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CHAPTER 23.11**GENERAL MARKETS AND MEAT ACT**

AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR THE REGULATION OF CERTAIN PUBLIC MARKETS AND SLAUGHTER HOUSES; AND TO PROVIDE FOR RELATED OR INCIDENTAL MATTERS.

Short title.

1. This Act may be cited as the General Markets and Meat Act.

Interpretation.

2. In this Act, unless the context otherwise requires—

“animal” means a domestic animal the meat of which is intended to be used for human consumption and includes poultry;

“butchers’ meat” includes any beef, mutton, veal, lamb, pork, kid and the meat of any other animal slaughtered for the purpose of sale;

“Corporation” means the Central Marketing Corporation established under section 3 of the Central Marketing Corporation Act;

“existing market” includes a market within the limits of a Local Government Council if that Council has not made by-laws regulating such market;

“existing slaughterhouse” includes a slaughter house within the limits of a Local Government Council if that Council has not made by-laws regulating such slaughter houses;

“Minister” means the Minister responsible for the subject of markets;

“market” means the market established under the provisions of this Act for the sale of marketable commodities, and includes all buildings, sheds, covered and open spaces and grounds connected therewith;

“person in charge” includes the Corporation during the currency of any agreement between the Minister and the Corporation in pursuance of Section 7;

“slaughter house” means any place in the State declared by notice to be such by the Governor-General under Section 4 of this Act;

“poultry” means chickens, ducks, geese, turkeys and other birds;

“regulations” means regulations made under this Act;

“slaughter” means slaughter for the purpose of processing meat into food for human consumption.

Limitation of provisions of this Act.

3. This Act shall not extend to any market or slaughter house in respect of which by-laws have been passed by a Local Government Council under the provisions of the Local Government Act, Cap. 2.03 for establishing, maintaining and regulating such market or slaughter house.

Public Markets and Slaughter Houses Ordinance No. 5 of 1916.

4. (1) The existing markets and slaughter houses throughout the State established under the authority of the Markets and Meat Ordinance, 1916, shall be deemed to be established under this Act.

(2) The Governor-General may, from time to time, by notice published in the *Gazette*, define the site, limits, and extent of any existing market, or of any market hereafter to be erected or established, and from time to time alter such site, limits and extent.

(3) The Governor-General may, from time to time, by notice published in the *Gazette*, declare any place in the State to be a slaughter house for the purpose of this Act and may define the limits thereof and may also, from time to time, alter such limits.

Sites of markets to remain vested in the Crown.

5. The sites of all markets throughout the State, except when the same may be private or freehold property, are hereby vested in the Governor-General for the purposes of this Act.

General control of Minister.

6. It is hereby declared that the administration of this Act and the general superintendence of markets and slaughter houses shall be a responsibility of the Minister.

Powers of Minister.

7. It shall be lawful for the Minister to do all or any of the following matters or things—

- (a) to cause to be purchased out of public funds, all such measures, scales and weights, furnishings and appliances as shall be necessary for markets or slaughter houses;
- (b) to cause to be made and paid for out of public funds all such repairs, alterations, improvements and additions to markets or slaughter houses as he or she shall deem necessary and proper;
- (c) subject to the approval of the Cabinet, to enter into agreements with the Corporation providing for—
 - (i) the more efficient carrying out within the State of the purpose and intent of this Act;
 - (ii) the performance by the Corporation on behalf of the Government or of the Minister of functions and services with respect to the control and management of markets under this Act that are the responsibility of the Minister; and
 - (iii) the payment of money required for functions and services performed by the Corporation under sub-paragraph (ii).

Duties of Central Marketing Corporation.

8. Every agreement made between the Minister and the Corporation under paragraph (c) of section 7 may provide that it shall be the duty of the Corporation—

- (a) to ensure that an officer or officers of that Corporation shall give constant attendance at every market or slaughter house mentioned in the agreement during the hours fixed for keeping open the same;

- (b) to have the custody of and keep in good and proper order all measures, scales, weights and appliances furnished by the Minister for use in markets and slaughter houses;
- (c) to cause to be inspected and tested all measures, scales, weights and appliances used by butchers and other persons dealing in or using for business purposes any market or slaughter house and if any such measures, scales, weights or appliances are false or defective to authorise the same to be seized and to report the facts to the Minister and to the Chief of Police;
- (d) to ask, demand, receive, collect and recover all rates and dues and other moneys liable to be demanded, received, collected and recovered under the provisions of this Act;
- (e) to cause to be kept a detailed cash account book in which entries shall be made of all moneys received by the Central Marketing Corporation, and to furnish weekly to the Minister a copy of such account and to pay weekly to the Accountant General any moneys so received by the Corporation under the authority of this Act;
- (f) that the Corporation will generally carry out and enforce the provisions of this Act and any regulations made thereunder.

Power to charge rent for stalls etc.

9. The person in charge of any market or slaughter house may, from time to time, demand and take from every person occupying, or using any stand, stall, table, shed, pen, or place, or using any weighing instrument in any market or slaughter house, such rents, fees, and charges as may be fixed by regulations made under this Act.

Recovery of rents, fees and charges.

10. If any person liable under this Act for the payment of any rent, fee, or charge does not pay the same when required so to do by the person in charge of a market, the same may be recovered by distress and sale of a sufficient part of the goods in respect of which such rent, fee or charge is payable, or of any other goods in the market belonging to or under the charge of the person liable to pay such rent, fee or charge; or such rent, fee or charge may be recovered as a debt due to the person in charge of the market or slaughter house in any Court of competent jurisdiction.

Regulations.

11. The Minister may make regulations in respect of all or any of the following matters, that is to say—

- (a) for regulating the use of any market or markets, and of any slaughter house or slaughter houses, and of any stalls, tables and places in any markets;
- (b) the feeding and watering of animals taken to any slaughter house;
- (c) the days and hours during which any market or slaughter house shall be kept open;
- (d) for excluding and removing all persons suffering from contagious disease, or from any skin or other disease rendering such person, in the opinion of the person in charge of a market, unfit to sell in such market;

- (e) for prescribing the conditions subject to which stalls, tables and places shall be held or occupied or used by any person hiring, or using, or desirous of hiring or using the same;
- (f) for regulating the inspection of any butcher's meat exposed or intended to be exposed or offered for sale in any part of a market or slaughter house and of any livestock intended to be slaughtered for meat;
- (g) for maintaining order and quiet in markets and slaughter houses and the prevention of shouting, singing and smoking and for preventing any disturbance therein by fighting or disorderly behaviour;
- (h) for fixing the rents, fees and charges to be made for the use of stalls, tables and places, and for selling after six hours notice; butcher's meat or marketable commodities distrained for rent of a market stall;
- (i) for regulating the sale of marketable commodities;
- (j) for prescribing the areas in the vicinity of any market within which it shall not be lawful to sell or offer for sale any marketable commodity;
- (k) for the condemnation and destruction of butcher's meat unfit for human food, with or without compensation;
- (l) for the inspection by officers or employees of the Ministry of Health, or by medical practitioners or by sanitary inspectors or other competent officer of the Health Department of animals brought to and the carcasses of animals slaughtered at any slaughter house and all articles of food exposed or offered for sale in any market, and for the seizure and detention of any such animal, carcass or articles of food found to be diseased, and the reporting thereof to the sanitary inspector;
- (m) for regulating the use of weighing instruments belonging to or used in or in connection with any market or slaughter house; and preventing the use of false or defective weights, scales or instruments by any person selling in any market; and
- (n) generally such other regulations as may be deemed necessary for the good government of markets and slaughter houses; and for the better and more effectual carrying out of the provisions of this Act.

