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PRICES CONTROL ACT, 1948-1949.

Prices Control Order No. 222.

Clothing, Garments, Apparel and Drapery—Sales by Retail.

IN pursuance of the powers conferred upon me by the Prices Control Regulations, 1949, I, Constantin Paul Mathea, Prices Control Commissioner, hereby make the following Order:—

Citation.

1. This Order may be cited as Prices Control Order No. 222.

Revocation.

2. Prices Control Order No. 81, as amended by Prices Control Order No. 114 is hereby revoked.

Application.

3. This Order shall apply to Clothing, Garments, Apparel and Drapery being declared goods other than—
 - (a) Footwear;
 - (b) Hessian and Liverpool Twill Cloth.

Definitions and Interpretation.

4. 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 which have been purchased by a retail trader from a wholesaler or a manufacturer within the Commonwealth of Australia, the percentage of the cost of those goods as specified in the Second Schedule to this Order according to the point of delivery of those goods to the retail trader, 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 equivalent to twice the percentage so specified;
 - “clothing, garments, apparel or drapery” means clothing, garments, apparel or drapery being declared goods;
 - “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 within 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);
 - “landed cost” means in respect of any specified goods purchased by a retail trader from a source outside the Commonwealth of Australia, the aggregate of the purchase price paid or payable for those goods to the overseas supplier after deduction of trade discount, but before deduction of cash discount together with inland carriage outside packing, Overseas office or forwarding agents’ commission actually incurred (but not in excess of 3¼ per centum of the invoice price of the goods after deduction of trade discount, but before the deduction of cash discount), bill of lading

and shipping charges, insurance, freight (but not in excess of current standard sea freight rates), exchange and bank fees actually incurred (but not in excess of mail steamer sight draft rate and $\frac{3}{8}$ of one per centum, respectively), duty and primage, wharfage, stacking, harbour dues and Stevedoring Industry Commission levy, Customs entry and Customs agents' charges (but not including any charges for costing or any percentage surcharge on cost), cartage actually incurred in transporting goods from wharf to store or from wharf to bond only (but not in excess of the maximum rate fixed to the Western Australian Road Transport Association (Inc.) for the cartage from wharf to store, or from wharf to bond, of such goods);

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

"P.O." means Post Office;

"manufacturer" means a 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 which have been purchased by a retail trader from a wholesaler or manufacturer within the Commonwealth of Australia, 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 or imports 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;

the expression "nearest G.P.O.," when used in relation to any point of delivery, or to any retail trader's place of business, shall be deemed to refer to the General Post Office at Sydney, Melbourne, Adelaide, Brisbane or Perth, or the Post Office, Launceston, whichever is the nearest in a straight line to such point of delivery or to such retail trader's place of business, as the case may be.

Maximum Retail Prices.

5. (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 within 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;

(b) in respect of specified goods purchased by the retail trader from the manufacturer of those goods within 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;

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 landed 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 halfpence—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.

6. 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.

7. 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 Control Act, 1948-1949, a book or books 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 purchases those goods.
- (d) (i) In respect of specified goods purchased by the retail trader from a wholesaler or a manufacturer within the Commonwealth of Australia, the point of delivery and the cost of those goods; or
(ii) in respect of specified goods imported by the retail trader from a source outside the Commonwealth of Australia—the landed 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 containing the particulars specified in subparagraphs (a), (c), (d) and (e) of this paragraph.

Exhibition of Price Tickets.

8. (1) Every person who has for sale by retail any goods the maximum price of which is fixed by or under the provisions of this Order shall attach to or display with those goods a ticket or label setting forth his selling price thereof.

(2) Any ticket or label required by subclause (1) of this clause to be attached to or displayed with any goods shall be in such a form as to be easily legible to any person inspecting or viewing those goods, and as to be properly associated with such goods.

Fixation of Maximum Prices by Notice.

9. 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 Commissioner by Notice in Writing to that person.

The First Schedule.

