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GOVERNMENT NOTICE No. 121.

THE FOOD CONTROL ORDINANCE, 1929.

NOTICE.

IN EXERCISE of the powers conferred upon him by section 4 of the Food Control Ordinance, 1929, His Excellency the Acting Governor has been pleased to appoint:—

C. R. Maynard, Esq., Colonel W. K. Tucker, C.B.E., T.D., W. Tyson, Esq., M.B.E.,

to be members of the Food Control Board.

And in accordance with the terms of section 5 of the said Ordinance His Excellency the Acting Governor has been pleased to approve the appointment of A. C. Hunter, Esq., to be Secretary to the Food Control Board.

By Command of His Excellency the Acting Governor.

Nairobi,

This 1st day of March, 1929.

J. E. S. MERRICK, Acting Colonial Secretary.

GOVERNMENT NOTICE No. 122.

COLONY AND PROTECTORATE OF KENYA.

THE CUSTOMS MANAGEMENT ORDINANCE, 1926,

AND

THE INTERPRETATION AND GENERAL CLAUSES ORDINANCE

(Chapter 1 of the Revised Edition).

ORDER.

IN EXERCISE of the powers thereunto enabling him His Excellency the Acting Governor has been pleased to revoke the Order dated the 5th day of February, 1929, appearing as Government Notice No. 81 on page 251 of the Official Gazette dated the 5th February, 1929.

By Command of His Excellency the Acting Governor.

Nairobi,

This 1st day of March, 1929.

J. E. S. MERRICK,
Acting Colonial Secretary.

PROCLAMATION No. 45.

COLONY AND PROTECTORATE OF KENYA.



THE FOOD CONTROL ORDINANCE, 1929. PROCLAMATION.

J. W. BARTH.



BY His Excellency Sir Jacob William Barth, Knight, Commander of the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire, Acting Governor and Commander-in-Chief of the Colony and Protectorate of Kenya.

IN EXERCISE of the powers conferred upon me by section 3 of the Food Control Ordinance, 1929, I do hereby prohibit the exportation from the Colony of maize, maize meal and pulse (beans, peas, etc.), except under a licence from the Food Control Board.

GOD SAVE THE KING.

Given under my hand and the Public Seal of the Colony this 1st day of March, 1929.

By Command of His Excellency the Acting Governor.

J. E. S. MERRICK, Acting Colonial Secretary.

GOVERNMENT NOTICE No. 123.

THE FOOD CONTROL ORDINANCE, 1929.
ORDER.

IN EXERCISE of the powers vested in the Food Control Board by section 7 (1) (b) of the Food Control Ordinance, 1929, the Board hereby orders all persons in possession of or controlling stocks of maize, maize meal and pulse (beans, peas, etc.), for purposes of sale to furnish to the Secretary, Food Coontrol Board, c/o Department of Agriculture, Nairobi, on the 15th day of March, 1929, complete returns showing the quantities of the stocks of the said foodstuffs held by them on the aforesaid date. Such returns are required to be furnished in the appropriate form set out in the Schedule hereto.

(Note.—Failure to comply with the requirements of this Order renders offenders liable to a penalty not exceeding one hundred pounds or to imprisonment of either description for a period not exceeding one year, or to both.

Copies of the forms set out in the Schedule hereto may be obtained at the Offices of the said Department of Agriculture at Nairobi, also at the offices of the Resident Commissioners and District Commissioners).

Department of Agriculture,

Nairobi. 1st day of March, 1929. ALEX HOLM,

Director of Agriculture.

(Chairman, Food Control Board.)

SCHEDULE.

The Food Control Ordinance, 1929.

FORM I.

To be completed and rendered by Associations, Merchants, Dealers, Millers and all other persons other than growers.

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(1)	Maize	366 255	bags of 200 lbs.	
(2)	Maize Meal	***	bags of 200 lbs.	
(3)	Pulse (Beans,	Peas, etc.)	bags of 200 lbs.	~·
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AN ORDINANCE

No. 1 of 1929.

Assented to in His Majesty's name this twenty-third day of February, 1929.

> JACOB WILLIAM BARTH, Acting Governor.

> > [23rd February, 1929.] Date of assent.

