



Department of Agriculture,

The Hon. Minister

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17th January, 1947.

The Bees and Appliances (Introduction) Regulations, 1946.

By the above regulations made under the Apiaries Act, 1927, the introduction into the Dominion of bees and appliances is prohibited save with the consent of the Minister of Agriculture, and subject to such-conditions as may be prescribed in such consent. The object of the regulations is to ensure that serious diseases of bees are not introduced into New Zealand.

It is proposed that all consents to import bees and spoli-ances should be granted upon the following conditions,-

- That each consignment of bees despatched from any spinry from which the bees are imported is accompanied by a certificate signed by a responsible Government officer whose futles relate apiculture in the country from which the hees are exported, certifying,-
 - (a) That the bees are free from disease.
 - (b) That they are from an spiary which is free from all bee diseases, including Sactilus larves and Sactilus Pluton (commonly knows as foul-broad), bee louse (Freula sees) Isle of Wight (Acarepis Wood); and
 - (c) That Isle of Wight disease (Apareuts Woods) does not exist within fifty atles of the splary in which the bees were kept immediately prior to export.
- That each consignment is addressed to the importer care Sugarintendent, Wallaceville Animal Research Station, Private Sag, Wellington, for examination so to freedom from Siscase.
- That all escort bees accompanying each queen bee in any consignment are destroyed on arrival in New Zealand and registed by New Zealand eacort bees.
- That if on examination the best in any consignment are found to be affected by disease they shall furthwith be destroyed and the importer notified secondingly. (4)
- (5) That all imported containers of bees in any consigment are destroyed and new containers provided, where hecessary, for the despatch of the been to the importer.

I recommend that you approve of,-

(a) Importations of approved strains of bees, subject to the conditions set out shove, and

Consents to importation being granted and signed by the Director of the Horticulture Division acting on your behalf and by your direction.

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