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*Prices Regulation Acts.*

PRICES REGULATION ORDER No. 650.

HEARING AIDS.

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

*Citation.*

1. This Order may be cited as Prices Regulation Order No. 650.

*Definitions.*

2. In this Order unless the contrary intention appears—
  - “Cost into store” means, in relation to Hearing Aids, the price paid or payable by a wholesale trader or a retail trader (as the case may be) for such Hearing Aids, plus packing charges, and the cost of transport (if any) of such Hearing Aids properly attributable to such Hearing Aids and recorded by such wholesale trader or retail trader in his books.
  - “Landed cost” means, in relation to the sale of any Hearing Aids, 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 package 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 deductions 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) harbour 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 rates approved by the Victorian Road Transport Association).

" Wholesale trader " means in relation to the sale of any Hearing Aids, a person who purchases such goods from sources either within the Commonwealth of Australia or outside the Commonwealth of Australia and sells them to persons who purchase for resale.

" Retail trader " means in relation to the sale of any Hearing Aids, a person who purchases those goods from a source within the Commonwealth of Australia or imports those goods from sources outside the Commonwealth of Australia, and sells them to persons who purchase for use.

*Maximum Prices—Sales by Wholesale.*

3. I fix and declare the maximum price at which Hearing Aids may be sold by a wholesale trader to be—

- (a) where the Hearing Aids have been purchased within the Commonwealth of Australia, the sum of—
  - (i) cost into store of the Hearing Aids; and
  - (ii) 20 per cent. of item (i);
- (b) where the Hearing Aids have been imported from a source outside the Commonwealth of Australia, the sum of—
  - (i) landed cost of Hearing Aids; and
  - (ii) 20 per cent. of item (i).

*Maximum Prices—Sales by Retail.*

4. I fix and declare the maximum price at which Hearing Aids may be sold by a retail trader to be the sum of—

- (i) the purchase price paid or payable to the wholesaler for such Hearing Aids; and
- (ii) 50 per cent. of item (i).

*Maximum Prices—Sales by Importer—Retailer.*

5. I fix and declare the maximum price at which Hearing Aids imported from a source outside the Commonwealth of Australia by any Retailer may be sold by such Retailer to be the sum of—

- (i) landed cost of the Hearing Aids;
- (ii) 80 per cent. of item (i).

*Fixation of Maximum Prices by Notice.*

6. Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions of this Order, I declare the maximum price at which Hearing Aids specified in a notice given in pursuance of this clause 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.

Dated this 2nd day of September, 1954.

J. F. WALDRON,  
Prices Commissioner.

*Prices Regulation Acts.*

## PRICES REGULATION ORDER No. 651.

## HEARING AID SPARE PARTS.

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

*Citation.*

1. This Order may be cited as Prices Regulation Order No. 651.

*Definitions.*

2. In this Order unless the contrary intention appears—

“Cost into store” means, in relation to Hearing Aid Spare Parts, the price paid or payable by a wholesale trader or a retail trader (as the case may be) for such Hearing Aid Spare Parts, plus packing charges, and the cost of transport (if any) of such Hearing Aid Spare Parts properly attributable to such Hearing Aid Spare Parts and recorded by such wholesale trader or retail trader in his books.

“Landed cost” means in relation to the sale of any Hearing Aid Spare Parts, 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 package charges;
- (iv) overseas office or forwarding agent's commission actually incurred (but not in excess of  $3\frac{1}{2}$  per centum of the gross invoice price of the goods after deductions 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) harbour 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 rates approved by the Victorian Road Transport Association).

“Wholesale trader” means in relation to the sale of any Hearing Aid Spare Parts, a person who purchases such goods from sources either within the Commonwealth of Australia or outside the Commonwealth of Australia and sells them to persons who purchase for resale.

“Retail trader” means in relation to the sale of any Hearing Aid Spare Parts, a person who purchases those goods from a source within the Commonwealth of Australia or imports those goods from sources outside the Commonwealth of Australia, and sells them to persons who purchase for use.

*Maximum Prices—Sales by Wholesale.*

3. I fix and declare the maximum price at which Hearing Aid Spare Parts may be sold by a wholesale trader to be—

- (a) where the Hearing Aid Spare Parts have been purchased within the Commonwealth of Australia, the sum of—
  - (i) cost into store of the Hearing Aid Spare Parts;
  - (ii)  $17\frac{1}{2}$  per cent. of item (i).

(b) where the Hearing Aid Spare Parts have been imported from a source outside the Commonwealth of Australia, the sum of—

- (i) landed cost of the Hearing Aid Spare Parts;
- (ii) 17½ per cent. of item (i).

*Maximum Prices—Sales by Retail.*

4. I fix and declare the maximum price at which Hearing Aid Spare Parts may be sold by a retail trader to be the sum of—

- (i) the purchase price paid or payable to the wholesale trader for such Hearing Aid Spare Parts; and
- (ii) 27½ per cent. of item (i).

*Maximum Prices—Sales by Importer—Retailer.*

5. I fix and declare the maximum price at which Hearing Aid Spare Parts imported from a source outside the Commonwealth of Australia by any retailer may be sold by such retailer to be the sum of—

- (i) landed cost of the Hearing Aid Spare Parts;
- (ii) 50 per cent. of item (i).

*Fixation of Maximum Prices by Notice.*

6. Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions of this Order, I declare the maximum price at which Hearing Aid Spare Parts specified in a notice given in pursuance of this clause 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.

Dated this 2nd day of September, 1954.

J. F. WALDRON,  
Prices Commissioner.

*Prices Regulation Acts.*

## PRICES REGULATION ORDER No. 652.

## REPAIR AND SERVICING OF HEARING AIDS.

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

*Citation.*

1. This Order may be cited as Prices Regulation Order No. 652.

*Interpretation.*

2. For the purposes of this Order, any reference to the supply of the service of—

- (a) the repairing a hearing aid; or
- (b) the servicing a hearing aid

shall be deemed to include a reference to the sale or supply of any materials in connexion with the supply of that service.

3. I fix and declare the maximum rate at which the service of—

- (i) the repairing of a hearing aid, or
- (ii) the servicing of a hearing aid

may be supplied by any person to be the sum of—

- (a) an amount calculated at an hourly rate of 15s. according to the time actually occupied by that person in connexion with the supply of that service;
- (b) the purchase price paid or payable (but, where such goods are declared goods, not in excess of the maximum permissible price therefor under the Prices Regulation Acts), for any materials supplied by him in connexion with the supply of that service, plus 10 per centum thereof;
- (c) any amount paid or payable by that person for any service supplied by any other person in connexion therewith.

*Records.*

4. Every person who supplies any service the maximum rate for which is fixed by or under this Order shall keep the following records:—

- (a) a separate time sheet or card in respect of himself and each of his employees showing his name, the names of such employees, their hourly rate as specified in paragraph 3 (a) of this Order, the time occupied by himself and each of such employees in the direct performance of any service of hearing aids, the name of the person to be charged for that service, and the date or dates on which that service is performed;
- (b) the quantity and description of any materials supplied in connexion with the supply of that service and the purchase price paid or payable by that person for those materials;
- (c) full particulars of any service performed by any other person in connexion with the supply of that service and the amount paid or payable by that person for any such service;
- (d) the total charge made by that person in respect of the supply of that service.

*Notice in Writing.*

5. Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions of this Order, I declare the maximum rate at which any service to which this Order applies specified in a notice given in pursuance of this clause may be supplied by any person to whom such notice is given to be such rate as is fixed by the Commissioner by notice in writing to that person.

Dated this 2nd day of September, 1954.

J. F. WALDRON,  
Prices Commissioner.