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Part 1—Preliminary

1 Objectives

The objectives of these Regulations are—

- (a) to prescribe the requirements in relation to the branding of meat for human consumption; and
- (b) to prescribe requirements for the labelling of packaged pet food containing meat; and
- (c) to make provision in relation to the licensing of meat transport vehicles; and
- (d) to provide for the temporary closure of meat processing facilities where there is a potential danger to public health; and
- (e) to prescribe other matters for the purposes of the **Meat Industry Act 1993**.

2 Authorising provision

These Regulations are made under section 78 of the **Meat Industry Act 1993**.

3 Commencement

These Regulations come into operation on 6 June 2015.

4 Revocation

The following Regulations are **revoked**—

- (a) the Meat Industry Regulations 2005¹;

(b) the Meat Industry Amendment Regulations 2014².

5 Definitions

In these Regulations—

AS 4696:2007 means AS 4696:2007 as made from time to time;

licence label means a label issued in respect of a licensed vehicle under regulation 21(1)(d) or 25(7);

licensed vehicle means a vehicle in respect of which a meat transport vehicle licence is in effect;

meat inspector means an individual approved to be an approved inspection service under section 7(1) of the Act;

meat transport vehicle licence means a licence for the purposes of Part 5A of the Act;

PrimeSafe inspector means a person authorised to be an inspector by the Authority under section 70(1) of the Act;

quality assurance program means a quality assurance program approved by the Authority under section 10 of the Act;

the Act means the **Meat Industry Act 1993**;

unlicensed vehicle means a vehicle that is not a licensed vehicle.

5A Prescribed game

For the purposes of paragraph (b) of the definition of **game** in section 3(1) of the Act, deer living in a wild state is prescribed to be game.

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Part 2—Consumable animals

6 Prescribed consumable animals

For the purposes of paragraph (d) of the definition of *consumable animal* in section 3(1) of the Act, the following animals are prescribed to be consumable animals—

- (a) emu;
- (b) camel;
- (c) alpaca;
- (d) llama;
- (e) buffalo;
- (f) bison;
- (g) rabbit that is not living in a wild state.

7 Ban on slaughter of horse and donkey for human consumption

For the purposes of section 35(7) of the Act, the following consumable animals are prescribed—

- (a) horse;
- (b) donkey.

8 Ban on sale of horse and donkey meat brought into Victoria

A person must not sell or dispose of for human consumption meat that is—

- (a) from a horse or a donkey; and
- (b) brought into Victoria.

Penalty: 10 penalty units.

Note

Section 34(1)(a) of the Act prohibits a person from selling or disposing of meat for human consumption if it is not from a consumable animal slaughtered and processed at a meat processing facility licensed for that purpose. Section 35(7) of the Act, in

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combination with regulation 7, prohibits a person from slaughtering a horse or donkey for human consumption (whether at a meat processing facility or otherwise).

Part 3—Branding and labelling

Division 1—Branding requirements for meat other than poultry

9 Meat for human consumption to be branded in accordance with this Division

- (1) For the purposes of section 34(1)(b) of the Act, meat other than poultry or game that is sold or disposed of for human consumption has been branded in accordance with these Regulations if it has been branded in accordance with this Division.
- (2) For the purposes of section 39(1)(a) of the Act, a carcass (other than a carcass of poultry) is branded in accordance with these Regulations as fit for human consumption if it has been branded in accordance with this Division as fit for human consumption.

Notes

Under section 34(1)(b) of the Act, it is an offence for a person to sell or dispose of meat other than poultry or game for human consumption if it has not been inspected and branded in accordance with the Act and the regulations.

Under section 39(1)(a) of the Act, it is an offence for a person to supply meat to or remove meat from a meat processing facility if the meat is a carcass or comes from a carcass that has not been branded in accordance with the regulations as fit for human consumption.

10 Form of brand

- (1) The brand must either—
 - (a) comply with subregulation (2); or
 - (b) be in a form approved by the Authority under subregulation (3).

- (2) A brand complies with this subregulation if—
- (a) it consists of a circle—
 - (i) that is not less than 3.2 centimetres in diameter; and
 - (ii) in which the letters "VIC" and the licence number of the facility at which the brand is used are centred; and
 - (b) the letters inside the circle are all block capitals; and
 - (c) the letters and numbers inside the circle are not less than 0.6 centimetres in height.

