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I make these Regulations under sections 4 and 5 of the Livestock and Meat Products Ordinance 2010 on the advice of Executive Council.

1. Title

These Regulations are the Livestock and Meat Products (Hygiene) (Amendment) Regulations 2020.

2. Commencement

These Regulations come into force on publication in the *Gazette*.

3. Amendment of the Livestock and Meat Products (Hygiene) Regulations 2015

These Regulations amend the Livestock and Meat Products (Hygiene) Regulations 2015 (the “Regulations”).

4. Regulation 3 (Interpretation) amended

In regulation 3(1) of the Regulations —

- (a) in the definition of “**food business**”, for “meat and meat products” substitute “fresh meat, meat preparations and meat products”;
- (b) in the definition of “**livestock**”, after “kept for other farming purposes” insert “except reindeer that are kept on a farm but do not otherwise undergo any husbandry procedures”;
- (c) for the definition of “**meat products**” substitute —

“**meat products**” means products resulting from the processing of fresh meat or from the further processing of meat preparations and minced meat, so that the cut surface shows that the product no longer has the characteristics of fresh meat;”;

(d) in paragraph (a) of the definition of “**packaging**”, after “wrapped meat” insert “, meat preparations”;

(e) in the definition of “**primary products**”, for “stock” substitute “livestock”;

(f) in the definition of “**relevant EU legislation**” for paragraph (c) substitute —

“(c) Regulation (EU) 2017/625 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 15 March 2017 on official controls and other official activities performed to ensure the application of food and feed law, rules on animal health and welfare, plant health and plant protection products;”;

and omit paragraph (f).

(g) for the definition of “**small quantities**” substitute —

“**small quantities of fresh meat**” means not more than —

(a) 20 sheep carcasses in a month on average or 240 sheep carcasses in a 12-month period;

(b) 1 beef carcass in a month on average or 12 beef carcasses in a 12-month period;

(c) 3 pig carcasses in a month on average or 36 pig carcasses in a 12-month period;

(d) 2 goat carcasses in a month on average or 24 goat carcasses in a 12-month period; and

(e) 10 kilograms of poultry in a month on average or 120 kilograms of poultry in a 12-month period;”;

(h) delete the definition of “**unprocessed meat products**”.

5. Regulation 4 (application) amended

For regulation 4 of the Regulations substitute —

“4. Application

(1) Regulations 5 to 27 inclusive do not apply to —

(a) the production, preparation, handling or storage of fresh meat, meat preparations and meat products for private domestic consumption; or

(b) the direct supply by a person who keeps livestock of small quantities of fresh meat in the form of carcasses, parts of carcasses or joints of meat to the final consumer.

(2) The competent authority may publish guidance on good hygiene practice for the control of hazards in the production of small quantities of fresh meat and the preparation, handling or storage of meat preparations and meat products to which regulation 4(1)(b) applies and associated operations.”.

6. Miscellaneous amendments to the Regulations

The Regulations are amended as follows —

- (a) in regulation 5, for “meat or meat products” substitute “fresh meat, meat preparations or meat products”;
- (b) in regulation 6 wherever the phrase “meat and meat products” occurs, substitute “fresh meat, meat preparations and meat products”;
- (c) paragraph (g) of regulation 8(2) is omitted;
- (d) in regulation 9(1) after “going for slaughter” insert “at an abattoir”;
- (e) in the heading to Part 3 for “MEAT AND MEAT PRODUCTS” substitute “MEAT, MEAT PREPARATIONS AND MEAT PRODUCTS”;
- (f) in regulation 13(4) for “the exported meat” substitute “any exported meat”;
- (g) in regulation 14 —
 - (i) in the title, for “**meat products**” substitute “**fresh meat, meat preparations and meat products**”;
 - (ii) in sub-regulation (1) for “meat products” substitute “fresh meat, meat preparations and meat products”; and
 - (iii) in sub-regulation (2) for “premises” substitute “a designated abattoir”;
- (h) for regulation 15 substitute —

“15. Placing of fresh meat on the market

In these Regulations, fresh meat, meat preparations and meat products are placed on the market if the fresh meat, meat preparation or meat product is held for the purpose of, or offered for, sale for human consumption and in this regulation “**sale**” includes any form of transfer or distribution, whether free of charge or not.”;

- (i) in regulation 16(1) and (3) wherever the phrase “meat or meat products” occurs substitute “fresh meat, meat preparations or meat products”;
- (j) in regulation 19 —
 - (i) in the title, for “**meat and meat products**” substitute “**fresh meat, meat preparations and meat products**”;