An Ordinance to provide for the Conservation, Control, and Distribution of Foodstuffs in the Colony during the Present Year.

23rd February, 1929.

Date of commencement.

ENACTED by the Governor of the Colony of Kenya, with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council thereof, as follows :-

- 1. This Ordinance may be cited as "the Food Control Short title. Ordinance, 1929."
- 2. In this Ordinance, the term "foodstuff" includes Interpretation. anything capable of being used as food for man or of being converted into food for man.
- 3. (1) Without prejudice to any other power of prohibiting Power to or regulating the exportation of goods from the Colony, the exportat Governor may from time to time, by proclamation, prohibit, foodstuffs. restrict or regulate the exportation from the Colony or from any area or place therein of any foodstuff.

- Every person concerned in the exportation or attempted exportation of any foodstuff in contravention of any proclamation issued under this section shall be guilty of an offence against this Ordinance, and shall be liable, on conviction by a magistrate, for every such offence, to a penalty not exceeding five hundred pounds or to imprisonment of either description for a period not exceeding two years, or to both.
- 4. (1) For the purposes of this Ordinance there shall be Establishment established a Food Control Board (hereinafter referred to as Control Board. "the Board") which shall consist of :-
 - (a) The Director of Agriculture as Chairman;
 - (b) The Treasurer as Deputy Chairman;
- (c) The Chief Native Commissioner, and three other persons, not being members of the public service, to be nominated by the Governor.
- The Chairman or Deputy Chairman and two other members shall form a quorum.
- (3) Questions before the Board shall be decided by a majority of votes of those present and voting, and, in the case of equality of votes, the Chairman or Deputy Chariman, as the case may be, shall have a second or casting vote.

(4) Each member of the Board (not being a member of the public service) may, in the discretion of the Board, be paid out of the funds of the Board such reasonable out-of-pocket expenses as may from time to time be incurred by him in the execution of his duties as a member of the Board.

Appointment of Secretary and staff.

- 5. (1) The Board may, subject to the approval of the Governor, appoint a fit and proper person to act as Secretary to the Board, and may, subject to the like approval, appoint such staff as to the Board may appear necessary.
- (2) The Secretary to the Board shall exercise such powers and perform such duties as may be assigned to him by the Board.
- (3) The Secretary and staff shall be remunerated out of the funds of the Board at such rates as the Governor in Council may, on the recommendation of the Board, prescribe.

Funds of the Board.

6. The funds of the Board for the purpose of the exercise of its powers and the performance of its duties under this Ordinance shall consist of such moneys as the Governor may, with the sanction of the Legislative Council, from time to time authorise the Treasurer to pay to the Board.

Powers and duties of Board.

- 7. (1) The powers and duties of the Board shall be as follows:—
 - (a) To advise the Governor in regard to the issue, from time to time, of proclamations under section 3 of this Ordinance;
 - (b) To order all persons holding or controlling stocks of any foodstuffs for the purpose of sale, whether by wholesale or retail, to make full and accurate returns in writing, at such periods or within such time as may be stated in the order, showing the quantity of any foodstuffs held or controlled by such persons;
 - (c) To order any person holding or controlling stocks of any foodstuff to refrain from disposing, whether by sale or otherwise, of such stocks or any part thereof without the written permission of the Board;
 - (d) To acquire, at such prices as may be fixed by the Board, such quantities of foodstuffs as may from time to time be required by the Board for purposes of famine relief, and to require delivery of foodstuffs so acquired at such place as may be named by the Board;
 - (e) To dispose, in such manner and on such terms as the Board may think fit, of any foodstuffs acquired under the last preceding paragraph;
 - (f) To fix, by order, the maximum price at which any foodstuff may be sold or purchased, either by wholesale or retail. Any order under this paragraph may be of general application or may apply to any particular locality or localities;
 - (g) To purchase outside the Colony and to import such foodstuffs as in the opinion of the Board may from time to time be required to supplement local supplies;