FIRST COLUMN.	SECOND COLUMN.	THIRD COLUMN.
Description of Goods.	Maximum Retail Margin.	
	Where Purchased from a Wholesaler within the Commonwealth of Australia.	Where Purchased from a Manufacturer within the Commonwealth of Australia or where Purchased from a source outside the Commonwealth of Australia.
	per centum.	per centum.
1. Men's, youths' and boys' clothing, garments and apparel other than—		
(a) Socks and stockings	27½	32½
(b) Shirts, pyjamas and woven underwear	32½	37½
2. Men's, youths' and boys' socks and stockings	27½	30
3. Men's, youths' and boys' shirts, pyjamas and woven underwear	32½	37½
4. Women's, maids', girls', infants' and babies' clothing, garments and apparel other than—		
(a) Foundation garments and brassieres	37½	42½
(b) Neckwear	32½	37½
(c) Infants' and babies' knitted wear manufactured from white wool	45	50
5. Women's, maids', girls' foundation garments other than brassieres	35	40
6. Women's, maids' and girls' brassieres	27½	30
7. Women's, maids', girls', infants' and babies' neckwear of all descriptions	30	30
8. Infants' and babies' knitted wear manufactured from white wool	32½	32½
9. Terry Towels, Terry bathmats and all other face and bath towels, other than huckaback towels	27½	30
10. All makes and descriptions of the following articles— Nursery squares, huckaback towels, tea towels, sheets, pillowslips, mattress covers and mosquito nets	35	45
11. All makes and descriptions of the following articles— Table cloths, serviettes, bungalow cloths, bedspreads, quilts, counterpanes and curtains	32½	32½
12. Blankets, bunny rugs, travelling rugs, and bush rugs	27½	32½
13. Handknitting yarns	25	25
14. Laces for boots, shoes and corsets	35	45
15. Woven or knitted piecegoods of the following description—		
(a) Nylon or woven or knitted plastic and plastic coated fabrics		
(b) Real silk or containing more than 25 per centum of real silk	35	42½
(c) Hand woven fabrics		
(d) Velvet, velveteen or plush		
(e) Canvas or duck		
(f) Red ticking		
(g) Furnishing fabrics		
(h) Imitation camel hair cloth		
16. Woven or knitted piecegoods manufactured from woollen worsted or cotton yarns or any mixtures thereof, which are not specified in Item 15	30	32½
17. Woven or knitted piecegoods not elsewhere specified but including waterproofed and rubberized fabric	33½	35
18. Cotton, artificial silk and silk threads used for domestic and manufacturing purposes, but not including cotton, artificial silk and silk threads used for the purpose of hand crocheting, knitting and embroidery	25	30
19. Linen, flax, hemp and ramie sewing threads and twists	33½	37½

The Second Schedule.

Allowance for Freight, Packing and Insurance.

Situation of Retail Trader's Place of Business.	Where the nearest G.P.O. to the point of delivery is:—					
	G.P.O., Sydney.	G.P.O., Melbourne.	G.P.O., Adelaide.	G.P.O., Brisbane.	G.P.O., Perth.	P.O., Lann- ceston.
	Per cent. of cost of goods.	Per cent. of cost of goods.	Per cent. of cost of goods.	Per cent. of cost of goods.	Per cent. of cost of goods.	Per cent. of cost of goods.
PART 1.						
Where the retail trader's place of business is situated within the area comprised within a radius of five miles from any railway station on the railway line—						
Between and including Northam and Burracoppin	3	2½	2	3½	¾	3
Between and including Noongar and Randalls	3	2½	2	3½	1½	3
Between and including Karonie and Deakin	3	2½	2	3½	2	3
Between and including Coolgardie and Widgiemooltha	3	2½	2	3½	1½	3
Between and including Coolgardie and Bardoc	3	2½	2	3½	1½	3
PART 2.						
Where the retail trader's place of business is situated other than in any of the areas specified in Part 1 of this Schedule, and—						
Within a radius of 50 miles from the G.P.O., Perth	3	2½	2	3½	3
Beyond a radius of 50 miles and within a radius of 175 miles from the G.P.O., Perth	3½	3	2½	4	¾	3½
Beyond a radius of 175 miles and within a radius of 400 miles from the G.P.O., Perth	4	3½	3	4½	1½	4
Beyond a radius of 400 miles and within a radius of 1,000 miles from the G.P.O., Perth	4½	4	3½	5	2	4½
Beyond a radius of 1,000 miles from the G.P.O., Perth	6	5½	5	6½	3½	6

Dated this 3rd day of March, 1950.

C. P. MATHEA,
Prices Control Commissioner.

PRICES CONTROL ACT, 1948-1949.

Prices Control Order No. 223.

Clothing, Garments, Apparel and Drapery—Sales by Wholesale.

IN pursuance of the powers conferred upon me by the Prices Control Regulations, 1949, I Constantin Paul Mathea, Prices Control Commissioner, hereby make the following Order:—

Citation.

1. This Order may be cited as Prices Control Order No. 223.

Revocation.

2. Prices Control Order No. 107 is hereby revoked.

Application.

3. This Order shall apply to Clothing, Garments, Apparel and Drapery being declared goods other than—

- (a) Footwear;
- (b) Hessian and Liverpool Twill Cloth.

Definitions.