- (ii) in sub-regulation (1) for “meat and meat products” substitute “fresh meat, meat preparations and meat products”; and
 - (iii) in sub-regulation (2) for “meat or meat product” substitute “fresh meat, meat preparation or meat product”.
- (k) in regulation 20 —
 - (i) in sub-regulation (1) for “meat and meat products” substitute “fresh meat, meat preparations and meat products”;
 - (ii) in sub-regulation (2)(b) for “meat and meat products” substitute “meat joint, meat preparation or meat product”;
 - (iii) in sub-regulation (3) for “in the case of frozen meat and meat products” substitute “in the case of frozen fresh meat, meat preparations and meat products” and for “a person to whom the meat or meat product is supplied” substitute “a person to whom the fresh meat, meat preparation or meat product is supplied”; and
 - (iv) in sub-regulation (4) before “meat product” insert “meat preparation or”;
- (l) in regulation 27 —
 - (i) in sub-regulation (1) after “fresh meat” in both places that it occurs insert “, meat preparation or meat product”;
 - (ii) in sub-regulation (2) for “fresh meat” where it first appears substitute “consignment” and in paragraphs (a) and (c) delete “fresh meat”;
 - (iii) in sub-regulation (3) after “fresh meat” insert “, meat preparations or meat products”; and
 - (iv) in sub-regulation (4) after “fresh meat” insert “, meat preparation or meat product, as the case may be,”;
- (m) in regulation 28(1) —
 - (i) at the end of sub-paragraph (d) omit “and”;
 - (ii) at the end of sub-paragraph (e) for “.” substitute “; and”; and
 - (iii) after sub-paragraph (e) insert —
 - “(f) the name and contact details of any final consumer to whom small quantities of fresh meat are supplied and the amount and type of meat.”;
- (n) in Schedule 3 —
 - (i) in Part A —

- (aa) in paragraph 1, before “meat products” insert “minced meat, meat preparations and”; and
- (bb) in paragraph 2 delete the second sentence;
- (ii) in Part B —
 - (aa) in paragraph 1(a) for “meat and meat products” substitute “minced meat, meat preparations and MSM”; and
 - (bb) in paragraph 1(b) —
 - (aaa) after “exposed meat” delete “and products”;
 - (bbb) for “the meat and meat products must be stored” substitute “the meat must be stored”; and
 - (ccc) at the end of the provision, delete “or products”; and
- (o) in Schedule 4 —
 - (i) for the title to the schedule, substitute “**PACKAGING, MARKING AND LABELLING OF FRESH MEAT, MEAT PREPARATIONS AND MEAT PRODUCTS**”;
 - (ii) in paragraph 1 of Part A, for “the meat or meat product leaves” substitute “fresh meat or meat preparations leaves”;
 - (iii) in Part B —
 - (aa) in paragraph 1 for “the meat or meat product leaves” substitute “fresh meat or meat preparations leaves”; and
 - (bb) in paragraph 3 for “meat and meat products” substitute “fresh meat and meat preparations”;
 - (iv) in the title to figure 2 in Part C (Health Marks), after “Health Mark for Meat” insert “only”; and
 - (v) in Part E —
 - (aa) for the title to the part substitute “**MANDATORY FOOD INFORMATION REQUIRED FOR EXPORTED PRODUCTS OF ANIMAL ORIGIN**”;
 - (bb) in paragraph 4 of section A, after “added to” insert “fresh meat, meat preparations or”;
 - (cc) in paragraph 5 of section A, after “It must be made clear if” insert “meat preparations or”; and

(dd) for the title to section B, substitute “The list of ingredients in the fresh meat, meat preparation or meat product”.

Made 30 October 2020

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Acting Governor.

EXPLANATORY NOTE
(not forming part of these Regulations)

These Regulations are made under the Livestock and Meat Products Ordinance 2015. The Regulations amend the Livestock and Meat Products (Hygiene) Regulations 2015 (the “Regulations”) to ensure that farmers who produce meat for human consumption are not subject to the detail of the Regulations in relation to the domestic use of meat they produce or the sale of small quantities of such meat direct to the public in the Falkland Islands. The Regulations extend the existing exemption for small numbers of sheep and beef carcasses to include small numbers of pig and goat carcasses and a small quantity of poultry meat.

The scope of the exemption is however narrowed so that from now on, all producers, including those producing small quantities of meat, must comply with the record keeping requirements in regulation 28 of the Regulations. A new requirement is added that records are kept of the name and contact details of persons purchasing fresh meat direct from farms, to ensure traceability in the event of any risk to public health being identified. Failure to comply with this requirement is a criminal offence.

The Regulations also introduce a new power for the Senior Veterinary Officer or any other authorised official of Department of Agriculture (as the competent authority) to provide guidance on good hygiene practice for the control of hazards in the production and sale of small quantities of meat.

The Regulations correct the inconsistent use of some defined terms (in particular “fresh meat” “meat preparations” and “meat products”) in the Regulations.