(2) The regulations may impose pecuniary penalties not exceeding three hundred dollars.

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(3) Penalties for breaches of the regulations shall be recovered on summary conviction, upon complaint made in the name of the person in charge of the market or slaughter house, and the penalties, together with all rents, fees and charges received, shall be paid into the Treasury for the use of the State.

(4) In this section the term "marketable commodity" means meat, fish, turtle, game, livestock, eggs, ground provisions, vegetables, fruits and such other goods and articles as may be notified in the *Gazette* by Order of the Minister.

Powers of clerk of markets.

12. The clerk of a market shall have, within that market, the powers of a police constable, and also, with respect to weights and measures, the powers of an officer of police under the Act relating to weights and measures.

When certain markets to cease to be a market subject to this Act.

13. It is hereby declared that an existing market or an existing slaughter house within the limits of a Local Government Council shall cease to be subject to the provisions of this Act from and after the date on which any by-laws of the Local Government Council for regulating such market or slaughter house comes into operation.

FIRST SCHEDULE*(Section 11)***BASSETERRE MARKET REGULATIONS****Short title.**

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Basseterre Market Regulations.

Interpretation.

2. In these Regulations—

“disposal” means sale, barter, offering or exposing for sale or barter;

“disposal of” means sell, barter, or offer or expose for sale or barter, or cause to be sold, bartered or offered or exposed for sale, or barter;

“fish” means any kind of salt water fish;

“food” includes every article used for food or drink by man or beast;

“loiterer” includes any person in or about the market—

- (a) for any lewd, idle, vicious or disorderly purpose;
- (b) otherwise than in the regular performance or in pursuance of some lawful calling or object;
- (c) to the annoyance, or obstruction of any person therein;
- (d) who does not leave the market when thereunto required by the Market Clerk;
- (e) who not having any authority to remain there fails to quit the market at the hour of closing; or
- (f) who is found therein after such hour;

“Inspector of Animals” or “Inspector” means the persons appointed by the Minister to be Inspector of Animals at the public market;

“produce” means—

- (a) sucking pigs;
- (b) live and dead game;
- (c) shell-fish, including lobsters;
- (d) land and sea crabs;
- (e) turtle eggs;
- (f) any other article of food found, produced, grown, or manufactured in this or any other West Indian State excepting bread, cakes, chocolate, coffee, cooked food, drinks, honey, molasses, peanuts and sugar;
- (g) brooms manufactured in the State or in any other State of the Leeward Islands;
- (h) charcoal burnt or prepared in the State or any other of the West Indian Islands;

- “market” means the market at the Bay Road Basseterre established by Proclamation dated the 29th day of March 1930, and shall include the market buildings, pavements, steps and approaches thereto, the slaughterhouse, tank, and any land, or building thereon which may be erected or appropriated at any time for use in connection with the market;
- “town of Basseterre” includes the town of Basseterre and an area of one mile beyond the limits of the said town of Basseterre;
- “refuse” includes animal refuse, blood, offal, dirt, leavings, filth, shavings, sawdust, broken bottles, or debris of any kind or description whatsoever;
- “meat” includes flesh, bones, heart, lungs, tripe, or any part whatsoever of the carcass, whether the same be fresh, corned, salted or otherwise, of any pig or (the hide, horns and hoofs excepted) of any bull, ox, steer, cow, heifer, calf, goat, kid, sheep, or lamb;
- “mutton” means the flesh of sheep or lambs, only;
- “stall” means such place in the Market as may from time to time be appointed as such;
- “stand” means such place in the Market as may from time to time be appointed as such;
- “Market Clerk” means the person holding the appointment of Market Clerk at the commencement of these regulations or any person hereafter appointed by the Minister as such, or any person acting in his or her place.

Market Open to Public.

3. (1) The market shall be open to the public from 6 a.m. to 6 p.m. except on Sundays and Public Holidays, when it shall be open from 6 a.m. to 9 a.m. and on Saturdays when it shall be open from 6 a.m. to 9 p.m.
- (2) With respect to the closing of the market, two notice bells shall be rung, the first, one hour, and the second one half hour, before the closing thereof; and a closing bell at the closing hour when every person shall forthwith leave the market, except such persons as may be authorised by the Chief Medical Officer to remain there.

Market Clerk’s Duties.

4. The Market Clerk shall—
- (a) be subject to the direction of the Chief Medical Officer;
 - (b) have the general superintendence and charge of the market, and be responsible for the due and proper management thereof;
 - (c) attend at the market during the hours that the same is open;
 - (d) attend at the slaughterhouse at such times and under such conditions as may be fixed by these or such other regulations as the Minister may make from time to time for the regulation of the slaughterhouse and with respect to the slaughtering of animals;
 - (e) inspect all scales, weights and measures of any description whatsoever, used in the market, and see that the same are in conformity with the standard and duly stamped according to law;

- (f) keep a correct list and account of all property delivered to him or her for the use of the market and be responsible for the same;
- (g) make up and enter into a book every day an account under distinct and separate heads of all his or her receipts for such day;
- (h) pay into the Treasury once a week all moneys received by him or her;
- (i) produce his or her book or any property under his or her charge whenever called upon so to do by the Chief Medical Officer and give to the Chief Medical Officer all the information as he or she may require in respect of such books and property.

Market Clerk's Powers.

5. (1) The Market Clerk may arrest, or eject or cause to be arrested or ejected from the market, by any constable or other person—
- (a) any disorderly person, or persons acting indecently or persons dirtily or indecently dressed, or using obscene, abusive or insulting language, or swearing or behaving in a manner calculated to disturb the peace of the market;
 - (b) any person afflicted with leprosy, yaws, sores, or any other loathsome disease whatsoever; or
 - (c) any loiterer.
- (2) The Market Clerk may eject or have ejected any dog from the market.

Inspection of Book.

6. The Chief Medical Officer shall inspect the book mentioned in paragraph (g) of regulation 4 twice a week at least at such times as may be convenient to him or her.

Slaughterhouse Dues.

7. (1) Every person who desires to slaughter any of the animals mentioned in Schedule 1, shall pay to the Market Clerk slaughterhouse dues in respect thereof, at the rate specified in that Schedule.
- (2) The Market Clerk shall, on receipt of such sums as he or she is entitled to claim for slaughterhouse dues under the First Schedule, give a receipt, herein called a slaughterhouse dues receipt for the same which receipt shall be produced to the Market Clerk or other agent of the Chief Medical Officer by the slaughterer, on his or her being requested to produce the same at any time.
- (3) Every slaughterhouse dues receipt shall—
- (a) state the name of the person on whose behalf it has been applied for, and the amount for which it is issued;
 - (b) designate the animals to be slaughtered by virtue thereof;
 - (c) entitle the person mentioned in such receipt to slaughter at the slaughterhouse the animals mentioned in such receipt but subject to such rules and conditions as the Chief Medical Officer may from time to time, make with respect to the slaughtering of animals.

