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PRICES REGULATION ORDER No. 166.

IMPORTED IRON AND STEEL.

IN pursuance of the powers conferred upon me by the Prices Regulation Acts, I, John Francis Waldron, Prices Decontrol Commissioner, hereby make the following Order:—

Application.

1. This Order shall not apply to galvanized iron, plain or corrugated.

Citation.

2. This Order may be cited as Prices Regulation Order No. 166.

Revocation.

3. Prices Regulation Order No. 87 is hereby revoked.

Definitions.

4. In this Order, unless the contrary intention appears—

“Imported” means other than of Australian origin.

“Landed cost” means, in relation to the sale by any person of any goods imported from a source outside the Commonwealth of Australia and purchased from other than a retail trader in the country of export, the aggregate of—

- (i) the purchase price paid or payable after deduction of trade discount, but before deduction of any cash discount;
- (ii) inland carriage charges;
- (iii) outside packing charges;
- (iv) overseas office or forwarding agent's commission actually incurred (but not in excess of 3½ per centum of the gross invoice price of the goods after deduction of trade discount, but before deduction of cash discount);
- (v) bill of lading and shipping charges;
- (vi) insurance and freight paid (but not in excess of current standard sea freight rates);

- (vii) exchange and bank fees actually incurred (but not in the case of exchange in excess of mail steamer sight draft rates and in the case of bank fees three-eighths of 1 per cent.);
- (viii) duty and primage paid;
- (ix) wharfage and stacking charges paid;
- (x) harbor dues and Stevedoring Commission levy paid;
- (xi) Customs entry and Customs agent's charges paid (but not including any charges for costing or any percentage surcharge on cost); and
- (xii) cartage actually incurred in transporting goods from wharf to store or from wharf to bond only (but not in excess of current standard Master Carriers' rates).

Maximum Prices.

5. I fix and declare the maximum price at which imported iron and steel may be sold by the importer to be—

- (a) in respect of sales for delivery ex wharf, the sum of landed cost per ton, plus 12½ per centum thereof, or £4 10s. per ton, whichever is the greater;
- (b) in respect of sales for delivery ex importer's store, the sum of landed cost per ton, plus 15 per centum thereof, or £5 12s. 6d. per ton, whichever is the greater.

Application for Maximum Prices.

6. Any person who purchases for resale any imported iron or steel for which a maximum price is not fixed by or under the provisions of this Order shall not sell that imported iron or steel unless and until that person has made a written request to the Commissioner to fix the maximum price at which that imported iron or steel may be sold, and the Commissioner has fixed the maximum price accordingly.

Fixation of Maximum Prices by Notice.

7. (1) Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions of this Order, I declare the maximum price at which imported iron and steel specified in a notice given in pursuance of this paragraph may be sold by any person to whom such notice is given to be such price as is fixed by the Commissioner by notice in writing to that person.

(2) All notices in writing given in pursuance of any Prices Regulation Order issued prior to this Order which operate to fix a maximum price for the sale by any person of any imported iron and steel lower than the maximum price fixed by the provisions of this Order, and which are in force at the commencement of this Order, shall be deemed to have been given under this Order.

Dated this 14th day of July, 1950.

J. F. WALDRON,
Prices Decontrol Commissioner.

Prices Regulation Acts.

PRICES REGULATION ORDER No. 167.

CRUSHED OR GRISTED WHEAT.

IN pursuance of the powers conferred upon me by the Prices Regulation Acts, I, John Francis Waldron, Prices Decontrol Commissioner, hereby make the following Order:—

Citation.

- 1. This Order may be cited as Prices Regulation Order No. 167.

Amendment.

- 2. Prices Regulation Order No. 13 is amended by omitting from paragraph (b) of clause 4 the price of £13 14s. per short ton and inserting in its stead the price of £14 2s. per short ton.

Dated this 13th day of July, 1950.

J. F. WALDRON,
Prices Decontrol Commissioner.

Prices Regulation Acts.

PRICES REGULATION ORDER No. 168.

SECOND-HAND GALVANIZED CORRUGATED IRON—EXHIBITION OF NOTICES.

IN pursuance of the powers conferred upon me by the Prices Regulation Acts, I, John Francis Waldron, Prices Decontrol Commissioner, hereby make the following Order:—

Citation.

1. This Order may be cited as Prices Regulation Order No. 168.

Exhibition of Maximum Prices.

2. Every person who sells or offers to sell second-hand galvanized corrugated iron, and every person who acts as agent for any such person, shall exhibit in a prominent position in his place of business, or if he has more than one place of business in each of his places of business, a notice setting forth the maximum prices fixed for the sale of such second-hand galvanized corrugated iron.

Dated this 17th day of July, 1950.

J. F. WALDRON,
Prices Decontrol Commissioner.

Prices Regulation Acts.

PRICES REGULATION ORDER No. 169.

CLOTHING, GARMENTS, APPAREL AND DRAPERY—SALES BY RETAIL.