Example



- (3) On application by a licensee of a general meat processing facility, the Authority may approve a form of brand to be used at that facility for the purposes of subregulation (1)(b).

11 Where brand must be applied to whole carcass

A brand applied to a whole carcass must be applied—

- (a) in the case of deer or cattle (other than a calf), on each side of the carcass on the buttock, the loin, the outside of the ribs and the shoulder; or
- (b) in the case of a calf, on each side of the carcass on the shoulder and the hind leg; or
- (c) in the case of a sheep or lamb, on each side of the carcass on the shoulder and the hind leg; or

- (d) in the case of a pig, on each side of the carcass on the cheek, the hand, the loin and the hind leg; or
- (e) in the case of any other animal, on the places specified in the quality assurance program for the meat processing facility in which the carcass is branded.

12 Where brand must be applied to meat that is not a whole carcass

A brand applied to meat that is not a whole carcass must be applied on the places specified by a meat inspector.

Division 2—Responsibilities and powers relating to branding

13 Licensee must ensure all carcasses and meat are branded

The licensee of a general meat processing facility must ensure that each carcass and all meat, when inspected and passed as fit for human consumption at the facility, is branded in accordance with Division 1 by or under the direction of a meat inspector.

Penalty: 10 penalty units.

14 Reinspection of meat

- (1) A meat inspector or a PrimeSafe inspector may reinspect a carcass or any other meat at a meat processing facility.
- (2) If the branding of the meat or the carcass does not comply with Division 1, a meat inspector or a PrimeSafe inspector may—
 - (a) remove the brand or direct that it be removed; and

- (b) apply a new brand or direct that one be applied.
- (3) If the meat inspector or the PrimeSafe inspector considers the meat is unfit for human consumption, the inspector must ensure that it is branded as unfit for human consumption despite any previous branding.

Division 3—Labelling requirements for pet food

15 Labelling of pet food prepared for retail sale

- (1) This regulation applies to pet food containing meat.
- (2) The licensee of a pet food processing facility must ensure that pet food packaged for sale at the facility is labelled—
 - (a) in accordance with subregulations (3) and (4); or
 - (b) in a manner approved by the Authority under subregulation (5).

Penalty: 10 penalty units.

- (3) Pet food is labelled in accordance with this subregulation if the package containing the pet food bears a label that—
 - (a) is written legibly and in English; and
 - (b) includes a picture of the whole of the body, or the head, of a dog or a cat.
- (4) Pet food is labelled in accordance with this subregulation if the words "pet food only", or words to similar effect, are marked conspicuously, legibly and in capital letters—
 - (a) on one end of the can in which the food is packaged; or

- (b) if the food is not packaged in a can, on the packaging.
- (5) On application by a licensee of a pet food processing facility, the Authority may approve an alternative manner of labelling to be used at that facility for the purposes of subregulation (1)(b).

Part 4—Meat transport vehicles

16 When a meat transport vehicle is required to be licensed

- (1) For the purposes of section 42A of the Act, a vehicle used for the conveyance of any carcass or meat intended for human consumption is required to be licensed for that purpose unless this regulation provides that a licence is not required.

Note

Under section 42A, licences can only be required in relation to the conveyance of carcasses and meat intended for human consumption. Licences are not required in relation to the conveyance of pet food that contains meat.

- (2) A licence is not required for the conveyance of any carcass or meat from a retail butcher shop to a retail customer.
- (3) A licence is not required for the conveyance of any carcass or meat to a cold store or a wharf if—
- (a) the vehicle is a refrigerated taut liner vehicle; and
 - (b) the carcass or meat is packaged in cartons.
- (4) A licence is not required for the conveyance of any carcass or meat within a meat processing facility licensed under Part 4 of the Act.
- (5) A licence is not required for the conveyance of any carcass or meat for human consumption if the vehicle is currently licensed in another State or Territory for that purpose.
- (6) A licence is not required for the conveyance of any meat not intended for sale.

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20/2018 reg. 5.

