

Agricultural Marketing (Meat Import Control) Regulations, 1992

In exercise of the powers vested in me by Section 4 of the Agricultural Marketing Act, 1967¹, I,

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Minister of Agriculture, Co-operatives and Marketing make the following regulations:

1. These regulations may be cited as the Agricultural Marketing (Meat Import Control) Regulations 1992, and shall come into operation on the date of their publication in the Gazette. Citation and commencement
2. (1) In these regulations, expressions used shall have the same respective meanings as in the Agricultural Marketing Act 1967 and the Importation and Exportation of Livestock and Livestock Products Proclamation, 1952². Interpretation
 (2) In addition to subregulation (1) "meat" means any part of the body of livestock which is ordinarily used for human consumption and includes any edible offal.
3. All persons wishing to import meat into Lesotho shall do so only when in possession of a permit issued by the Principal Secretary responsible for the Ministry of Agriculture, Cooperatives and Marketing. The permit will be in the form prescribed in the schedule to these regulations. Importation of meat Schedule
5. (1) For every permit holder who imports meat into Lesotho, there shall be levied a fee of: Import fee
 (a) M0.25 per kilogramme on all meat other than poultry;
 (b) M0.20 per kilogramme on poultry meat.
 (2) Any fees payable in respect of a permit under these regulations shall be paid into the Livestock Development Fund³.
6. These regulations shall not apply to personal imports of meat not exceeding 10 kilogrammes per day. Exemptions
7. (1) Any meat imported contrary to regulation 3 shall be dealt with in accordance with the Customs and Excise Act 1982⁴. Seizure of illegally imported meat
 (2) Any illegally imported meat found on traders' premises may be seized by an officer charged with carrying out inspectorate work.
8. (1) A person who contravenes or fails to comply with any of these regulations commits an offence and is liable, Penalty and disposal
 (a) on first conviction to a fine not exceeding M200 or to imprisonment for a period not exceeding 6 months or to both such fine and imprisonment;

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