Stall Dues.

8. (1) Every person who desires to use a stall shall, before using such stall, obtain from the Market Clerk a certificate showing the number of the stall which he or she is to use and pay to the Market Clerk stall dues in respect thereof at the rate specified in the First Schedule.

(2) The Market Clerk shall on the receipt of such sum as he or she is entitled to claim for stall dues under the First Schedule give a receipt in these regulations called a "stall dues receipt" for the same, which receipt shall be produced by the stall holder to the Market Clerk or Chief Medical Officer, whenever called upon so to do, at any time, during the period for which the stall holder is authorised to use the stall.

(3) Every stall dues receipt shall—

- (a) state the name of the person on whose behalf it has been applied for, the amount for which it is issued, the number of the stall in respect of which it is issued, and the period during which such stall is to be used;
- (b) entitle the person mentioned therein to use the stall designated during the period stated and not otherwise.

(4) No person shall use a stall—

- (a) without having previously paid for and obtained a stall dues receipt therefor; or
- (b) after the expiration of the period mentioned in any stall dues receipt in respect of such stall; or
- (c) after having been served with a notice under regulation 16.

Ticket Dues and Stands.

9. (1) Every person who brings to the market any produce for disposal shall on each occasion of his or her so doing pay in advance to the Market Clerk dues called ticket dues, in respect thereof, at the rate specified in Schedule 1.

(2) The Market Clerk shall, on receipt of such sums as he or she shall be entitled to claim for such ticket dues under Schedule 1, give a ticket called a market ticket for the same purpose.

(3) Every market ticket shall entitle the holder to the use of a stand in the market until the closing thereof on the day of issue, unless the produce in respect whereof such ticket shall have been issued, be earlier disposed of.

Registration of Butchers.

10. (1) No person shall exercise the trade of a butcher or act as a butcher's assistant within the limits of the town of Basseterre unless he or she is duly registered as such as hereinafter provided.

(2) Every person who is desirous of exercising the trade of a butcher or acting as a butcher's assistant shall produce to the Chief Medical Officer a certificate in writing signed by a medical practitioner that he or she is a fit and proper person to exercise the trade as a butcher or act as a butcher's assistant; and thereupon the Chief Medical Officer shall register him or her accordingly and shall issue to him or her free of cost a certificate of registration, and such a medical certificate will be required periodically at intervals of six months.

(3) The Chief Medical Officer shall enter in a book to be called “the register of butchers” the names and addresses of all persons registered as butchers or butcher’s assistants.

(4) If any person registered as a butcher or butcher’s assistant shall have by using any forged certificate or other fraudulent means caused himself or herself to be so registered, or shall misconduct himself or herself in the exercise of his or her trade, or shall be three times convicted of offences against these regulations, or shall be convicted of a felony in connection with his or her trade, the Chief Medical Officer may order his or her name to be expunged from the register of butchers and thereupon such person shall be disqualified from exercising the trade of a butcher or acting as a butcher’s assistant just as if he or she had never been registered as such, provided that before the name of such person is removed from the register he or she shall be given an opportunity of appearing before the Chief Medical Officer and being heard.

(5) If any person shall exercise the trade of a butcher or act as a butcher’s assistant without being duly registered as hereinbefore provided he or she commits an offence against these regulations.

Slaughter of Animals in Basseterre.

11. (1) No person shall, without the written permission of the Chief Medical Officer, slaughter or cause to be slaughtered in the town of Basseterre, otherwise than in the slaughterhouse, any of the animals mentioned in the First Schedule:

Provided that nothing in these regulations shall prevent any person from slaughtering a sucking pig, lamb or kid at his or her own residence for his or her domestic use.

(2) No person shall, without the written permission of the Chief Medical Officer, bring or cause to be brought into the town of Basseterre any meat intended for disposal which has been slaughtered elsewhere than at the slaughterhouse.

Disposal of Meat.

12. No person shall—

- (a) carry any meat, otherwise than in clean receptacles;
- (b) dispose of any meat, before showing the same to the Market Clerk;
- (c) without the written permission of the Chief Medical Officer, dispose of any meat at any place in the town of Basseterre other than at the stalls provided in the market for the purpose:

Provided that this paragraph shall not apply to imported meat other than fresh meat;

- (d) dispose of goats’ flesh for mutton;
- (e) remove the wool or hair from the tail of the carcass of any sheep, lamb, goat or kid exposed for disposal.

Suspected Disposal of Meat.

13. Any person authorised by the Chief Medical Officer or any member of the Police Force, who reasonably suspects that any person in the town of Basseterre is carrying or has any meat in his or her possession which is intended for disposal, and which has not come from the market, may stop such person and search anything

carried by him or her or in his or her possession, and such person shall stop when requested so to do, and shall allow the search mentioned in this regulation to be made.

Meat Sellers.

14. (1) Every seller of meat, turtle or fish, and every person who carries meat, turtle or fish, into the market shall be cleanly dressed.

(2) Every butcher and every butcher's assistant shall, whilst handling meat, wear a clean apron to the satisfaction of the Market Clerk.

Slaughter of Animals and Inspection of Meat.

15. (1) Every animal brought into the market for the purpose of being slaughtered shall, before being slaughtered, be kept therein publicly exposed for the space of at least twenty-four hours after being brought in, but shall not be kept therein for any space of time longer than three days:

Provided that the Inspector of Animals may grant permission in writing to any person to slaughter such animal before the expiration of twenty-four hours as aforesaid.

(2) Every person bringing any animal for slaughter into the market shall at once take the same to the Market Clerk, who shall, in addition to the other requirements under these regulations, keep a register of the time when such animal shall be brought in.

(3) Any person who shall slaughter or attempt to slaughter any animal aforesaid before the expiration of twenty-four hours after such animal shall have been brought into the market, unless the permission aforesaid shall have been first obtained for that purpose, commits an offence against these regulations.

(4) The hours of slaughter shall be from 6 a.m. to 7.30 a.m. daily, except on Saturday when the hours shall be from 6 a.m. to 8 a.m.:

Provided that on Friday slaughtering may take place also between the hours of 7 p.m. and 9 p.m.

(5) All animals, the meat of which is intended for local consumption, shall be subjected to an examination by the Inspector of Animals both before and after slaughter, and, save as is hereinafter provided, no animal shall be slaughtered unless it has been examined and passed by the Inspector:

Provided that where, in consequence of any accident or injury an animal ought in the opinion of the Market Clerk to be killed immediately, then it may be considered a case of emergency and inspection before slaughter may be omitted.

(6) If slaughter does not take place within forty-eight hours after an animal has been examined and passed by the Inspector of Animals then it shall not be allowable unless the animal is re-examined.

(7) An animal which the Inspector of Animals declares to be unfit for slaughter shall forthwith be removed from the market by the owner or person in charge of the animal.

(8) The Inspector of Animals shall attend at the slaughterhouse daily at 6.30 a.m. except on Saturdays, when he or she shall attend from 6 a.m. to 8.30 a.m. for the purpose of inspecting the meat of all animals slaughtered for local consumption.

