

# **Wholesome Meat and Fish (Wholesale Market) Rules 1999**

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## **WHOLESOME MEAT AND FISH ACT 1999**

(ACT 5 OF 1999)

WHOLESOME MEAT AND FISH (WHOLESALE MARKET) RULES 1999

In exercise of the powers conferred by section 41 of the Wholesome Meat and Fish Act 1999, the Minister for National Development hereby makes the following Rules:

**Citation and commencement**

1. These Rules may be cited as the Wholesome Meat and Fish (Wholesale Market) Rules 1999 and shall come into operation on 10th December 1999.

**Definitions**

2. In these Rules, unless the context otherwise requires —

“animal” means any animal which is intended to be used in the production of meat products;

“auctioneer’s badge” means a badge issued by the Director under rule 8 to a person who has been appointed as an authorised auctioneer;

“authorised auctioneer” means a person who is appointed by the Director under rule 7(1)(a) to conduct auctions of animals, fish, meat products or fish products in a wholesale market;

“fish” means any fish (including the young and eggs thereof) which is intended to be used in the production of fish products;

“licence” means a licence granted by the Director under section 22(4) of the Act (read with section 13 thereof) authorising the person to whom the licence is granted to use any premises as a wholesale market;

“licensee” means a person who holds a valid licence.

**Licence not transferable**

3.—(1) No licensee shall transfer or assign the benefit of his licence to any other person.

(2) A licensee who contravenes paragraph (1) shall be guilty of an offence and shall be liable on conviction to a fine not exceeding \$10,000.

**Licence to be exhibited**

4.—(1) A licensee shall exhibit his licence in a conspicuous position in the wholesale market in respect of which the licence has been granted.

(2) A licensee who fails to comply with paragraph (1) shall be guilty of an offence and shall be liable on conviction to a fine not exceeding \$10,000.

### **Auctions to be conducted by authorised auctioneer**

5.—(1) No person shall conduct any auction of any animal, fish, meat product or fish product in a wholesale market unless he is an authorised auctioneer.

(2) No licensee shall employ or engage or cause or permit any person to conduct any auction of any animal, fish, meat product or fish product in a wholesale market unless that person is an authorised auctioneer.

(3) Paragraphs (1) and (2) shall apply notwithstanding that the person conducting or who is to conduct the auction has been licensed as an auctioneer under the Auctioneers' Licences Act (Cap. 16).

(4) Any person who contravenes paragraph (1) or (2) shall be guilty of an offence and shall be liable on conviction to a fine not exceeding \$10,000.

### **Application for appointment of authorised auctioneers**

6.—(1) A licensee may apply to the Director for the appointment of one or more persons as authorised auctioneers to conduct the auction of animals, fish, meat products or fish products in the wholesale market to which his licence relates.

(2) An application under paragraph (1) shall —

- (a) be in such form as the Director may require;
- (b) state the names and such other particulars as the Director may require of the persons to be appointed as authorised auctioneers; and
- (c) be accompanied by the appropriate fee as specified in the Wholesome Meat and Fish (Fees) Rules 1999 (G.N. No. S 553/99) for the issue of an auctioneer's badge to each of the persons sought to be appointed as authorised auctioneers.

### **Appointment of authorised auctioneers**

7.—(1) Upon receipt of an application under rule 6, the Director may —

- (a) subject to such conditions as he thinks fit, appoint any person named in the application as an authorised auctioneer; or
- (b) refuse the application.

(2) Where the Director has refused an application under paragraph (1)(b), the