17 Application for issue or renewal of meat transport vehicle licence

- (1) The owner of a vehicle may apply to the Authority for the issue or renewal of a meat transport vehicle licence in respect of the vehicle.
- (2) The application must—
 - (a) be in writing in a form specified by the Authority; and
 - (b) be accompanied by the relevant fee fixed under subregulation (3); and
 - (c) comply with regulation 18.

Note

Regulation 18 sets out the requirements regarding the supply of information and documents for an application.

- (3) The Authority may fix and collect—
 - (a) the fee that is to accompany an application for the issue of a meat transport vehicle licence; and
 - (b) the fee that is to accompany an application for the renewal of a meat transport vehicle licence.

18 Application requirements

- (1) A person who makes an application under regulation 17 must, subject to subregulation (2)—
 - (a) include in the application the information specified by the Authority; and
 - (b) attach to the application the documents specified by the Authority (if any); and
 - (c) arrange for the provision to the Authority of specified information or documents (if any) within a specified time after making the application.

- (2) The Authority may determine that particular information or documents specified for the purposes of subregulation (1) are not required for a particular application if the Authority is satisfied that it is appropriate to do so.
- (3) The Authority may specify that particular information or documents required under subregulation (1) are required only—
 - (a) in specified kinds of applications; or
 - (b) in specified circumstances.

19 Inspection of vehicle for purposes of application

- (1) The Authority may specify that, on making an application under regulation 17, the applicant is required to arrange for the vehicle that is the subject of the application to be inspected to determine whether the vehicle complies with section 25 of AS 4696:2007.
- (2) For the purposes of subregulation (1), the Authority may specify—
 - (a) places at which an inspection may or must be carried out; and
 - (b) times at which, or periods within which, an inspection may or must be carried out; and
 - (c) persons who may carry out an inspection or entities on behalf of which a person may carry out an inspection.
- (3) The Authority may determine that a particular vehicle is not required to be inspected in accordance with a specification made under subregulation (1) if the Authority is satisfied that it is appropriate to do so.

- (4) The Authority may specify that an inspection referred to in subregulation (1) is required only—
 - (a) for specified kinds of applications; or
 - (b) in specified circumstances.

20 Decision to issue or renew meat transport vehicle licence

- (1) The Authority may grant an application under regulation 17 for the issue or renewal of a meat transport vehicle licence if the Authority is satisfied that the vehicle in respect of which the application is made is fit to be licensed.
- (2) A vehicle is not fit to be licensed if the vehicle does not comply with section 25 of AS 4696:2007.
- (3) Subregulation (2) does not limit the circumstances in which the Authority may consider that it is not satisfied that a vehicle is fit to be licensed.
- (4) If the Authority decides not to grant an application under regulation 17, the Authority must notify the applicant of the reasons for the decision within 28 days.

21 Procedure for issuing or renewing meat transport vehicle licence

- (1) On granting, under regulation 20(1), an application made under regulation 17, the Authority must—
 - (a) issue the new or renewed meat transport vehicle licence to the applicant; and
 - (b) assign the vehicle a licence number; and
 - (c) determine the day on which the licence will expire in accordance with subregulation (2); and

- (d) issue the applicant a label for the vehicle containing—
 - (i) the licence number; and
 - (ii) the day on which the licence will expire; and
 - (iii) the registration number assigned to the vehicle under the **Road Safety Act 1986**; and
 - (e) ensure that details of the licence are entered in a register kept by the Authority.
- (2) The day specified as the day on which the licence will expire must not be more than 3 years after the day on which the licence is issued.

22 Condition of meat transport vehicle licence

It is a condition of every meat transport vehicle licence that the licensed vehicle must comply with section 25 of AS 4696:2007.

Note

Under section 42B of the Act, it is an offence for the holder of a meat transport vehicle licence to breach a condition or restriction of the licence or to permit or allow the meat transport vehicle to be used in breach of a condition or restriction of the licence. A penalty of 50 penalty units applies for a first offence and a penalty of 100 penalty units applies for a subsequent offence.