(9) No part of a slaughtered animal shall be taken away before inspection.

(10) If the inspection shows no ground for the condemnation of the meat the Inspector shall declare it fit for human consumption.

(11) If the inspection shows that the meat or any part of the meat is unfit for human consumption, the Inspector shall condemn it, inform the owner or person in charge of the meat of the fact, and immediately notify the Market Clerk.

(12) All meat condemned as aforesaid shall be immediately seized by the Market Clerk, and shall be destroyed in such manner as the Chief Medical Officer may, from time to time, direct.

(13) All meat remaining in the Market, which has been declared fit for human consumption under these regulations, shall be subject to reinspection after twenty-four hours for the purpose of ascertaining whether it has in the meantime undergone any change in its condition rendering it injurious to health.

(14) No meat shall be removed from the slaughterhouse to the stalls unless it is properly cleaned and dressed.

(15) No person shall be allowed to enter the slaughterhouse while animals are being slaughtered or while meat is being inspected except the butchers and their assistants, or any person authorised by the Inspector of Animals or by the Chief Medical Officer.

(16) The owner or person in charge of every animal and of every carcass of any animal shall afford to the Inspector every assistance with respect to the examination of such animal or carcass and shall furnish him or her with all information which he or she may require in relation thereto, and every such owner or other person who refuses to assist the Inspector or to give him or her such information, or who wilfully gives him or her any false information, or who in any way resists, hinders, or obstructs him or her in the execution of his or her duty commits an offence against these regulations.

(17) Animals, the meat of which is intended for consumption on board the Crown's ships, may, on application of the contractor, be admitted into the market, and slaughtered at any time in the slaughterhouse on payment of the ordinary dues; but the examination of such animals or of the meat of such animals shall be conducted according to the direction of the naval authorities:

Provided that no part of such meat shall be brought into or sold for local consumption unless it is examined by the Inspector of Animals and declared by him or her to be fit for human consumption.

(18) Whenever any animal is slaughtered out of the ordinary opening hours of the market, the contractor shall pay to the Market Clerk, for his or her attendance, the sum of ninety-six cents, and shall also pay the expense of washing and cleaning the slaughterhouse after use and the cost of lighting if any.

(19) Every animal while in the market as aforesaid shall be supplied with necessary food and water by the owner or other person in charge of the animal, and if default be made in supplying food or water to any animal, the Market Clerk shall cause such animal to be supplied with food or water or with both as the case may be, and the cost of food and water shall be paid by the owner or other person in charge of the animal, and if default be made in payment thereof the same may be summarily recovered before a District Magistrate by the Chief Medical Officer from the owner or other person in charge of the animal.

Stalls and Stands.

16. (1) The Market Clerk may refuse any application for any stall or stand in the market: Provided that any person aggrieved by such refusal shall be entitled to appeal to the Minister whose decision shall be final.

(2) Except in the case of a registered firm or a *bonâ fide* partnership, no stall or stand shall be rented or used by more than one person at the same time.

(3) No person shall—

- (a) use any counter in the market for the purpose of chopping;
- (b) use any stall or stand for any purpose other than that for which it is appointed.

(4) Every licensee of a stall shall—

- (a) before leaving the market for the day thoroughly cleanse, to the satisfaction of the Market Clerk, his or her stall as well as his or her counter, tools and other trade appliances, and shall remove all refuse therefrom and place the same in the receptacle provided for the purpose;
- (b) keep his or her stall both inside and outside, and tools and all other trade appliances, in thorough cleanliness at all times.

(5) Every licensee who shall persistently neglect or refuse to comply with the requirements of this regulation may after one week's notice in writing from the Chief Medical Officer be debarred from the use of his or her stall, and shall also be liable to be proceeded against for an offence against these regulations.

(6) No person shall—

- (a) without the permission of the Market Clerk, be in any meat-stall except the seller and his or her assistant;
- (b) dispose at any meat stall of anything but meat or turtle;
- (c) at any time keep in any meat stall anything but meat or turtle.

(7) No barrels, blocks, or other private property whatsoever shall be placed in or about the market other than such as may be absolutely requisite for stall holders and sellers in the prosecution of their business.

Miscellaneous Offences.

17. (1) Every person in the market shall obey the lawful directions of the Market Clerk.

(2) No person shall—

- (a) smoke, or spit, in the market;
- (b) sit or lie on any block, counter, table, or stand in the market, or on the pavement thereof;
- (c) sharpen any instrument on any part of the market structure;
- (d) use blasphemous, obscene, abusive or insulting language, or swear, or otherwise misbehave in the market;
- (e) fight or create, or cause to be created, any row, riot or disturbance in the market;

- (f) throw filth, dirt, rubbish or litter in the market;
- (g) open or clean the stomachs or intestines of any animal in the slaughterhouse;
- (h) break, cut, pull down, destroy, remove, injure or spoil any part of the market;
- (i) be a loiterer in or about the market;
- (j) be in the market during the hours that the market is not open to the public without permission of the Market Clerk;
- (k) introduce, dispose of, or consume any wine, malt liquor, spirits or intoxicants of any kind in the market;
- (l) take or bring any dog, or permit any dog to follow, or accompany him or her into the market;
- (m) light any fire in the market, or cook therein, except in such parts thereof and under such conditions as may be from time to time pointed out and allowed by the Market Clerk;
- (n) commit any nuisance in or at any part of the market;
- (o) use any water-closet or urinal otherwise than for the purpose for which it was intended;
- (p) being a male, go into, make use of, or be in any water-closet or urinal provided for the use of females;
- (q) being a female, go into, make use of, or be in any water-closet or urinal provided for the use of males;
- (r) remove refuse from any part of the market in such a manner as to create a nuisance in the process of such removal;
- (s) destroy, deface or remove any public notice posted within the market.

Non-Liability of the Government.

18. Neither the government nor the Chief Medical Officer nor any of his or her officers or servants shall be responsible for the loss or damage of any property left in the market.

Penalty.

19. Every person who is found guilty of any offence against these regulations shall, on being convicted of the offence before a District Magistrate, be liable to a penalty not exceeding three hundred dollars, and in default of payment, to imprisonment with or without hard labour for any term not exceeding two months.

Forms.

- 20.** (1) No particular form shall be necessary under these regulations.
- (2) Every form in the Second Schedule shall be sufficient for the case for which it was intended.
- (3) A form may be amended at any time.
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SCHEDULE 1 TO THE REGULATIONS

(Regulations 7, 8 and 9)

DUES

SLAUGHTERHOUSE DUES

	cents
For permission to slaughter every bull or steer, cow, heifer or calf.....	72
For permission to slaughter every calf under 6 months old	18
For permission to slaughter every pig, kid or goat, sheep or lamb.....	18
For permission to slaughter every turtle not exceeding 60 lbs.....	18
For permission to slaughter every turtle exceeding 60 lbs.....	36

STALL DUES

For every meat stall for week or part of week.....	54
For any other stall for week or part of week	18

TOLL OR TICKET DUES

For entrance to Market and permission to use stand for every day or part of a day for basket or head load, barrel or sack.....	1
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SCHEDULE 2 TO THE REGULATIONS

(Regulation 20)

FORMS

RECEIPT COUNTERFOIL

Note: Every receipt shall have a counterfoil as follows:

RECEIPT.

