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THE MEAT BOARD REGULATIONS 1970, AMENDMENT NO. 1

ARTHUR PORRITT, Governor-General
ORDER IN COUNCIL

At the Government Buildings at Wellington this 25th day of January
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Present:

THE RIGHT HON. SIR KEITH HOLYOAKE, G.C.M.G., C.H., PRESIDING IN
COUNCIL

PURSUANT to the Meat Export Control Act 1921–22 and the Wool Industry Act 1944, His Excellency the Governor-General, acting by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council, hereby makes the following regulations.

REGULATIONS

1. Title and commencement—(1) These regulations may be cited as the Meat Board Regulations 1970, Amendment No. 1, and shall be read together with and deemed part of the Meat Board Regulations 1970* (hereinafter referred to as the principal regulations).

(2) These regulations shall come into force on the day after the date of their notification in the *Gazette*.

2. Interpretation—(1) Regulation 2 of the principal regulations is hereby amended by inserting, after the definition of the expression “The Meat Board”, the following definition:

“‘Farmer’ means a person, company, or corporation, owning not less than 100 sheep, or owning not less than 100 cattle carried exclusively for the purposes of beef production:”

(2) The said regulation 2 is hereby further amended by revoking the definition of the term “sheep farmer”.

3. Electoral Committee—(1) Regulation 3 of the principal regulations is hereby amended by inserting in subclause (1), after the word “elected”, the words “or otherwise appointed”.

(2) The said regulation 3 is hereby further amended by revoking subclauses (2) and (3), and substituting the following subclauses:

“(2) The Electoral Committee shall comprise 26 delegates, of whom 25 shall be elected by farmers, and 1 shall hold office by virtue of his being Chairman of the Dominion Meat and Wool Section Council of Federated Farmers of New Zealand Incorporated; but if the person who is Chairman is himself an elected delegate, the Dominion Meat

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and Wool Section Council shall appoint another of its members to fill the office on the Electoral Committee which would otherwise be held by the Chairman.

“(3) At all meetings of the Electoral Committee the person holding office as a delegate by virtue of his being Chairman of the Dominion Meat and Wool Section Council, or such member of the Council as the Council may be required by subclause (2) of this regulation to appoint in his place, shall have full voting rights except that he may not vote on the election of producer representatives nor on the adoption of any annual report or balance sheet of the Meat Board or Wool Board.

“(3A) If any elected delegate of the Electoral Committee dies or resigns his office, the vacancy shall be deemed to be an extraordinary vacancy and shall be filled as follows:

“(a) If the vacancy occurs not less than 70 days before the next day fixed for a meeting of the Electoral Committee, the vacancy shall be filled by postal ballot to be conducted by the Board amongst farmers within the electoral district in respect of which the delegate who has died or resigned was nominated:

“(b) If the vacancy occurs less than 70 days before the next day fixed for a meeting of the Electoral Committee, the Meat Board, after consultation with the Wool Board and the Chairman of each Provincial Meat and Wool Section of Federated Farmers of New Zealand Incorporated that is within the electoral district, may by resolution appoint a farmer to fill the vacancy.”

4. List of farmers—The principal regulations are hereby further amended by omitting from regulation 5, and the heading to that regulation, the word “sheep”.

5. Nomination of delegates—Regulation 7 of the principal regulations is hereby amended by omitting from subclause (2) the word “sheep” in both places where it occurs.

6. Meetings—The principal regulations are hereby further amended by revoking regulation 10, and substituting the following regulation:

“10. (1) The Electoral Committee shall meet in the months of March and August on a day and at a place to be fixed by the Board.

“(2) The Chairman of the Meat Board shall submit to the Electoral Committee meeting in March for its consideration the report and balance sheet of the Meat Board’s operations for the previous year. The Chairman of the Wool Board shall submit to the Electoral Committee meeting in August for its consideration the report and balance sheet of the Wool Board’s operations for the previous year.

“(3) The Chairman of the Electoral Committee shall preside at all meetings of the Electoral Committee except to the extent that at the March meeting the Chairman of the Meat Board shall preside as Chairman of the Electoral Committee during that period of the meeting while the report and balance sheet of the Meat Board are being presented and discussed and to the extent that at the August meeting the Chairman of the Wool Board shall preside as Chairman of the Electoral Committee during that period of the meeting while the report and balance sheet of the Wool Board are being presented and discussed.

“(4) If the Chairman presiding during any meeting of the Electoral Committee is also an elected delegate, but not otherwise, he shall have a deliberative vote on any question before the meeting. In the case of an equality of votes on any question, he shall have a casting vote, whether he is an elected delegate or not.”

7. Nomination of producers’ representatives—(1) Regulation 11 of the principal regulations is hereby amended by omitting from subclause (1) the word “sheep” in both places where it occurs.

(2) The said regulation 11 is hereby further amended by adding the following subclause:

“(4) No delegate of the Electoral Committee may be nominated for election as a producers’ representative.”

8. Election of producers’ representatives—Regulation 13 of the principal regulations is hereby amended by revoking subclauses (5) and (6), and substituting the following subclauses:

“(5) Where in any ballot taken under the provisions of this regulation no candidate receives a majority of the votes and consequently no candidate is declared to be elected at that ballot, the candidate receiving the lowest number of votes in that ballot shall thereupon be eliminated and shall not be a candidate in any ballot that may thereafter be held for the purposes of that election:

“Provided that where 2 or more candidates receive at any ballot the same number of votes and that number of votes is recorded as the lowest number of votes received by any candidate at that ballot, the candidate to be eliminated from any further ballot that may be held for the purposes of that election, shall be determined by a ballot taken of those candidates only, and if no order of preference is indicated with respect to any candidate at that ballot, the Chairman of the Electoral Committee shall determine the order of preference by lot.

“(6) At any ballot taken under this regulation, no voting paper shall be valid unless votes are recorded for such number of persons as at the time of the ballot are required to be elected or to be retained for the purpose of the next ballot.”

P. J. BROOKS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This note is not part of the regulations, but is intended to indicate their general effect.

These regulations amend the Meat Board Regulations 1970. The definition of the term “sheep farmer” is revoked, and a new definition of the term “farmer” is inserted. The number of delegates comprising the Electoral Committee is increased from 25 to 26. New provisions relate to extraordinary vacancies, voting rights, and the election of producers’ representatives.

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