

Bulawayo (Game Meat) By-laws, 1969

IT is hereby notified that the Minister of Local Government and Housing has, in terms of sections 279, 280 and 281 of the Municipal Act [*Chapter 125*], approved the following by-laws made by the City Council of Bulawayo:-

1. These by-laws may be cited as the Bulawayo (Game Meat) By-laws, 1969.

2. These by-laws shall apply to -
 - (a) the municipal area of Bulawayo; and
 - (b) the commonage of Bulawayo; and
 - (c) the occupied areas outside the limits of the municipal area of Bulawayo and falling within the limits of the commonage of Bulawayo though excluded therefrom.

3. In these by-laws –

“authorised person” means the Medical Officer of Health, and health inspector and any meat inspector employed by the Council;

“Bulawayo area” means the area referred to in section 2;

“Council” means the City Council of Bulawayo;

“game animal” means any elephant, hippopotamus, zebra and all cloven-hoofed animals but does not include domestic bovine, ovine, caprine, porcine or equine animals;

“game meat” means meat or offal derived from a game animal, other than -

- (a) meat which has been thoroughly cooked; or
- (b) meat which has undergone a sterilisation process and is contained in hermitically sealed containers; or

(c) biltong; or

(d) tallow, meat-meal, bone meal or any other by-product from a game animal which has been produced by a process of heat rendering;

“game rancher” means a person who, or organisation which, holds a game cropping and sale permit issued by the Department of National Parks and Wildlife Management;

“Health inspector” means any person appointed by the Council as a health education officer, health inspector, hygiene officer or sanitary inspector;

“Medical Officer of Health’ means the Medical Officer of Health appointed by the Council, includes the Deputy Medical Officer of Health and any medical practitioner appointed to act in either capacity.

4. (1) No game meat shall be sold to any member of the public in the Bulawayo area or brought into the Bulawayo area for sale unless it has been supplied by a game rancher registered with the Council.

(2) No game rancher shall be registered with the Council unless-

(a) the facilities and the premises which he uses for the handling and the dressing of game meat have been approved by the Medical of Health; and

(b) he produces a current game cropping and sale permit issued to him by the Department of National Parks and Wild Life Management.

(3) No vehicle shall be used for the purpose of conveying or transporting game meat unless-

(a) it is constructed in a manner which protects such game meat from contamination; and

(b) it is kept and maintained in clean, wholesome and sanitary condition.

5. (1) No game meat which has been brought into the Bulawayo area from any place outside the Bulawayo area shall be sold to any member of the public in the area of Bulawayo unless it has been inspected and marked in terms of this section by an authorised person.

(2) Any persons who brings any game meat into the Bulawayo area for the purpose of sale to the public shall-

(a) notify an authorised person; and

(c) produce such game meat to an authorised person for inspection at the place and time specified by such authorised person.

(3) If an inspection by an authorised person of game meat produced to him in terms of this section reveals that such game-

(a) is sound and wholesome and appears to be free from disease, the authorised person shall mark such meat with an indelible stamp indicating that such meat has been inspected;

(b) is not sound and wholesome or is diseased, he may seize and destroy such meat, in which case he shall issue a certificate in a form prescribed by the council.

6. A person who contravenes any provision of these by-laws shall be guilty of an offence.