dogs are confined in boxes, cages, crates, baskets, or hampers so constructed as to render it impossible for such dogs while so confined to bite any person or animal.

Seizure, Detention, and Disposal of Stray Dogs and of Dogs not Muzzled.

7. The Local Authority shall cause all stray dogs, and all dogs not muzzled in accordance with the provisions of this Order, found within their

District, to be seised, and such dogs so seised shall be dealt with as follows :

- (i.) If the dog is affected with, or suspected of, rabies it shall be forthwith slaughtered.
- (ii.) If the dog is not affected with, or suspected of, rabies it shall be detained in some proper place and be there kept for such period as the Local Authority think expedient : Provided that where the person having charge of or the owner of a dog so detained is known, the Local Authority shall cause notice to be forthwith given to such person or owner of the fact of the dog having been so seised and detained, and the dog shall, without prejudice to the recovery of any penalty for the infringement of this Order, be given up to such person or owner on payment of the reasonable expenses incurred by the Local Authority in respect of such detention.
- (iii.) If the dog so seised and detained has not been claimed by such person or owner within three days after the seizure, or where such person or owner is known within two days after the aforesaid notice has been given, the Local Authority may cause the dog to be slaughtered or otherwise disposed of in such manner as the Local Authority deem expedient.

Food and Water during Detention.

8. A Local Authority, or an Inspector, officer, or constable detaining a dog under this Order shall cause it to be supplied with requisite food and water during its detention ; and the expenses incurred by the Local Authority, or by the Inspector, officer, or constable in respect thereof may be recovered summarily by the Local Authority from the person having charge of the dog or from its owner.

Expenses of Local Authority.

9.—(1.) All expenses incurred in respect of the seizure or detention of any dog under the authority of this Order shall be defrayed by the Local Authority within whose District the dog was seised and such expenses and all other expenses incurred in carrying out the provisions of this Order shall be expenses of the Local Authority for the purposes of the Act of 1878.

(2.) A Local Authority, in any case where a dog is detained under the provisions of this Order, may recover summarily from the person having charge of the dog or from its owner the expenses incurred in respect of the detention of such dog.

Temporary Suspension of Local Authority's Special Regulations as to Dogs.

10. The operation of any Regulation made by a Local Authority under Article 12 of The Rabies Order of 1887 (*Special Regulations of Local Authority as to Dogs*) or under Article 10 of The Rabies Order of 1886 and continued by the said Order of 1887, or under The Rabies (Amendment) Order of 1889, is hereby, so far as any such Regulation may be applicable to any District to which this Order applies, suspended for the period during which this Order applies to such District.

General Provisions of The Rabies Order of 1887.

11. Subject to the last foregoing Article of this Order, all the provisions of The Rabies Order of 1887 shall, so far as the same are applicable, continue to apply, during the con-

tinuance of this Order, to the Districts to which this Order applies.

In witness whereof the Board of Agriculture have hereunto set their Official Seal this seventeenth day of December, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-nine.

L. S.

G. A. Leach,
Secretary.

SCHEDULE.

Districts of Local Authorities to which this Order applies.

County of Chester.
Borough of Birkenhead.
Borough of Chester.
Borough of Congleton.
Borough of Crewe.
Borough of Hyde.
Borough of Macclesfield.
Borough of Stalybridge.
Borough of Stockport.

County of Essex.
Borough of Colchester.
Borough of West Ham.

County of Hertford.
Borough of St. Albans.

County of Kent.
Borough of Canterbury.
Borough of Dover.
Borough of Folkestone.
Borough of Gravesend.
Borough of Maidstone.
Borough of Margate.
Borough of Ramsgate.
Borough of Rochester.
Borough of Tunbridge Wells.

County of Lancaster.
Borough of Accrington.
Borough of Ashton-under-Lyne.
Borough of Bacup.
Borough of Barrow-in-Furness.
Borough of Blackburn.
Borough of Blackpool.
Borough of Bolton.
Borough of Bootle-cum-Linacre.
Borough of Burnley.
Borough of Bury.
Borough of Chorley.
Borough of Clitheroe.
Borough of Darwen.
Borough of Heywood.
Borough of Lancaster.
Borough of Liverpool.
Borough of Manchester.
Borough of Middleton.
Borough of Mossley.
Borough of Oldham.
Borough of Preston.
Borough of Rochdale.
Borough of St. Helens.
Borough of Salford.
Borough of Southport.
Borough of Warrington.
Borough of Wigan.

County of London.
City of London.

County of Middlesex.

County of Surrey.
Borough of Croydon.
Borough of Guildford.
Borough of Kingston-on-Thames.
Borough of Reigate.
West Riding of the county of York.
Borough of Barnsley.
Borough of Batley.
Borough of Bradford.

Borough of Dewsbury.
Borough of Doncaster.
Borough of Halifax.
Borough of Huddersfield.
Borough of Keighley.
Borough of Leeds.
Borough of Morley.
Borough of Rotherham.
Borough of Sheffield.
Borough of Wakefield.