23 Keeping of record by licence holder

- (1) The Authority may require the holder of a meat transport vehicle licence to keep a record of the information specified by the Authority.
- (2) The information specified by the Authority may relate to—
 - (a) the cleanliness of the licensed vehicle; or
 - (b) the maintenance of, or repairs to, the licensed vehicle; or

- (c) temperature control in the licensed vehicle;
or
- (d) any other matters relating to the compliance of the licensed vehicle with section 25 of AS 4696:2007.

24 Inspection of licensed vehicle

- (1) The Authority may require that the holder of a meat transport vehicle licence arrange for the licensed vehicle to be inspected to determine whether the vehicle complies with section 25 of AS 4696:2007.
- (2) For the purposes of subregulation (1), the Authority may require that the vehicle be inspected—
 - (a) at a particular place; or
 - (b) at a particular time or within a particular period; or
 - (c) by a particular person or by a person on behalf of a particular entity.
- (3) This regulation applies in relation to a suspended meat transport vehicle licence as if that licence were not suspended.

25 Suspension of meat transport vehicle licence

- (1) Subject to subregulation (2), the chief executive officer of the Authority may suspend a meat transport vehicle licence if the chief executive officer is satisfied that—
 - (a) the licensed vehicle is not in good order or condition; or
 - (b) the condition attached to the licence by regulation 22 has been breached; or

- (c) the licence holder has failed to have the vehicle inspected in accordance with a requirement made by the Authority under regulation 24(1).

Note

Under regulation 22, compliance with section 25 of AS 4696:2007 is a condition of a meat transport vehicle licence. Noncompliance with section 25 of AS 4696:2007 is therefore grounds for suspension of the licence.

- (2) Before suspending a meat transport vehicle licence, the chief executive officer of the Authority must—
 - (a) give written notice to the licensee of—
 - (i) the chief executive officer's intention to suspend the licence; and
 - (ii) the reasons why the chief executive officer intends to suspend the licence; and
 - (b) advise the licensee of—
 - (i) any action that needs to be taken to avoid the suspension; and
 - (ii) the date by which any such action must be completed.
- (3) On suspending a meat transport vehicle licence, the chief executive officer of the Authority must give written notice of the suspension to the licensee.
- (4) The chief executive officer of the Authority may require the holder of a meat transport vehicle licence that is suspended to ensure that the licence label does not remain applied to the vehicle.

- (5) The holder of a meat transport vehicle licence that is suspended must comply with a requirement made under subregulation (4).

Penalty: 2 penalty units.

- (6) The chief executive officer of the Authority may revoke a suspension of a meat transport vehicle licence at any time.
- (7) If the chief executive officer of the Authority requires the removal of a licence label under subregulation (4), the Authority must issue the holder of the licence with a new label that complies with regulation 21(1)(d) on the suspension being revoked.

26 Revocation of meat transport vehicle licence

- (1) Subject to subregulation (2), the chief executive officer of the Authority may revoke a meat transport vehicle licence if the chief executive officer is satisfied that—
- (a) the licensed vehicle is not in good order or condition; or
 - (b) the condition attached to the licence by regulation 22 has been breached.

Note

Under regulation 22, compliance with section 25 of AS 4696:2007 is a condition of a meat transport vehicle licence. Noncompliance with section 25 of AS 4696:2007 is therefore grounds for revocation of the licence.

- (2) Before revoking a meat transport vehicle licence, the chief executive officer of the Authority must—
- (a) give written notice to the licensee of—
 - (i) the chief executive officer's intention to revoke the licence; and

- (ii) the reasons why the chief executive officer intends to revoke the licence; and
- (b) give the licensee a reasonable opportunity to make written submissions to the chief executive officer on whether the licence should be revoked; and
- (c) advise the licensee of—
 - (i) any action that needs to be taken to avoid the revocation; and
 - (ii) the date by which any such action must be completed.
- (3) On revoking a meat transport vehicle licence, the chief executive officer of the Authority must give written notice of the revocation to the licensee.
- (4) The holder of a meat transport vehicle licence that is revoked must surrender the licence to the Authority within 7 days after receiving notice of the revocation under subregulation (3).

Penalty: 2 penalty units.
- (5) The holder of a meat transport vehicle licence that is revoked must ensure that the licence label does not remain applied to the vehicle for any longer than 7 days after receiving notice of the revocation under subregulation (3).

Penalty: 2 penalty units.

