



Anthrax Prevention Act 1919

1919 CHAPTER 23 9 and 10 Geo 5

An Act to control the importation of goods infected or likely to be infected with Anthrax, and to provide for the disinfection of any such goods. [22nd July 1919]

Modifications etc. (not altering text)

- C1 Act repealed (G.B.) by [S.I. 1974/1775, art. 2](#); applied (N.I.) by [S.I. 1976/1042 \(N.I. 15\), Sch. 4](#).
- C2 Functions of Minister of Health and Social Services under this Act now exercisable by Department of Manpower Services: S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1973/504
- C3 Act amended by [S.I. 1990/1380, art. 3](#)
- C4 Act: saved by virtue of Health and Safety at Work etc. Act 1974 (c. 37, SIF 43:3), s. 53, [Sch. 1](#) and [Tay Road Bridge Order Confirmation Act 1991 \(c. iv\), Sch. Pt. VII](#), s. 62
- C5 Act: saved by virtue of Health and Safety at Work etc. Act 1974 (c. 37, SIF 43:3), s. 53, [Sch. 1](#) and [Highland Regional Council \(Harbours\) Order Confirmation Act 1991 \(c. xii\), s. 61\(1\)\(f\)](#)

Commencement Information

- II Act wholly in force at 22.7.1919

1 Power to prohibit the importation of goods infected with anthrax.

- (1) His Majesty may by Order in Council make provision for preventing the importation into the United Kingdom, either absolutely or except at any specified ports and subject to any specified conditions as to disinfection and otherwise, of goods infected, or likely to be infected, with anthrax (in this Act referred to as “infected goods”).
- (2) An Order under this section may contain a declaration that goods of any specified class which are of any specified origin, or are exported from or through any specified country or place, are goods likely to be infected with anthrax, and any such declaration shall be conclusive for all purposes.
- (3) Any Order made under this section may be revoked or varied by any subsequent Order.
- (4) ^{F1}
- (5) In this section the expression “specified” means specified in an Order made under this section.

Changes to legislation: There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Anthrax Prevention Act 1919. (See end of Document for details)

Textual Amendments

F1 S. 1(4) repealed by [Customs and Excise Act 1952 \(c. 44\)](#), [Sch. 12 Pt. 1](#)

Modifications etc. (not altering text)

C6 Reference to His Majesty to be construed (N.I.) as reference to Secretary of State: S.R. & O. 1922/183 (Rev. Vol. XVI, p. 1002: 1922, p. 718), art. 35, [Irish Free State \(Consequential Provisions\) Act 1922 \(13 Geo. 5 sess. 2 c. 2\)](#), s. 1, [Sch. 1](#) and [Northern Ireland Constitution Act 1973 \(c. 36\)](#), [Sch. 5 para. 4](#)

2 Provision as to disinfection of infected goods.

- (1) A Secretary of State may provide, maintain, and carry on, or arrange for the provision, maintenance or carrying on, at such ports or other places in the United Kingdom as he thinks proper, the necessary works for the disinfection of infected goods, and may make rules providing for the payment by importers of infected goods of fees in respect of the disinfection thereof, and in respect of services rendered in connection with such disinfection, and for the recovery of such payments.
- (2) Any expenses incurred by the Secretary of State in carrying this Act into effect, up to such an amount as the Treasury may approve, shall be defrayed out of moneys provided by Parliament.

Modifications etc. (not altering text)

C7 S. 2 applied (N.I.) by [S.I. 1978/1039 \(N.I. 9\)](#), [Sch. 1](#)

3 Short title.

This Act may be cited as the Anthrax Prevention Act 1919.

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