IN pursuance of the powers conferred upon me by the Prices Regulation Acts, I, John Francis Waldron, Prices Decontrol Commissioner, hereby make the following Order:—

Citation.

1. This Order may be cited as Prices Regulation Order No. 169.

Revocation.

2. Prices Regulation Order No. 75 is hereby revoked.

Definitions and Interpretations.

3. In this Order and the Schedules thereto, unless the contrary intention appears—

“Allowance for freight, packing, and insurance” means, in relation to the sale of any specified goods, the appropriate percentage of the cost of those goods as is specified in the Second Schedule to this Order according to the relation between the point of delivery to the retail trader of those goods and the situation of the retail trader's place of business, or in the case of blankets, travelling rugs, bunny rugs, and bush rugs, an amount equal to twice this percentage so specified.

“Cost” means, in relation to the sale of any specified goods by a retail trader—

(a) in respect of specified goods purchased by the retail trader from a wholesaler or manufacturer in the Commonwealth of Australia, the sum of—

(i) the purchase price paid or payable by the retail trader for those goods after the deduction of any trade discount, but before the deduction of any cash discount, and

(ii) sales tax thereon (if any);

(b) in respect of specified goods purchased by a retail trader from a source outside the Commonwealth of Australia and purchased from other than a retail trader in the country of export, the aggregate of—

- (i) the purchase price paid or payable after deduction of trade discount, but before deduction of any cash discount,
- (ii) inland carriage charges,
- (iii) outside packing charges,
- (iv) overseas office or forwarding agent's commission actually incurred (but not in excess of 3½ per centum of the gross invoice price of the goods after deduction of trade discount, but before deduction of cash discount),
- (v) bill of lading and shipping charges,
- (vi) insurance and freight paid (but not in excess of current standard sea freight rates),
- (vii) exchange and bank fees actually incurred (but not in excess of mail steamer sight draft rates, and in the case of bank fees three-eighths of 1 per cent.),
- (viii) duty and primage paid,
- (ix) wharfage and stacking charges paid,
- (x) harbor dues and Stevedoring Commission levy paid,
- (xi) Customs entry and Customs agent's charges paid (but not including any charges for costing or any percentage surcharge thereon),
- (xii) cartage actually incurred in transporting goods from wharf to store or from wharf to bond only (but not in excess of current standard Master Carriers' rates).

"Manufacturer" means any person who, by his own labour or that of his employees, or by handing out the work to any other person, manufactures, or causes to be manufactured, any specified goods.

"Point of delivery" means, in relation to the sale of any specified goods by a retail trader, the place at which liability for payment of transport charges in conveying those specified goods to his store passed to that retail trader from the person from whom the retail trader purchased such goods.

"Retail trader" means a person who purchases any specified goods in a manufactured state and resells or offers for sale such goods by retail.

"Specified goods" means any of the goods specified in the First Schedule to this Order.

"Wholesaler" means a person who purchases or imports any specified goods in a manufactured state and resells such goods by wholesale.

"G.P.O." means General Post Office.

"P.O." means Post Office.

Maximum Retail Prices.

4. (1) Notwithstanding the provisions of any Order issued prior to this Order, I fix and declare the maximum price at which any specified goods may be sold by a retail trader to be—

(a) in respect of specified goods purchased by the retail trader from a wholesaler in the Commonwealth of Australia, the sum of—

- (i) the cost thereof,
- (ii) the percentage margin of such cost as specified in the second column of the First Schedule to this Order, and
- (iii) allowance for freight, packing, and insurance (if any);

(b) in respect of specified goods purchased by the retail trader from the manufacturer of those goods in the Commonwealth of Australia, the sum of—

- (i) the cost thereof,
- (ii) the percentage margin of such cost as specified in the third column of the First Schedule to this Order, and
- (iii) allowance for freight, packing, and insurance (if any):

Provided that no allowance for freight, packing, and insurance may be included in any maximum price calculated in accordance with the provisions of this paragraph in any case where the point of delivery is within a radius of 50 miles from the retail trader's place of business;

(c) in respect of specified goods purchased by the retail trader from a source outside the Commonwealth of Australia, the sum of—

- (i) the cost thereof,
- (ii) the percentage margin of such cost as specified in the third column of the First Schedule to this Order.

(2) Where any maximum price calculated in accordance with the foregoing provisions of this Order—

- (a) does not exceed 5s. and is not an exact number of half-pence—such price shall be computed to the nearest upward halfpenny;
- (b) exceeds 5s. and does not exceed 10s., and is not an exact number of pence—such price shall be computed to the nearest upward penny;
- (c) exceeds 10s. and does not exceed £1, and is not an even multiple of 3d.—such price shall be computed to the nearest upward 3d.;
- (d) exceeds £1 and is not an even multiple of 6d.—such price shall be computed to the nearest upward 6d.

Discounts.