No

Date

Amount

From

For

SLAUGHTERHOUSE DUES RECEIPT

(Regulation 20)

No Received from the sum of
 dollars and cents for permission to slaughter the
 following animal.

Basseterre..... 20.....

Market Clerk.

STALL DUES RECEIPT

(Regulation 20)

No Received fromthe sum ofdollars and cents for the use of stall No. up to theday of20

Basseterre.....20.....

Chief Medical Officer

Market ticket for a stand in market for 1 day or for permission to dispose of produce in the city for a like period.

(Regulation 20)

No Basseterre Market No..... Basseterre Market.

Checked Market Ticket.

..... cents

N.B: This Ticket is issued subject to the conditions and penalties imposed by the Basseterre Market regulations.

PERMISSION TO SLAUGHTER ANIMALS

(Regulation 20)

Permission is hereby granted to

to slaughter at on the day of 20, the following animal

Chief Medical Officer.

PERMISSION TO REMOVE MEAT FROM SLAUGHTERHOUSE

(Regulation 20)

Permission is hereby granted to to remove on the day of 20, from the slaughterhouse without taking same to stalls.

Chief Medical Officer.

CERTIFICATE OF REGISTRATION OF BUTCHER

(Regulation 20)

Basseterre, St. Kitts.

I do hereby certify that of has been this day (or was on the day of 20) registered as a butcher (or butcher's assistant).

Chief Medical Officer

REGISTER OF BUTCHERS

(Regulation 20)

Name	Address	Whether Butcher or butcher's assistant	By whom certificate	Date of registration	Remarks
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SECOND SCHEDULE*(Section 11)***CHARLESTOWN MARKET REGULATIONS****Short Title.**

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Charlestown Market Regulations.

Opening Hours.

2. (1) The public market in Charlestown, hereinafter called the market, shall be opened daily at 6 o'clock a.m. and closed at 6 o'clock p.m., except on Saturdays and the eves of holidays when it shall be kept open until 9 o'clock p.m.

(2) On holidays the market shall be closed at 9 p.m.:

Provided always the butchers and their assistants shall be allowed to have access to the slaughter house at such hours as shall be arranged for with the Market Keeper, or in case of disagreement at such hour as shall be fixed by the Chairperson of the Central Board of Health, who shall be charged with the inspection and care of the market.

Duties of Officer in Charge.

3. The officer in charge of the market shall take charge of the market and shall keep such books as the Central Board of Health shall require.

Licensing of Tables.

4. (1) Tables in the market shall be marked off and numbered and shall be licensed at such rates as are mentioned in the Schedule, and shall be paid for weekly in advance, and any licensee refusing or neglecting to pay for his or her license as aforesaid shall not be permitted to occupy such table, and it shall be the duty of the Market Keeper to remove such person or persons and their goods from such table forthwith.

(2) Every licensee of a table shall give three days' notice of his or her intention to quit the same, and no article shall be kept on any table except such articles as are intended for sale.

Fees when No Tables Occupied.

5. Persons other than table holders bringing into the market any provisions or other articles for sale shall place them in such part of the market as shall be pointed out by the Market Keeper, and shall pay the fees mentioned in the Schedule.

Animals to be placed in Stock Shed.

6. All cattle, sheep, goats and pigs brought to the market to be slaughtered for local consumption shall be placed in the stock shed at least fifteen hours before being slaughtered:

Provided always that in case of emergency the time above mentioned may be abridged by the Chairperson of the Central Board of Health.

Animals to be Inspected.

7. (1) The District Sanitary Officer shall inspect and approve of as fit for human food all animals whether for local consumption or otherwise which are brought to the market to be slaughtered, and if after the slaughter of any animal any doubt should arise as to its fitness for human food the Sanitary Officer shall forthwith summon the Medical Officer of the District and obtain his or her opinion as to its fitness for human consumption.

(2) A fee of \$1.20 shall be paid to the Medical Officer for the inspection and opinion.

(3) This fee shall be payable—

(a) by the butcher when the meat is considered unfit for human food;

(b) by the government when the meat is considered fit for human food.

Collection of Fees.

8. The Market Keeper shall collect such fees for slaughtering and for other purposes as are mentioned in the Schedule.

Persons Prohibited from Entering Slaughter House.

9. No person shall enter the slaughter house other than members of the Central Board of Health, the servants of the Board and those actually engaged in the slaughtering of animals.

Butchers to be Properly Dressed.

10. Every butcher shall be cleanly dressed in his or her clothing and be provided with clean cloths or towels when disposing of meat in his or her stall.

Stalls to be Marked with Owners Name.

11. Butchers' stalls shall have their owners' names painted in legible letters and placed in front of the same and butchers shall conform to such directions for cleaning their stalls as the Market Keeper may direct.

Registration of Butchers.

12. (1) No person shall exercise the trade of a butcher or act as a butcher's assistant within the limits of the Town of Charlestown unless he or she is duly registered as such as hereinafter provided.

(2) Every person who is desirous of exercising the trade of a butcher or acting as a butcher's assistant shall produce to the Market Keeper a certificate in writing signed by a medical practitioner that he or she is a fit and proper person to exercise the trade as a butcher or act as a butcher's assistant; and thereupon the Market Keeper

shall register him or her accordingly and shall issue to him or her free of cost a certificate of registration.

(3) A medical certificate shall be produced to the Market Keeper periodically at intervals of six months.

(4) The Market Keeper shall enter in a book to be called "The Register of Butchers" the names and addresses of all persons registered as butchers or butchers' assistants.

(5) If any person registered as a butcher or butcher's assistant shall have, by using any forged certificate or other fraudulent means caused himself or herself to be so registered, or shall misconduct himself or herself in the exercise of his or her trade, or shall be three times convicted of offences against these regulations, or shall be convicted of a felony in connection with his or her trade, the Chairperson may order his or her name to be expunged from the Register of Butchers and thereupon such person shall be disqualified from exercising the trade of a butcher or acting as a butcher's assistant just as if he or she had never been registered as such, provided that before the name of such person is removed from the Register he or she shall be given an opportunity of appearing before the Central Board of Health and being heard.

(6) If any person shall exercise the trade of a butcher or act as a butcher's assistant without being duly registered as hereinbefore provided he or she commits an offence against these regulations.

Slaughtering of Animals and Disposal of Meat.

13. No person shall—

- (a) without the written permission of the Chairperson of the Central Board of Health, slaughter or cause to be slaughtered in the town of Charlestown, otherwise than in the slaughter-house, any of the animals mentioned in the Schedule to these Regulations:

Provided that nothing in these regulations shall prevent any person from slaughtering a sucking pig, lamb or kid at his or her own residence for his or her domestic use;

- (b) without the written permission of the Chairperson of the Central Board of Health, bring or cause to be brought into the town of Charlestown, any meat intended for disposal which has been slaughtered elsewhere than at the slaughter-house;
- (c) butcher any animal within the market which has died from any cause, without the written permission of the Health Officer.

Obstructions.

14. No person shall in any way obstruct or cause any obstruction at any gateway, walk or passage or behave in a riotous or disorderly manner, or in any way obstruct or impede the traffic in the market.

Tethering Horses.