27 Expiry of meat transport vehicle licence

A meat transport vehicle licence expires on the day specified in respect of that licence under regulation 21(1)(d)(ii) unless before that day—

- (a) the licence is revoked; or

- (b) the licensed vehicle is sold or disposed of.

Note

Regulation 29(2) provides that if a licensed vehicle is sold or disposed of, the meat transport vehicle licence expires.

28 Display of label

- (1) Subject to subregulation (2), the owner of a licensed vehicle must ensure that the licence label is affixed to the vehicle—
- (a) on the outside and at the rear of the vehicle;
and
 - (b) in such a manner that it is clearly visible.

Penalty: 2 penalty units.

- (2) Subregulation (1) does not apply in relation to the removal of a licence label immediately before selling or disposing of the licensed vehicle in accordance with regulation 29(3).

29 Change in ownership of meat transport vehicle

- (1) If a licensed vehicle is sold or disposed of, the owner of the vehicle must notify the Authority in writing of the sale or disposal within 14 days.

Penalty: 2 penalty units.

- (2) On the sale or disposal of a licensed vehicle, the meat transport vehicle licence expires.
- (3) If the owner of a licensed vehicle sells or disposes of the vehicle, the owner must remove the licence label from the vehicle immediately before selling or disposing of the vehicle.

Penalty: 2 penalty units.

30 Change of address of holder of meat transport vehicle licence

If the holder of a meat transport vehicle licence changes address, the person must notify the Authority in writing of the change within 14 days.

Penalty: 2 penalty units.

31 Change in registration of meat transport vehicle

If the registration number assigned to a licensed vehicle under the **Road Safety Act 1986** is changed, the owner of the vehicle must notify the Authority of the new registration number in writing within 14 days.

Penalty: 2 penalty units.

32 Unlicensed vehicle not to be labelled

- (1) Subject to subregulation (3), the owner of an unlicensed vehicle must ensure that a licence label does not remain applied to the vehicle.

Penalty: 2 penalty units.

- (2) Subject to subregulation (3), a person must not operate an unlicensed vehicle that displays a licence label.

Penalty: 2 penalty units.

- (3) Subregulations (1) and (2) do not apply to a vehicle that is an unlicensed vehicle because the meat transport vehicle licence that applies to the vehicle is suspended.

33 Publication of matters specified by the Authority

- (1) The Authority must take reasonable steps to ensure that the information referred to in subregulation (2) is published on the Authority's website.

- (2) For the purpose of subregulation (1), the information that the Authority must make available and publish is the following—
- (a) the form, specified by the Authority under regulation 17(2), of an application for the issue of a meat transport vehicle licence;
 - (b) the form, specified by the Authority under regulation 17(2), of an application for the renewal of a meat transport vehicle licence;
 - (c) the fee, fixed by the Authority under regulation 17(3), to accompany an application for the issue of a meat transport vehicle licence;
 - (d) the fee, fixed by the Authority under regulation 17(3), to accompany an application for the renewal of a meat transport vehicle licence;
 - (e) the following information specified by the Authority under regulation 18(1) and (3) in relation to an application for the issue or renewal of a meat transport vehicle licence—
 - (i) the information that must be included in the application;
 - (ii) the documents that must be attached to the application;
 - (iii) the information or documents that must be provided after the application is made;
 - (iv) the time within which the information or documents referred to in subparagraph (iii) are to be provided;
 - (v) the kinds of applications in relation to which certain information or documents are required;

- (vi) the circumstances in which certain information or documents are required for the application;
- (f) the requirement (if any), specified by the Authority under regulation 19(1), that an applicant must arrange for a vehicle to be inspected to determine compliance with section 25 of AS 4696:2007;
- (g) the following information (if any) specified by the Authority under regulation 19(2) and (4)—
 - (i) the places at which an inspection may or must be carried out;
 - (ii) the times at which, or periods within which, an inspection may or must be carried out;
 - (iii) the persons or entities who may carry out an inspection;
 - (iv) the kinds of applications in relation to which an inspection is required;
 - (v) the circumstances in which inspections are required for applications.