5. Notwithstanding anything contained in the foregoing provisions of this Order, where a retail trader who sells specified goods has customarily allowed any difference in price—

- (a) to any person or to persons included in any class of persons;
- (b) in respect of sales of certain quantities of specified goods; or
- (c) in respect of sales of specified goods under certain conditions of sale, or upon certain terms of payment—

the maximum price fixed by or under this Order in respect of those goods shall, in the case of sales to any such person or persons or of such quantities or under such conditions or upon such terms of payment, be reduced by the allowance of that difference.

Records to be Kept of Purchases.

6. Every retail trader who sells or offers for sale specified goods shall keep, in respect of such goods and in addition to proper books and accounts required to be kept by him by the Prices Regulation Acts, a book containing the following particulars:—

- (a) A full description of those goods;
- (b) the date of the delivery of those goods into his store;
- (c) the name and address of the person from whom he purchased those goods;
- (d) (i) in respect of specified goods purchased from a wholesaler or a manufacturer in the Commonwealth of Australia, the point of delivery and the cost of those goods, or
- (ii) in respect of specified goods imported from a source outside the Commonwealth of Australia by the retail trader—the cost of those goods; and
- (e) sales tax thereon (if any):

Provided that it shall be deemed to be sufficient compliance with the foregoing provisions of this paragraph if, at the time of such sale or offer for sale, the retail trader has in his possession or control an

invoice or docket delivered to him in relation to such goods, together with such documents and papers relating to charges included in cost and containing the particulars specified in sub-paragraphs (a), (c), (d), and (e) of this paragraph.

Fixation of Maximum Prices by Notice.

7. (1) Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions of this Order, I declare the maximum price at which any of the goods covered by this Order and which are specified in a notice in pursuance of this paragraph may be sold by any person to whom such notice is given to be such price as is fixed by the Prices Decontrol Commissioner by notice in writing to that person.

(2) All notices in writing given in pursuance of any Order issued prior to this Order which operate to fix a lower maximum price for the sale by any person by retail of any of the goods covered by this Order than the maximum price fixed by the provisions of this Order and which are in force at the commencement of this Order shall be deemed to have been given under this Order.

THE FIRST SCHEDULE.

Description of Goods. Column 1.	Maximum Retail Margins.	
	Where purchased from a Wholesaler within the Commonwealth of Australia.	Where purchased from a Source outside the Commonwealth of Australia or from a Manufacturer.
	Column 2. Per centum	Column 3. Per centum
1. Men's, youths' and boys' clothing, garments and apparel of all descriptions whatsoever other than— (a) Socks and stockings (b) Shirts, pyjamas and woven underwear	27½	32½
2. Men's, youths' and boys' shirts, pyjamas and woven underwear	27½	30
3. Women's, maids', girls', infants' and babies' clothing, garments and apparel of all descriptions whatsoever other than— (a) Infants' and babies' knitted wear manufactured from white wool (b) Socks, stockings, sockettes and footlets	32½	37½
4. Socks, stockings, sockettes and footlets	32½	37½
5. Infants' and babies' knitted wear manufactured from white wool	35	40
6. Terry towels and all other face and bath towels other than huckaback towels	27½	30
7. All makes and descriptions of the following articles:—Nursery squares, huckaback towels, glass cloths, tea towels, sheets, pillow-slips, and honeycomb cloths	30	30
8. All makes and descriptions of the following articles:—Table cloths, bungalow cloths, quilts, counterpanes	32½	32½
9. Blankets, bunny rugs, travelling rugs and bush rugs	27½	32½
10. Hand-knitting yarns	25	25
11. Woven or knitted piecegoods of the following descriptions:— (a) Nylon or plastic (b) Hand-woven fabrics (c) Canvas or duck (d) Furnishing fabrics	35	42½
12. Woven or knitted piecegoods manufactured from woollen, worsted or cotton yarn, or any mixtures thereof, which are not specified in Item 11 ..	30 30	32½ 32½
13. Woven or knitted piecegoods not elsewhere specified, but including waterproof or rubberized fabrics	33½	35
14. Linen flax, hemp and ramie sewing threads and twists	33½	37½

THE SECOND SCHEDULE.

PERCENTAGE OF COST OF GOODS ALLOWED FOR FREIGHT, PACKING, AND INSURANCE.

Situation of Retail Trader's Place of Business.	Where the Nearest P.O. to the Point of Delivery is—						
	G.P.O., Mel- bourne.	G.P.O., Sydney.	G.P.O., Ade- laide.	G.P.O., Bris- bane.	G.P.O., Perth.	P.O., Laun- ceston.	P.O., Town- sville.
Where the retail trader's place of business is situated—							
(a) Within a radius of 50 miles from the G.P.O., Melbourne ..	nil	1	1	1½	2	1½	2½
(b) Beyond a radius of 50 miles and within a radius of 175 miles from the G.P.O., Melbourne ..	½	1½	1½	2	2½	2	3
(c) Beyond a radius of 175 miles from the G.P.O., Melbourne ..	1	2	2	2½	3	2½	3½

Dated this 17th day of July, 1950.

J. F. WALDRON,
Prices Decontrol Commissioner.