15. No person shall tether or fasten any horse or other animal to the gates, rails or trees of, or in the market, or keep any animals in or under any sheds, except as hereinbefore provided; or shall permit any such animal to be at large in the market.

Riding Through Market Prohibited.

16. No person shall ride or drive in or through the market.

Buildings Prohibited.

17. No person shall erect any building, or shed, or plant or fix any poles in the market without the consent of the Central Board of Health.

The Market Keeper May Eject Persons.

18. The Market Keeper may eject, or cause to be arrested or ejected from the market by any constable or other person—

- (a) any disorderly person, or persons acting indecently, or person dirtily or indecently dressed, or using obscene, abusive or insulting language, or swearing or behaving in a manner calculated to disturb the peace of the market;
- (b) any person afflicted with leprosy, yaws, sores or any other loathsome disease whatsoever.

Market Keeper May Give Directions.

19. Every person in the market shall obey the lawful directions of the Market Keeper.

Prohibited Acts.

20. No person shall—

- (a) smoke, or spit in the market;
- (b) sit or lie on any block, stand, counter or table, in the market, or on the pavement thereof;
- (c) sharpen any instrument on any part of the market structure;
- (d) use any blasphemous, obscene, abusive or insulting language, or swear, or otherwise misbehave in the market;
- (e) fight or create or cause to be created any row, riot, or disturbance in the market;
- (f) throw filth, dirt, rubbish or litter in the market;
- (g) open or clean the stomachs or intestines of any animal in the slaughterhouse;
- (h) break, cut, pull down, destroy, remove, injure or spoil any part of the market;
- (i) be in the market during the hours that the market is not open to the public without permission of the Market Keeper;
- (j) sell or offer for sale any kerosene oil in the market;
- (k) introduce, dispose of, consume, sell or offer for sale any wine, malt liquor, spirits or intoxicants of any kind in the market;
- (l) take or bring any dog, or permit any dog to follow, or accompany him or her into the market;

- (m) light any fire in the market, or cook therein, except in such parts thereof and under such conditions as may be from time to time pointed out and allowed by the Market Keeper;
- (n) commit any nuisance in or at any part of the market.

No Responsibility for Loss or Damage to Property.

21. Neither the government nor the Market Keeper shall be responsible for the loss of or damage to any property left in the market.

Penalties.

22. Every person who is found guilty of an offence against these regulations shall, on being convicted thereof before a District Magistrate, be liable to a penalty not exceeding three hundred dollars, and in default of payment, to imprisonment with or without hard labour for any term not exceeding two months.

SCHEDULE TO THE REGULATIONS

(REGULATIONS 4, 5, 8 AND 13)

FEEs TO BE COLLECTED IN THE PUBLIC MARKET

	cents
For the weekly rent of a table for the sale of vegetables, fruit, small wares, etc	6
For the weekly rent of a table for the sale of fresh meat, salt provisions, cooked food, cornmeal, sugar, etc	12
Any person not renting a table for each basket or tray of provisions, etc., brought into the Market	1
For each barrel or bag of provisions, etc., brought into the Market.....	2
For every head of cattle exceeding 12 months old.....	48
For every head of cattle not exceeding 12 months old	24
For every head of cattle not exceeding 8 weeks old	12
For each sheep, goat or pig	12
For each lamb, kid or sucking pig.....	6
For every turtle not exceeding 60 lbs.....	8
For each turtle exceeding 60 lbs.	16

THIRD SCHEDULE*(Section 11)***GINGERLAND MARKET REGULATIONS****Short title.**

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Gingerland Market Regulations.

Opening hours.

2. (1) The public market in Gingerland hereinafter called the market shall be opened daily at 6 o'clock a.m. and closed at 6 o'clock p.m. except on Saturdays and the day before a holiday when it shall be kept open until 9 o'clock p.m.

- (2) On holidays the market shall be closed at 9 a.m.:

Provided always butchers and their assistants may have access to the slaughter house at such hours as shall be arranged with the officer in charge of the market, hereinafter called the Market Keeper, or in case of disagreement, at such hours as shall be fixed by the Medical Officer of District No. 7, who shall be charged with the inspection and care of the market.

Duties of officer in charge.

3. The Market Keeper shall take charge of the market and shall keep such books as the Central Board of Health shall require.

Licensing of tables.

4. (1) Tables in the market shall be marked off and numbered and shall be licensed at such rates as are mentioned in the Schedule to these regulations, and shall be paid for weekly in advance, and any licensee who refuses or neglects to pay for his or her licence as provided in this regulation shall not be permitted to occupy such table, and the Market Keeper shall remove such person or persons and their goods from such table forthwith.

- (2) Every licensee of a table shall give three days notice of his or her intention to quit the same, and no article shall be kept on any table except such articles as are intended for sale.

Fees when no tables occupied.

5. Persons bringing into the market any animals, provisions or other articles for sale shall place them in such part of the market as shall be pointed out by the Market Keeper, and shall pay the fees mentioned in the Schedule to these regulations.

Animals to be placed in stock shed.

6. All cattle, sheep, goats and pigs brought to the market to be slaughtered for local consumption shall be placed in the stock shed at least fifteen hours before being slaughtered:

Provided always in case of emergency the time above mentioned may be abridged by the Medical Officer of District No. 7.

Animals to be inspected.

7. (1) The District Sanitary Officer shall inspect and approve as fit for human consumption all animals, whether for local consumption or otherwise, which are brought to the market to be slaughtered.

(2) If after the slaughter of any animal any doubt arises as to its fitness for human consumption the Sanitary Officer shall forthwith summon the Medical Officer of the District and obtain his or her opinion.

(3) A fee of \$1.20 shall be paid to the Medical Officer for this inspection and opinion.

(4) This fee shall be payable—

(a) by the butcher when the meat is considered unfit for human consumption;

(b) by the Government when the meat is considered fit for human consumption.

Collection of fees.

8. The Market Keeper shall collect such fees for slaughtering and for other purposes as are mentioned in the Schedule to these regulations in our usual style.

Persons prohibited from entering slaughter house.

9. No person shall enter the slaughter house other than members and servants of the Central Board of Health and those actually engaged in the slaughtering of animals.

Butchers to be properly dressed.

10. Every butcher should be cleanly dressed in his or her clothing and be provided with clean cloths or towels when disposing of meat in his or her stall.

Stalls to be marked with owner's name.

11. Each butcher shall print his or her name in legible letters on the front of his or her stall and shall obey the Market Keeper's directions for cleaning his or her stall.

Market area.

12. The area served by the market, hereinafter called the Market Area, shall be the villages of Morgans, Hermitage, Zetland, Brown Pasture, Morning Star, Mount Pelier and Bush Hill and all that portion of the island of Nevis lying and being within a straight line from Nevis Peak to the eastern boundary of Webbes Village and thence to the sea at Bachelor Hall and a straight line from Nevis Peak through the western boundary of Cox's Village to the sea.

Registration of Butchers.

13. (1) No person shall exercise the trade of a butcher or act as a butcher's assistant within the limits of the market area unless he or she is duly registered as such as hereinafter provided.

