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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.

#### Seisure, 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