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Health Acts.

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, VICTORIA.—COMMISSION OF PUBLIC HEALTH.

At the Executive Council Chamber, Melbourne, the thirtieth day of September, 1952.

## PRESENT:

 $\ensuremath{\mathsf{His}}$  Excellency the Governor-of Victoria.

Mr. Brose Mr. White Mr. Harvey.

REGULATIONS AMENDING THE MEAT SUPERVISION REGULATIONS 1947.

NDER the powers conferred by the Health Acts and all other powers enabling him in that behalf, His Excellency the Governor of the State of Victoria, with the advice of the Executive Council of the said State, doth hereby make the Regulations following, that is to say:—

- 1. These Regulations may be cited as the "Amending Meat Supervision Regulations 1952" and shall come into operation on the first day of October, 1952.
- 2. Regulation 38 of the Meat Supervision Regulations 1947, as amended by Regulation 2 of the Amending Meat Supervision Regulations 1949, is hereby repealed, and the following substituted therefor:—
  - 38. (1) No person shall bleed or attempt to bleed any large cattle or any swine unless they have first been effectually stunned: Provided that where the preliminary casting of the beast has been carried out by an apparatus approved by the Commission, this sub-regulation shall not apply to the slaughtering of cattle for the purpose of providing Kosher meat.
  - (2) No person shall stun or attempt to stun any large cattle or any swine by any means other than a humane killer of a captive bolt type approved by the Commission, or, in the case of swine, an electrical stunning instrument of a type approved by the Commission: Provided that—
    - (a) (i) Where in its opinion the necessity of the case so requires the Council may (with the prior consent of the Commission) permit the stunning of large cattle

- by means of a hammer the head of which in the case of calves is not less than  $2\frac{1}{2}$  lb. in weight and in the case of any other kind of large cattle is not less than 5 lb. in weight;
- (ii) Any such permission shall be given in writing and shall be for such limited period as is determined by either the Commission or the Council.
- (b) (i) The Council of any shire may with the approval of the Commission permit the stunning of large cattle by means of a rifle in any abattoir in which not more than one slaughterman is employed;
  - (ii) Any such permission shall be given in writing and the Council shall forward a copy thereof to the Commission;
  - (iii) Such permission shall be revocable at any time by the Council or the Commission.
- (c) (i) The Council may with the approval of the Commission permit the stunning of swine by means of a hammer, the head of which is not less than 2½ lb. in weight, in any abattoir where the total weekly kill of swine in any week of the previous calendar year did not exceed twenty-five;
  - (ii) Any such permission shall be given in writing and the Council shall forward a copy thereof to the Commission;
  - (iii) Such permission shall be revocable at any time by the Council or the Commission.
- (3) No person shall kill any sheep or lambs except by the rapid severance of all structures anterior to the vertebral column in the neck.
- (4) No person shall slaughter or attempt to slaughter any animal except in a compartment set apart for the purpose and complying with the relevant provisions of the Offensive Trades Regulations 1939, or any Regulations amending the same.

And the Honorable William Oliver Fulton, Her Majesty's Minister of Health for the State of Victoria, shall give the necessary directions herein accordingly.

A. MAHLSTEDT, Clerk of the Executive Council.