(2) Every person who desires to exercise the trade of a butcher or to act as a butcher's assistant shall produce to the Market Keeper a certificate in writing signed by a medical practitioner that he or she is a fit and proper person to exercise the trade

of a butcher or act as a butcher's assistant; and thereupon the Market Keeper shall register him or her accordingly and shall issue to him or her free of cost a certificate of registration, and each person so registered shall produce a medical certificate to the Market Keeper every six months.

(3) The Market Keeper shall enter in a book to be called "The Register of Butchers" the names and addresses of all persons registered as butchers or butchers' assistants.

(4) If any person registered as a butcher or butcher's assistant shall have, by using any forged certificate or other fraudulent means, caused himself or herself to be so registered or shall misconduct himself or herself in the exercise of his or her trade, or shall be three times convicted of offences against these regulations, or shall be convicted of felony in connection with his or her trade, the Medical Officer of District No. 7 may order his or her name to be expunged from the Register of Butchers and thereupon such person shall be disqualified from exercising the trade of a butcher or acting as a butcher's assistant:

Provided that before the name of such person is removed from the Register, he or she shall be given an opportunity of appearing before the Central Board of Health and being heard.

(5) If any person shall exercise the trade of a butcher or act as a butcher's assistant without being duly registered as hereinbefore provided he or she commits an offence against these regulations.

Slaughtering of animals and disposal of meat.

14. No person shall—

- (a) without the written permission of the Medical Officer of District No. 7, slaughter or cause to be slaughtered in the market area, otherwise than in the slaughterhouse any of the animals mentioned in the Schedule to these Regulations:

Provided that nothing in these regulations shall prevent any person from slaughtering a sucking pig, lamb or kid at his or her own residence for his or her domestic use;

- (b) without the written permission of the Medical Officer of District No. 7, bring or cause to be brought into the market area, any meat intended for disposal which has been slaughtered elsewhere than at the slaughterhouse;
- (c) butcher any animal within the market which has died from any cause, without the written permission of the Medical Officer of District No. 7.

Obstructions.

15. No person shall in any way obstruct or cause any objection at any gateway, walk or passage or behave in a riotous or disorderly manner, or in any way obstruct or impede the traffic in the market.

Tethering horses.

16. No person shall tether or fasten any horse or other animal to the gates, rails or trees of, or in the market, or keep any animals in or under any sheds, except as hereinbefore provided; or shall permit any such animal to be at large in the market.

Riding through market prohibited.

17. No person shall ride or drive in or through the market.

Buildings prohibited.

18. No person shall erect any building, or shed, or plant or fix any poles in the Market without the consent of the Central Board of Health.

The market keeper may eject persons.

19. The Market Keeper may eject, or cause to be arrested or ejected from the market by any constable or other person—

- (a) any disorderly person, or persons acting indecently, or person dirtily or indecently dressed, or using obscene, abusive or insulting language, or swearing or behaving in a manner calculated to disturb the peace of the market;
- (b) any person afflicted with leprosy, yaws, sores, or any other loathsome disease whatsoever.

Market keeper may give direction.

20. Every person in the market shall obey the lawful directions of the Market Keeper.

Prohibited acts.

21. No person shall—

- (a) smoke, or spit in the market;
- (b) sit or lie on any block, stand, counter or table, in the market, or on the pavement thereof;
- (c) sharpen any instrument on any part of the market structure;
- (d) use any blasphemous, obscene, abusive or insulting language, or swear, or otherwise misbehave in the market;
- (e) fight or create, or cause to be created any row, riot or disturbance in the market;
- (f) throw filth, dirt, rubbish or litter in the market;
- (g) open and clean the stomachs or intestines of any animal in the slaughter house;
- (h) break, cut, pull down, destroy, remove, injure or spoil any part of the market;
- (i) be in the Market when it is closed to the public without permission of the Market Keeper;
- (j) sell or offer for sale any kerosine oil in the market;
- (k) introduce, dispose of, consume, sell or offer for sale any wine, malt liquor, spirits or intoxicants of any kind in the market;
- (l) take or bring any dog, or permit any dog to follow, or accompany him or her to the market;

(m) light any fire in the market, or cook therein, except in such parts thereof and under such conditions as may be from time to time pointed out and allowed by the Market Keeper;

(n) commit any nuisance in, or at any part of the market.

No Responsibility for loss or damage to property.

22. Neither the Government nor the Market Keeper shall be responsible for the loss of or damage to any property left in the market.

Penalties.

23. Any person who commits an offence against these regulations shall, on summary conviction, be liable to a fine not exceeding three hundred dollars or to imprisonment with or without hard labour for a term not exceeding two months.

SCHEDULE TO THE REGULATIONS

(Regulation 8)

	cents
For the weekly rent of a table for the sale of vegetables, fruit, small wares or articles of a like nature	6
For the weekly rent of a table for the sale of fresh meat, salt provisions, cooked food, cornmeal, sugar or articles of a like nature	12
For each basket or head load of articles for sale brought into the market	1
For each barrel or bag of articles for sale brought into the market	2
For every head of cattle exceeding 12 months old.....	48
For every head of cattle not exceeding 12 months old	24
For every head of cattle not exceeding 8 weeks old	12
For each sheep, goat or pig	12
For each lamb, kid or sucking pig.....	6
For every turtle not exceeding 60 lbs.....	8
For each turtle exceeding 60 lbs.	16

FOURTH SCHEDULE

(Section 11)

MARKET (DOGS) REGULATIONS

Short title.

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Market (Dogs) Regulations.

Dogs to be prevented from being in meat markets.

2. It shall be the duty of all butchers and their assistants and all other persons employed in the performance of any work or duty or performing any work or duty in and about any meat market in the State to prevent dogs from being in or about or at or near to any such market or any part thereof.

Penalty.

3. Any person who is found guilty of an offence against these regulations shall, on summary conviction, be liable to a penalty not exceeding three hundred dollars, and in default of payment to imprisonment with or without hard labour for any term not exceeding two months.

FIFTH SCHEDULE

(Section 11)

SANDY POINT MARKET REGULATIONS

Short title.

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Sandy Point Market Regulations.

Interpretation.

2. In these Regulations "the market" means the public market in Sandy Point.

Open to public.

3. (1) The market shall be opened daily from 6 o'clock a.m. to 6 o'clock p.m. except on Saturdays and on the eves of holidays when it shall be kept open until 9 o'clock p.m.

(2) On holidays the market shall be closed at 9 a.m.:

Provided always the butchers and their assistants shall be allowed to have access to the slaughterhouse at such hour as shall be arranged for with the Market Keeper, or in case of disagreement at such hour as shall be fixed by the member of the District Board of Health who shall be charged with the inspection and care of the market.

Officer in charge.

4. The Superintendent of Public Works shall take charge of the market and shall keep such books as the District Board of Health shall require.

Market tables.

5. (1) Tables in the market shall be marked off and numbered and shall be let at such rates as are mentioned in the Schedule to these regulations, and shall be paid for weekly in advance, and any tenant or holder who refuses or neglects to pay his or her rents as provided in this regulation shall not be permitted to occupy such table, and it shall be the duty of the Market Keeper to remove such table forthwith.

(2) Every renter of a table shall give three days notice of his intention to quit the same, and no article shall be kept on any table except such articles as are intended for sale.

