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THE PESTICIDE REGULATIONS 1959

COBHAM, Governor-General

ORDER IN COUNCIL

At the Government House at Wellington this 8th day of July 1959

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL IN COUNCIL

PURSUANT to the Health Act 1956, His Excellency the Governor-General, acting by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council, hereby makes the following regulations.

REGULATIONS

1. (1) These regulations may be cited as the Pesticide Regulations 1959.

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

2. In these regulations the term "pesticide" means any insecticide or chemical which is used for the destruction or control of any pests, weeds, or injurious organisms, and which may affect the production or storage of any food.

3. No person shall apply to any crop being grown for the production of food an amount of pesticide, whether in a single application or in a number of applications, which,—

- (a) Exceeds the amount which is generally considered, having regard to the stage of growth of the crop, as effective in good agricultural practice; or
- (b) Results in a residue on or in a food at the time of sale which is greater than is specified in regulation 37 of the Food and Drug Regulations 1946,* or in subclause (3) of regulation 49B of those regulations, as inserted by regulation 7 of the Food and Drug Regulations 1946, Amendment No. 12.

4. No person shall apply any systemic pesticide to any crop for the production of food:

Provided that such systemic pesticides as the Minister may by notice in the *Gazette* approve may be used in such circumstances as the Minister may so approve.

5. Every person commits an offence against these regulations who acts in contravention of or fails to comply with any provision of these regulations.

T. J. SHERRARD,
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 restrict the use of pesticides in connection with crops being grown for the production of food in cases where harmful residues may be left on or in the food.

Issued under the authority of the Regulations Act 1936.

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These regulations are administered in the Department of Health.