Part 5—Miscellaneous

34 Inspector may direct operator to address potential danger to public health

- (1) If a PrimeSafe inspector considers that there is a potential danger to public health owing to uncleanliness or to the presence of infection on or about a meat processing facility, the person may direct the operator of the meat processing facility to do all or any of the following—
 - (a) take action to correct the method of processing meat on the premises or any part of the premises;
 - (b) temporarily stop the processing or sale of meat on the premises or any part of the premises;
 - (c) clean, disinfect or decontaminate the premises or any part of the premises.

Note

Under section 73(2) of the Act, it is an offence for a person to fail to comply with this direction without a lawful excuse.

- (2) A direction under subregulation (1) may be made orally.

35 Making meat unusable for human consumption

For the purpose of section 39(1)(b) of the Act, the requirement for making meat unusable for human consumption is that the meat be made unusable for human consumption in the manner specified in the quality assurance program for the meat processing facility in which the meat is to be made unusable for human consumption.

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20/2018 reg. 6.

35A Condition of game processing facility licence

It is a condition of a game processing facility licence that the operator of the facility must only accept for processing the carcass or meat of deer that lived in a wild state if that deer has been taken by a person approved in writing by the Authority.

Part 6—Transitional provisions

36 Definitions

In this Part—

commencement day means the day on which these Regulations come into operation;

old Regulations means the Meat Industry Regulations 2005.

37 Old application pending on commencement day

- (1) This regulation applies to an application for the issue or renewal of a licence made under regulation 20(1) of the old Regulations that—
 - (a) is accompanied by the fee required under regulation 20(2) of those Regulations; and
 - (b) immediately before the commencement day, is awaiting determination by the Authority.
- (2) On and after the commencement day—
 - (a) an application to which this regulation applies is taken to be an application under regulation 17 that complies with regulation 17(2); and
 - (b) in determining the application, the Authority may have regard to any relevant inspection referred to in regulation 21 of the old Regulations.

38 Old licence in effect on commencement day

On and after the commencement day—

- (a) a licence issued or renewed under regulation 22(1) of the old Regulations that is in effect immediately before that day (an *old licence*) is taken to be a licence issued or renewed (as the case requires) under regulation 20(1) (a *new licence*); and

- (b) a label issued under regulation 22(1) of the old Regulations in respect of the old licence is taken to be a label issued under regulation 21(1)(d) in respect of the new licence.

39 Old licence suspended on commencement day

- (1) This regulation applies to a licence issued or renewed under regulation 22(1) of the old Regulations that is subject to a suspension under regulation 26(1) of those Regulations immediately before the commencement day (an *old suspended licence*).
 - (2) On and after the commencement day—
 - (a) an old suspended licence is taken to be a licence issued or renewed (as the case requires) under regulation 20(1) (a *new licence*); and
 - (b) a label issued under regulation 22(1) of the old Regulations in respect of the old suspended licence is taken to be a label issued under regulation 21(1)(d) in respect of the new licence; and
 - (c) the new licence is taken to be suspended under regulation 25.
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Endnotes

1 General information

See www.legislation.vic.gov.au for Victorian Bills, Acts and current authorised versions of legislation and up-to-date legislative information.

The Meat Industry Regulations 2015, S.R. No. 42/2015 were made on 2 June 2015 by the Governor in Council under section 78 of the **Meat Industry Act 1993**, No. 40/1993 and came into operation on 6 June 2015: regulation 3.

The Meat Industry Regulations 2015 will sunset 10 years after the day of making on 2 June 2025 (see section 5 of the **Subordinate Legislation Act 1994**).

INTERPRETATION OF LEGISLATION ACT 1984 (ILA)

Style changes

Section 54A of the ILA authorises the making of the style changes set out in Schedule 1 to that Act.

References to ILA s. 39B

Sidenotes which cite ILA s. 39B refer to section 39B of the ILA which provides that where an undivided regulation, rule or clause of a Schedule is amended by the insertion of one or more subregulations, subrules or subclauses the original regulation, rule or clause becomes subregulation, subrule or subclause (1) and is amended by the insertion of the expression "(1)" at the beginning of the original regulation, rule or clause.

