

CATTLE DISPOSAL SQUAD READ FOR ACTION

Now that the period of one month's grace is coming to an end on Sunday, 31st January, 1965, which period was to give cattle-owners time to adjust themselves to the new stringent conditions for effective public health control of the cattle nuisance under the 1964 Cattle Ordinance, the Ministry of Health hereby informs cattle-owners, as well as members of the public who have been the unfortunate long-suffering complainants of this nuisance, that a Special Cattle Disposal Squad has been organised and will spring into action as from Monday, 8th February, 1965.

As from 8th February, any cattle (i.e. cows, goats, etc.) which is found straying on public or private roads or property in any part of the Restricted Area of Singapore, will be seized and disposed of at the Government Abattoirs, without compensation whatsoever.

In addition, the owner or person in charge of such straying cattle, is liable to be prosecuted under Section 3(5) of the Cattle Ordinance, and on conviction of which, he will be liable to:-

- or (a) a fine not exceeding \$1,000/-
or (b) imprisonment for a term not exceeding 12 months,
or (c) to both such fine and imprisonment.

The Restricted Area is that bounded:-

On the South by the sea;
On the East along Bedok Road, Upper Changi Road, Changi Road, Geylang Road, Paya Lebar Road, Upper Paya Lebar Road, Upper Serangoon Road and Yio Chu Kang Road;
On the North along Yio Chu Kang Road, Sembawang Hills Estate Circus, north and west of Pierce Reservoir to Bukit Timah Village;
On the West along Bukit Timah Road, Clementi Road to the sea.

How Cattle Disposal Squad will operate

Operational HQ : Ministry of Health,
Anti-Mosquito Department Store,
Kampong Java Road, 9.
(next to Animal Infirmary off Bukit Timah Road).

Telephone No.: 511202

Officer i/c: Mr. Ng Kwok Hee,
Senior Public Health Inspector.

Hours of Stand-by : For a start, it is proposed that the C.D. Squad will be on "stand-by" from 0900 hours to 1630 hours from Mondays to Fridays.

Whether the hours and days are to be extended will be reviewed and decided upon at a subsequent date, depending on experience.

How public may lodge complaints

- (a) Written complaints are preferred, and they should indicate name, address of complainant and location of nuisance.
- (b) Telephone complaints are acceptable, but the "bona fides" of complainant must be established, by giving name, address and telephone number of complainant.

Delay in implementation because of long Public Holiday Break

Owing to the long holiday break arising out of Chinese New Year and Hari Raya Puasa public holidays, the public is hereby informed that although the Cattle Disposal Squad was scheduled to go into action on Monday, 1st February, it will only begin operations as from Monday, 8th February.

JANUARY 30, 1965.

Time issued: 1300 hours
