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Sick and Inefficient Animals.

Casting of Horses and Mules.



Animals considered unfit for further service and fit for sale to the public should be classified under either:-

- A. Casting for Veterinary reasons.
- B. Casting for causes other than Veterinary.

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When in the opinion of an Veterinary Officer an animal is unfit for further service for strictly veterinary reasons and could not be rendered serviceable by treatment in a Veterinary Hospital the fact should be reported to the A.D.V.S. of the Division who will personally inspect the horse, at its Unit, and if he agrees the animal should be sent to the M.V.S. for evacuation to the L. of C. a manuscript descriptive roll giving marks of identification, age, and reason for casting should be signed by the A.D.V.S. and sent with the N.C.O. i/ctrain party. Such animals should constitute an item on the usual notification sent to the Receiving Veterinary Hospital. These animals should be entered on A.F. 2000 as "Transferred to Vety Hospital" and not "Cast and Sold".

B. Casting for other reasons than Veterinary.  
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To supplement G.R.O. No 537 and Army Routine Order No 375 & 537 Ineffective horses or mules which are not veterinary cases should be reported by the O.C. Unit to the Divisional Commander, the application being accompanied by a manuscript, descriptive roll, also stating for what reason it is found unserviceable. The Deputy Director of Remounts (vide footnote) inspects the animal and makes his remarks on the descriptive roll, for the information of the Corps Commander who is the Casting Authority. Mobile Veterinary Sections will accept the animals when accompanied by a descriptive roll (signed by the D.D. Remounts and addressed

to the O.C. Advanced Remount Depot through O.C. Receiving Veterinary Hospital) and a completed blue Label to the animals tail. The O.C. M.V.S. will arrange for their evacuation with the sick to the receiving Veterinary Hospital. They will constitute an item on the despatch note sent with the N.C.O. i/c train party. When ever horses and mules become surplus in a Unit they should on no account be sent to M.V.S. unless they are sick.

Footnote:- The A.D.V.S. will find it an advantage to be present at this inspection as O.C. Units often shew cases of a Veterinary nature and sometimes it is doubtful whether it is a Remount or a Veterinary case for casting.