

MEMORANDUM ON THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE PREVENTION
OF DISEASE ORDINANCE

During the last few years the local poultry industry has made great strides and it is likely to continue to make further progress in the near future. An increase in the number of local poultry would mean an increase in the number of eggs and poultry birds for meat with a consequent reduction in the importation of eggs and of poultry birds.

To keep the poultry industry in a healthy state, poultry must be protected against certain diseases and this is only achieved by having poultry vaccinated, compulsorily if necessary.

The extension of the applicability of the Prevention of Disease Ordinance to poultry will enable the Government to enforce certain precautionary measures against the spread of Diseases in Fowl should the necessity arise.

28th February, 1963.

Ordinance No. of 1963

A BILL
entitled

Cap. 59. AN ACT further to amend the Prevention of Disease Ordinance.

Commencement ENACTED by the legislature of Malta:-

Short title 1. This Act may be cited as the Prevention of Disease (amendment) Act, 1963, and shall be read and construed as one with the Prevention of Disease Ordinance, hereinafter referred to as "the principal law".

Amends
section 2
of the
principal
law.

2. Section 2 of the principal law shall be amended as follows:-

- (a) immediately after the word "include" in the definition of the word "animals" there shall be inserted the word "poultry", and
- (b) immediately after the definition of the word "animals" there shall be inserted the following new definitions:-

"poultry" means fowls, turkeys, geese, ducks, guinea fowls, and domestic and racing pigeons".

Objects and Reasons

The object of this Bill is to extend the applicability of the Prevention of Disease Ordinance to poultry.