

# Shops Act 1950

### **1950 CHAPTER 28**

#### **PART IV**

#### **SUNDAY TRADING**

Retail meat dealers' shops in England and Wales

## Exclusion of foregoing provisions as to Sunday trading in the case of retail meat dealers

Nothing in the foregoing provisions of this Part of this Act shall apply to the carrying on on Sunday of the business of a retail dealer in butchers' meat.

### Business of retail dealer in meat not to be carried on Sunday

Subject to the following provisions of this Part of this Act, it shall not be lawful for any person to carry on the business of a retail dealer in butchers' meat on Sunday, and, where the business is carried on in a shop, the shop shall for the purposes of that business be closed for the serving of customers on Sunday.

#### **Exemption as respects Jewish retail dealers in meat**

- (1) Notwithstanding anything in this or any other Act prohibiting the carrying on of business on Sunday, any person of the Jewish religion may carry on the business of a retail dealer in Kosher meat and may keep open a shop for the serving of customers for the purposes of that business on Sunday, on condition that he complies with the following provisions, that is to say—
  - (a) he must be licensed for the sale of Kosher meat by the local Board of Shechita, or in the absence of any such Board by a committee appointed for the purpose by the local Jewish congregation established in accordance with Jewish law;
  - (b) he shall not carry on the business either of a retail dealer in Kosher meat or of a retail dealer in butchers' meat on Saturday and, if he carries on the business

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- in a shop, he shall not keep open the shop for the purpose of the business on Saturday;
- (c) he shall previously give notice to the local authority of his" intention to carry on the business of a retail dealer in Kosher meat on Sunday; and
- (d) if he carries on the business in any shop, he shall cause to be kept conspicuously posted in the shop a notice stating that it is open on Sunday for the purposes of retail dealing in Kosher meat, but is not open on Saturday.
- (2) As respects any shop in which any such person carries on the said business on Sunday in compliance with the provisions of this section, this Act shall have effect as if—
  - (a) in subsection (1) of section one and subsection (1) of section seventeen, the references to weekdays were construed as references to weekdays other than Saturdays;
  - (b) throughout subsection (2) of section one "Friday " were substituted for " Saturday ".

## 63 Delivery of meat

It shall not be lawful to dispatch any butchers' meat from a shop or to deliver any butchers' meat so dispatched at any time when under the two last foregoing sections the shop may not be open for the serving of customers:

Provided that this section shall not apply—

- (a) on any Sunday being also Christmas Day; or
- (b) on any Sunday when the succeeding Monday is Christmas Day.

## Offences relating to dealing in butchers' meat on Sundays

Any person who contravenes any of the provisions of the three last foregoing sections shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding—

- (a) in the case of a first offence, five pounds; and
- (b) in the case of a second or subsequent offence, twenty pounds.

### 65 Saving for ships and aircraft

Nothing in this Part of this Act shall prevent the sale, dispatch, or delivery of butchers' meat required by any person for a ship or aircraft on her arrival at, or immediately before her departure from, a port or aerodrome.