

land, or in a field or place insufficiently fenced.

(2.) Notwithstanding anything in this Order an animal exposed or otherwise dealt with in contravention of this Article may be moved by or under the direction of an Inspector of the Local Authority to some convenient and isolated place.

*Movement of Animals &c. with Licence of Board.*

12. Notwithstanding anything in this Order, any animal, carcase, or thing may be moved in any circumstances with a Licence of an Inspector or officer of the Board, which Licence will only be granted where the Board, after inquiry, are satisfied that exceptional circumstances render the movement necessary or expedient.

*Powers of Board of Agriculture.*

13. Any powers by this Order conferred upon a Local Authority or an Inspector of a Local Authority may at any time be exercised by the Board or an Inspector of the Board respectively.

*Local Authority to enforce Order.*

14. The provisions of this Order, except where it is otherwise provided, shall be executed and enforced by the Local Authority.

*Weekly Returns of Anthrax.*

15. When an Inspector of a Local Authority finds that anthrax exists, or has existed, in his district, he shall forthwith make a return thereof to the Local Authority and to the Board, on a form provided by the Board, with all particulars therein required, and shall continue to so make a return thereof on the Saturday of every week until the disease has ceased.

*Extension of certain Sections of Diseases of Animals Act, 1894.*

16. Horses, asses, and mules (as well as the animals specified in the Act of 1894) shall be animals, and anthrax (that is to say, the disease called or known as anthrax, splenic fever, or splenic apoplexy of animals) shall be a disease, for the purposes of the following sections of the Act of 1894 (namely):

Section forty-three (powers of police);

Section forty-four (powers of inspectors);

and also for the purposes of all other sections of the said Act containing provisions relative to or consequent on the provisions of those sections and this Order, including such sections as relate to offences and legal proceedings.

*Presumption of Knowledge of Disease.*

17. Where the owner or person in charge of an animal is charged with an offence against the Act of 1894 relative to anthrax, he shall be presumed to have known of the existence of that disease, unless and until he shows, to the satisfaction of the Court, that he had not knowledge thereof and could not with reasonable diligence have obtained that knowledge.

*Offences.*

18.—(1.) If an animal or any thing is moved in contravention of this Order, the owner of the animal or thing, and the person for the time being in charge thereof, and the person causing, directing, or permitting the movement, and the person moving or conveying the animal or thing, and the owner and the charterer and the master of the vessel in which it is moved, and the consignee or other person receiving or keeping it knowing it to have been moved in contravention as aforesaid, and the occupier of the place from which the animal or thing is moved, shall, each according to and in respect of his own acts and defaults, be deemed guilty of an offence against the Act of 1894.

(2.) If a carcase is removed or buried or destroyed or otherwise dealt with in contravention of this Order, the owner of the carcase, and the person for the time being in charge thereof, and the person causing, directing, or permitting the carcase to be so removed, buried, destroyed, or otherwise dealt with, and the consignee or other person receiving or keeping it knowing it to have been removed in contravention as aforesaid, shall, each according to and in respect of his own acts and defaults, be deemed guilty of an offence against the Act of 1894.

(3.) If a person, with a view to unlawfully evade or defeat the operation of this Order, allows an animal to stray, he shall be deemed guilty of an offence against the Act of 1894.

*Interpretation.*

19. In this Order, unless the context otherwise requires,—

“The Board” means the Board of Agriculture:  
“The Act of 1894” means the Diseases of Animals Act, 1894:

“Animals” includes, with the animals specified in the Act of 1894 (that is cattle, sheep, and goats, and all other ruminating animals, and swine), horses, asses, and mules:

“Disease” means anthrax, and “diseased animal” or “suspected animal” means an animal affected with, or suspected of, anthrax:

“Inspector” includes Veterinary Inspector:

“Carcase” means the carcase of an animal, and includes part of a carcase, and the meat, flesh, bones, hide, skin, hoofs, horns, offal, or other part of an animal, separately or otherwise, or any portion thereof:

Other terms have the same meaning as in the Act of 1894.

*Revocation of Order.*

20. The Order described in the Schedule to this Order and any Regulations made by a Local Authority thereunder are hereby from and after the commencement of this Order revoked: Provided that such revocation shall not invalidate or make unlawful anything done under the Order or Regulations hereby revoked, or affect any licence or authority granted, or any right, title, obligation, or liability accrued thereunder before the commencement of this Order, or interfere with the institution or prosecution of any proceeding in respect of any offence committed against, or any penalty incurred under, the Order or Regulations hereby revoked before the commencement of this Order.

*Extent.*

21. This Order extends to Great Britain.

*Commencement.*

22. This Order shall come into operation on the first day of March, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine.

*Short Title.*

23. This Order may be cited as the ANTHRAX ORDER OF 1899.

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

L. S.

T. H. Elliott,  
Secretary.