- (h) To arrange for the delivery of foodstuffs at convenient centres for the purpose of distribution in areas where, in the opinion of the Board, famine relief is required;
- (i) To requisition, at such rates as may be determined by the Board, such means of transport as may from time to time be required by the Board;
- (j) Subject to the approval of the Governor, to make Rules for the better carrying out of the powers and duties of the Board and of the provisions of this Ordinance;
- (k) To draw up and promulgate such forms as the Board may consider necessary.
- Every order made under paragraphs (b) and (f) of the preceding sub-section shall be published in the Gazette and shall take effect as from the date of such publication.
- 8. Any person who, without reasonable excuse, the proof Offences. of which shall lie upon such person-
 - (a) fails or neglects to make any return ordered by the Board under sub-section (1) (b) of the last preceding section, or who makes any return which is false or inaccurate; or
 - (b) disposes or contracts or attempts to dispose of any stocks of foodstuffs or any part thereof contrary to an order made under sub-section (1) (c) of the last preceding section; or
 - (c) fails to deliver at such place as may be named by the Board any foodstuffs acquired by the Board under sub-section (1) (d) of the last preceding section; or
 - (d) sells or purchases, or contracts or attempts to sell or purchase, whether on credit or for cash, any foodstuffs in respect of which a maximum price has been fixed by the Board under sub-section (1) (f) of the last preceding section, at a price exceeding the price so fixed; or
 - (e) fails to provide such means of transport as may be in his possession or under his control when such means of transport has been requisitioned by the Board under sub-section (1) (i) of the last preceding section; or
 - (f) contravenes or fails to comply with any Rule made by the Board under sub-section (1) (j) of the last preceding section; or
 - (g) obstructs or hinders the Board or any member thereof or any person acting under the authority of the Board in the lawful exercise of any power or performance of any duty conferred or imposed upon the Board under this Ordinance,

shall be guilty of an offence against this Ordinance.

9. (1) The Board may, in its discretion, grant licences Power to to fit and proper persons to deal in foodstuffs, and may, by order published in the Gazette, prohibit the sale to or foodstuffs. purchase from any person other than a licensed dealer of any such foodstuff.

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(2) Any person who, without reasonable excuse, the proof of which shall lie upon such person, contravenes any order made under this section shall be guilty of an offence against this Ordinance.

General penalty for offences.

10. (1) Any person who is guilty of any offence against this Ordinance or against any Rule made thereunder for which no penalty is expressly provided shall be liable, on conviction before a magistrate, for every such offence, to a penalty not exceeding one hundred pounds or to imprisonment of either description for a period not exceeding one year, or to both.

Aiding or abetting offences.

(2) Any person who aids, abets, counsels or procures the commission of any offence against this Ordinance shall be deemed to have committed such offence and shall be punishable accordingly.

Offences cognizable to the police.

11. Offences against this Ordinance shall be cognizable to the police.

Power to

12. Any person duly authorised in writing by the Board enter premises. may, at all reasonable times, enter upon and into any land, house, shop, vessel or any premises within the Colony for the purpose of ensuring the due carrying out of the provisions cí this Ordinance or any orders or Rules made thereunder, and may examine and inspect the stock of foodstuffs therein; and such person may, in case of opposition or obstruction, use such force as may be necessary to effect such entry, and shall not be liable for any damage directly or indirectly occasioned by such forcible entry.

Provision for compensatio. in certain cases.

- 13. (1) If any person is ordered by the Board under section 7 (1) (c) of this Ordinance to refrain from disposing of any foodstuffs, and such foodstuffs are not subsequently acquired by the Board under section 7 (1) (d), the Board shall pay to such person compensation for any loss proved to the satisfaction of the Board to have been sustained by him in consequence of his compliance with the order of the Board.
- Any person who is prohibited from exporting any foodstuff in consequence of the issue of any proclamation under section 3 of this Ordinance may apply to the Board for compensation for any loss sustained by him in consequence of such prohibition, and the Board may pay to such person compensation for any loss proved to the satisfaction of the Board to have been so sustained by him.

Protection in case of breach of contract.

14. No person shall be liable for any breach of contract if such breach is caused by any proclamation under section 3 or by any order made by, or the exercise of any power conferred upon, the Board under this Ordinance.

Duration of Ordinance.

15. This Ordinance shall continue in force until the thirty-first day of December, 1929, and shall then expire.