

# Therapeutic Substances Regulations 1937

**GN 35/1937**  
**(Lane 1/436)**

## Section 17

### ANIMAL DISEASES ACT

#### 1. Labelling of therapeutic substances intended for veterinary purposes

The landing in Mauritius from any other country of any of the therapeutic substances (as set out in the First Schedule of these regulations) is hereby prohibited unless the substance is contained in a receptacle bearing a label on which is printed or written in indelible ink a full and clear description of the true nature of the substance and an indication of the place and country in which it was prepared, and unless, if the therapeutic substance is contagious abortion vaccine, live or dead, the landing of it has been authorised by a licence issued in accordance with regulation 2 hereof.

#### 2. Licence to land contagious abortion vaccine

The landing in Mauritius from any other country of contagious abortion vaccine, live or dead, which is contained in a receptacle bearing a label as required by regulation 1 hereof may be authorised by a licence (hereinafter referred to as a "landing licence") granted by the Chief Agricultural Officer and such a licence may contain such conditions as the Chief Agricultural Officer thinks necessary for the purpose of preventing the introduction or spread of disease, and for the termination, renewal, suspension or revocation of the licence.

Amended by [\[GN No. 189 of 1968\]](#)

#### 3. Powers of Inspector, detention of vaccine

If an Inspector has reason to believe that there is on any premises any contagious abortion vaccine which has been landed in Mauritius from any other country, he may-

(1) at all reasonable times enter and inspect the premises and examine any vaccine therein and take samples of any vaccine therein for the purpose of testing; and

(2) serve a notice in the Form A set out in the Second Schedule hereto (hereinafter called a "detention notice") upon the owner or person in charge or importer of any vaccine, requiring him not to move or allow the removal of such vaccine as may be specified in the notice, from the premises in which it is, or to use it or allow it to be used for any purpose, until a further notice is served upon him either withdrawing the detention notice, or giving directions as to the disposal of the vaccine, as hereinafter provided.

#### 4. Power to require destruction or export of vaccine illegally landed

If after a sample of any vaccine has been tested, the Chief Agricultural Officer is satisfied that the vaccine is contagious abortion vaccine which has been landed in contravention

of these regulations, an Inspector shall, if so instructed by the Chief Agricultural Officer and without prejudice to the imposition of any penalty for the contravention of these regulations, serve upon the owner or person in charge or importer of any of that vaccine or of any consignment thereof from which the sample was taken, a notice (in the Form B set out in the Second Schedule hereto) requiring him to destroy forthwith the vaccine or the consignment, or so much thereof as may be specified in the notice, at his own expense and without payment of compensation:

Provided that, if the notice requires destruction or exportation of part only of any vaccine in respect of which a detention notice has been served, it shall also withdraw the detention notice in respect of the remainder of each vaccine.

**Amended by [\[GN No. 189 of 1968\]](#)**

#### **5. Service of notice after detention notice**

Where a detention notice has been served upon any person, an Inspector shall, as soon as practicable, serve upon him either a notice under regulation 4 hereof or a notice (in the Form C set out in the Second Schedule hereto) withdrawing the detention notice.

#### **6. Interpretation**

In these regulations, the expression "contagious abortion vaccine" means any preparation containing or derived from organisms of the Brucella group or their toxins and intended for use in the prevention or treatment of disease in cattle, horses, sheep, goats or swine, and the expression "Inspector" means an officer of the Veterinary Division of the Ministry of Agriculture and Natural Resources.

**Amended by [\[Act No. 18 of 1963\]](#)**

#### **7. Local Authority to enforce regulations**

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

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**FIRST SCHEDULE**  
**(regulation 1)**

Therapeutic substances apply to the following substances as being intended to be used solely for veterinary purposes, by regulations made under that Act, that is to say-

- (1) The substances commonly known as vaccines, sera, toxins, antitoxins and antigens.
- (2) The substance commonly known as Salvarsan (Dioxy-diamino-arseno-benzol-dihydrochloric) and analogous substances used for the specific treatment of infective disease.
- (3) Extract of the Pituitary body.

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**SECOND SCHEDULE**  
**FORM A**  
**(regulation 3)**

To  
Of

I, the undersigned, being an Inspector of the Ministry of Agriculture and Natural Resources, hereby give you notice not to move or allow the removal of the vaccine to which this notice applies from the premises at..... in which it now is, and not to use it or allow it to be used for any purpose until a notice is served upon you withdrawing this notice or giving you directions as to the disposal of the vaccine.

The vaccine to which this notice applies is

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Dated this .....day of  
.....19.....

**FORM B**  
**(regulation 4)**

To  
Of

I, the undersigned, being an Inspector of the Ministry of Agriculture and Natural Resources, hereby give you notice that you are required, at your own expense and without payment of compensation, to

\*       destroy forthwith       all the

\_\_\_\_\_ days from the date hereof

contagious vaccine..... (1) (2) (and I further give you notice that the detention notice served upon you on the.....day of..... is hereby withdrawn in respect of all vaccine to which it relates other than the vaccine specified above).

Dated this.....day  
of.....19.....

\* Strike out words not applicable.

(1) Here describe the vaccine to be destroyed or exported.

This part of the notice is only applicable where a detention notice has been served and part only of the vaccine to which it relates is to be destroyed or exported. Strike out if not applicable.

**FORM C**  
**(regulation 5)**

To  
Of

I, the undersigned, being an inspector of the Ministry of Agriculture and Natural Resources, hereby give you notice that the detention notice served upon you on the.....day of.....

relating to vaccine at the premises

at.....

.....  
.....is hereby withdrawn.

Dated this.....day of

..... 19.....

**Amended by [Act No. 18 of 1963]**