(3) Persons other than table holders bringing into the market any provisions or other articles for sale shall place them in such part of the market as shall be pointed out by the Market Keeper, and shall pay the fees mentioned in the Schedule to these regulations.

Animals to be slaughtered in the market.

6. (1) No person shall, without the written permission of the Chief Medical Officer, slaughter or cause to be slaughtered in the town of Sandy Point, otherwise than in the slaughterhouse, any of the animals mentioned in the Schedule to these regulations:

Provided that nothing in these regulations shall prevent any person from slaughtering a sucking pig, lamb or kid at his or her own residence for his or her domestic use.

(2) No person shall, without the written permission of the Chief Medical Officer, bring or cause to be brought into the town of Sandy Point any meat intended for disposal which has been slaughtered elsewhere than at the slaughterhouse.

(3) All cattle, sheep, goats and pigs brought to the market to be slaughtered for consumption shall be placed in the stock shed at least fifteen hours before being slaughtered:

Provided always that in case of emergency the time above mentioned may be abridged by the member of the District Board of Health who shall be charged with the inspection and care of the market.

Inspection of animals.

7. (1) The Sanitary Officer of the District Board of Health shall inspect and approve of as fit for human food all animals whether for local consumption or otherwise which are brought to the market to be slaughtered.

(2) If after the slaughter of any animal any doubt should arise as to its fitness for human food the Sanitary Officer of the District shall forthwith summon the Medical Officer of the District and obtain his or her opinion as to its fitness for human consumption, and a fee of \$1.20 shall be paid to the Medical Officer for this inspection and opinion.

Collection of fees.

8. The Market Keeper shall collect such fees for slaughtering and for other purposes as are mentioned in the Schedule to these regulations.

Slaughter house.

9. No person shall enter the slaughterhouse other than members of the District Board of Health, the servants of the Board and those actually engaged in the slaughtering of animals.

Butchers.

10. (1) No person shall exercise the trade of a butcher or act as a butcher's assistant within the limits of the town of Sandy Point unless he or she is duly registered as such as hereinafter provided.

(2) Every person who is desirous of exercising the trade of a butcher or acting as a butcher's assistant shall produce to the Chief Medical Officer a certificate in writing signed by a medical practitioner that he or she is a fit and proper person to exercise the trade of a butcher or act as a butcher's assistant; and thereupon the Chief Medical Officer shall register him or her accordingly and shall issue to him or her free of cost a certificate of registration, and such a medical certificate will be required periodically at intervals of six months.

(3) The Chief Medical Officer shall enter in a book to be called the "Register of Butchers" the name and addresses of all persons registered as butchers or butchers' assistants.

(4) If any person registered as a butcher or butcher's assistant shall have by using any forged certificate or other fraudulent means caused himself or herself to be so registered, or shall misconduct himself or herself in the exercise of his or her trade, or shall be three times convicted of offences against these regulations, or shall be convicted of felony in connection with his or her trade, the Chief Medical Officer may order his or her name to be removed from the Register of Butchers and thereupon such person shall be disqualified from exercising the trade of a butcher or acting as a butcher's assistant, just as if he or she had never been registered as such:

Provided that before the name of such person is removed from the Register he or she shall be given an opportunity of appearing before the Chief Medical Officer and being heard.

(5) If any person exercises the trade of a butcher or acts as a butcher's assistant without being duly registered as hereinbefore provided he or she commits an offence against these regulations.

(6) Every butcher shall be clean in his or her clothing and be provided with clean cloths or towels when disposing of meat in his or her stall.

Butchers' Stalls.

11. Butchers' stalls shall have their owners' names painted in legible letters and placed in front of the same and butchers shall conform to such directions for cleaning their stalls as the Sanitary Officer of the District Board of Health may direct.

Discipline.

12. (1) No person shall in any way obstruct or cause any obstruction at any gateway, walk or passage or behave in a riotous or disorderly manner, or in any way obstruct or impede the traffic of the market.

(2) No person shall tether or fasten any horse or other animal to the gates, rails or trees in the market, or keep any animal in or under any sheds, except as hereinbefore provided; or shall permit any such animal to be at large in the market.

(3) No person shall ride or drive in or through the market.

(4) No person shall erect any building, or shed, or plant or fix any poles in the market without the consent of the District Board of Health.

(5) No person shall injure or destroy or remove any article of furniture or other property belonging to the market, or tear down or deface or destroy any notice in the market, printed or written, put up by public authority.

Market Keeper's Powers.

13. The Market Keeper may eject, or cause to be arrested or ejected from the market, by any constable or other person—

- (a) any disorderly person, or person acting indecently, or person dirtily or indecently dressed, or using obscene, abusive or insulting language, or swearing or behaving in a manner calculated to disturb the peace of the market;
- (b) any person afflicted with leprosy, yaws, sores, or any other loathsome disease whatsoever.

Order in Market.

14. Every person in the market shall obey the lawful directions of the Market Keeper.

Offences.

15. No person shall—

- (a) smoke or spit in the market;
- (b) sit or lie on any block, stand, counter or table, in the market, or on the pavement thereof;
- (c) sharpen any instrument on any part of the market structure.
- (d) use any blasphemous, obscene, abusive or insulting language, or swear, or otherwise misbehave in the market;
- (e) fight or create or cause to be created, any row, riot or disturbance in the market;
- (f) throw filth, dirt, rubbish or litter in the market;
- (g) open or clean the stomachs or intestines of any animal in the slaughterhouse;
- (h) break, cut, pull down, destroy, remove, injure or spoil any part of the market;
- (i) be in the market during the hours that the market is not open to the public without the permission of the Market Keeper;
- (j) sell or offer for sale any kerosene oil in the market;
- (k) introduce, dispose of, consume, sell or offer for sale any wine, malt liquor, spirits or intoxicants of any kind in the market;
- (l) take or bring any dog, or permit any dog to follow, or accompany him or her into the market;
- (m) light any fire in the market, or cook therein, except in such parts thereof and under such conditions as may be from time to time pointed out and allowed by the Market Keeper;
- (n) commit any nuisance in, or at any part of the market.

Damage to Property.

16. Neither the government nor the Market Keeper shall be responsible for the loss of or damage to any property left in the market.

Penalties.

17. Every person who is found guilty of any offence against these regulations shall, on summary conviction, be liable to a penalty not exceeding three hundred dollars, and in default of payment, to imprisonment with or without hard labour for any term not exceeding two months.

SCHEDULE TO THE REGULATIONS

(Regulations 5, 6 and 8)

	cents
For the weekly rent of a table for the sale of vegetables, fruit, small wares, etc.....	6
For the weekly rent of a table for the sale of fresh meat, salt provisions, cooked food, corn meal, sugar, etc.	12
Any person not renting a table for each basket or tray of provisions, etc., brought into the market	1
For each barrel or bag of provisions, etc., brought into the market	2

FEES TO BE COLLECTED FOR SLAUGHTERING.

For every head of cattle slaughtered	48
For every head of cattle not exceeding 12 months old	24
For every head of cattle not exceeding 8 weeks old	12
For each sheep, goat or pig	12
For each lamb, kid or sucking pig	6
For each turtle not exceeding 60 lbs.	8
For each turtle exceeding 60 lbs.	16