Interpretation

As from 1 January 2001, amendments to section 36 of the ILA have the following effects:

- **Headings**

All headings included in a Statutory Rule which is made on or after 1 January 2001 form part of that Statutory Rule. Any heading inserted in a Statutory Rule which was made before 1 January 2001, by a Statutory Rule made on or after 1 January 2001, forms part of that Statutory Rule. This includes headings to Parts, Divisions or Subdivisions in a Schedule; Orders; Parts into which an Order is divided; clauses; regulations; rules; items; tables; columns; examples; diagrams; notes or forms. See section 36(1A)(2A)(2B).

- **Examples, diagrams or notes**

All examples, diagrams or notes included in a Statutory Rule which is made on or after 1 January 2001 form part of that Statutory Rule. Any examples, diagrams or notes inserted in a Statutory Rule which was made before

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1 January 2001, by a Statutory Rule made on or after 1 January 2001, form part of that Statutory Rule. See section 36(3A).

- **Punctuation**

All punctuation included in a Statutory Rule which is made on or after 1 January 2001 forms part of that Statutory Rule. Any punctuation inserted in a Statutory Rule which was made before 1 January 2001, by a Statutory Rule made on or after 1 January 2001, forms part of that Statutory Rule. See section 36(3B).

- **Provision numbers**

All provision numbers included in a Statutory Rule form part of that Statutory Rule, whether inserted in the Statutory Rule before, on or after 1 January 2001. Provision numbers include regulation numbers, rule numbers, subregulation numbers, subrule numbers, paragraphs and subparagraphs. See section 36(3C).

- **Location of "legislative items"**

A "legislative item" is a penalty, an example or a note. As from 13 October 2004, a legislative item relating to a provision of a Statutory Rule is taken to be at the foot of that provision even if it is preceded or followed by another legislative item that relates to that provision. For example, if a penalty at the foot of a provision is followed by a note, both of these legislative items will be regarded as being at the foot of that provision. See section 36B.

- **Other material**

Any explanatory memorandum, table of provisions, endnotes, index and other material printed after the Endnotes does not form part of a Statutory Rule. See section 36(3)(3D)(3E).

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2 Table of Amendments

This publication incorporates amendments made to the Meat Industry Regulations 2015 by statutory rules, subordinate instruments and Acts.

Meat Industry Amendment Regulations 2018, S.R. No. 20/2018

Date of Making: 27.2.18

Date of Commencement: 1.3.18: reg. 3

3 Amendments Not in Operation

There are no amendments which were Not in Operation at the date of this publication.

4 Explanatory details

¹ Reg. 4(a): S.R. No. 49/2005 as amended by S.R. No. 2/2014.

² Reg. 4(b): S.R. No. 2/2014.

Penalty Units

These Regulations provide for penalties by reference to penalty units within the meaning of section 110 of the **Sentencing Act 1991**. The amount of the penalty is to be calculated, in accordance with section 7 of the **Monetary Units Act 2004**, by multiplying the number of penalty units applicable by the value of a penalty unit.

The value of a penalty unit for the financial year commencing 1 July 2017 is \$158.57.

The amount of the calculated penalty may be rounded to the nearest dollar.

The value of a penalty unit for future financial years is to be fixed by the Treasurer under section 5 of the **Monetary Units Act 2004**. The value of a penalty unit for a financial year must be published in the Government Gazette and a Victorian newspaper before 1 June in the preceding financial year.

Table of Applied, Adopted or Incorporated Matter

The following table of applied, adopted or incorporated matter was included in S.R. No. 42/2015 in accordance with the requirements of regulation 5 of the Subordinate Legislation Regulations 2014.

Statutory rule provision	Title of applied, adopted or incorporated document	Matter in applied, adopted or incorporated document
Regulation 5, definition of AS 4696:2007	AS 4696:2007 known as the Australian Standard for the Hygienic Production and Transportation of Meat and Meat Products for Human Consumption, as made from time to time	The whole

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Statutory rule provision	Title of applied, adopted or incorporated document	Matter in applied, adopted or incorporated document
Regulations 19(1), 20(2), 22, 23(2)(d), 24(1) and 33(2)(f)	AS 4696:2007 known as the Australian Standard for the Hygienic Production and Transportation of Meat and Meat Products for Human Consumption, as made from time to time	Section 25