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

“allowance for freight, packing and insurance” means, in relation to any specified goods which have been manufactured within the Commonwealth of Australia, the percentage of the cost of those goods specified in the Second Schedule to this Order according to the point of delivery of those goods to the wholesale trader; or in the case of woven woollen blankets, bunny rugs, bush rugs and travelling rugs—an amount equal to twice the percentage so specified;

“clothing, garments, apparel or drapery” means clothing, garments, apparel or drapery being declared goods;

“cost” means, in relation to any specified goods which have been manufactured within the Commonwealth of Australia, the purchase price paid or payable to the manufacturer of those goods or his agent after the deduction of any trade discount, but before the deduction of any cash discount, customarily allowed;

“landed cost” means, in relation to any specified goods which have been imported by a wholesale trader from a source outside the Commonwealth of Australia, the aggregate of—

the purchase price paid or payable for those goods to the overseas supplier after deduction of trade discount, but before deduction of cash discount together with inland carriage, outside packing, Overseas office or forwarding agents' commission actually incurred (but not in excess of 3¼ per centum of the invoice price of the goods after deduction of trade discount, but before the deduction of cash discount), bill of lading and shipping charges, insurance, freight (but not in excess of current standard sea freight rates), exchange and bank fees actually incurred (but not in excess of mail steamer sight draft rate and ⅜ of one per centum, respectively), duty and primage, wharfage, stacking, harbour dues and Stevedoring Industry Commission levy, Customs entry and Customs agents' charges (but not including any charges for costing or any percentage surcharge on cost), cartage actually incurred in transporting goods from wharf to store or from wharf to bond only (but not in excess of the maximum rate fixed to the Western Australian Road Transport Association (Inc.) for the cartage from wharf to store, or from wharf to bond, of such goods);

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

"P.O." means Post Office;

"point of delivery" means, in relation to any specified goods which have been manufactured within the Commonwealth of Australia, the place at which liability for payment of transport charges in conveying those goods to the wholesale trader's store passed to the wholesale trader from the manufacturer or his agent from whom such goods were purchased;

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

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

"woollen and worsted piece goods" means piece goods in the manufacture of which woollen or worsted yarn predominates and which is customarily used in the manufacture of men's, youths' or boys' outer garments, or women's, maids' or girls' costumes, suits, slacks, skirts or top coats, but does not include light weight woollen materials customarily used in the manufacture of women's, maids' or girls' undergarments, blouses or frocks;

"woollen dress material" means piece goods in the manufacture of which woollen or worsted yarn predominates and which is not of the kind or description specified in the definition of "woollen and worsted piece goods";

"woven or knitted rayon piece goods" means fabric manufactured from continuous filament rayon yarn or from spun (staple fibre) rayon yarn or mixtures of those yarns or from mixtures of either of those yarns with cotton or woollen yarn, including without limiting the generality thereof, piece goods described as rayon, artificial silk, spun fibre, staple fibre, fibro, long staple spun, rayon and cotton, artificial silk, rayon and wool or artificial silk and wool;

the expression "nearest G.P.O.," where used in relation to any point of delivery, shall be deemed to refer to the General Post Office, Sydney, Melbourne, Adelaide, Brisbane or Perth, or the Post Office, Launceston, whichever is the nearest in a straight line from such point of delivery.

5. I fix and declare the maximum price at which any goods specified in the first column of the First Schedule to this Order may be sold by a wholesale trader to be—

(1) in respect of specified goods manufactured within the Commonwealth of Australia, and purchased by such wholesale trader from the manufacturer or his agent, the sum of—

(a) the cost thereof;

(b) the percentage margin of such cost as specified in the second column of the said Schedule; and

(c) allowance for freight, packing and insurance:

Provided that in respect of specified goods for which no percentage margin is so specified, the maximum price shall not exceed the purchase price paid or payable for those goods (before the deduction of any discount or allowance thereon), together with allowance for freight, packing and insurance;

(2) in respect of specified goods imported from a source outside the Commonwealth of Australia, the sum of—

(a) the landed cost thereof; and

(b) the percentage margin of such landed cost as specified in the third column of the said Schedule:

Provided that where any wholesale trader has purchased any specified goods from any person other than a manufacturer or his agent within the Commonwealth of Australia, that wholesale trader shall not sell those goods unless and until he has made a written request to the Commissioner to fix a maximum price at which such specified goods may be sold and the Commissioner has fixed the maximum price accordingly.

Discounts.

6. Notwithstanding anything contained in this Order, where a wholesale 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 such difference. Provided that in any case whether any difference in price has been customarily allowed or not, where payment is made within 30 days from the date of invoice, such reduction shall not be less than 2½ per centum of such price.

Records to be kept of Purchases.

7. Every wholesale trader who sells or offers for sale any specified goods shall keep, in respect of such goods, and in addition to proper books and accounts required to be kept by him by law or for his own purposes, a book or books containing the following particulars:—

- (a) A full description of those goods.
- (b) The date of delivery of those goods into his store.
- (c) The name and address of the person from whom he purchased those goods; and
- (d) (i) in respect of specified goods manufactured within the Commonwealth of Australia—the point of delivery and the cost of those goods;
(ii) in respect of specified goods imported from a source outside the Commonwealth of Australia—the landed cost of those goods.

Sales Dockets or Invoices.

8. Every wholesale trader who sells or offers for sale any specified goods, shall deliver with those goods a docket or invoice containing the following particulars:—

- (a) His name and place of business.
- (b) Name and address of purchaser of those goods.
- (c) Date of sale of those goods.
- (d) Full description of the goods sold.
- (e) In relation to each item of goods sold the price charged.
- (f) In relation to each item of goods specified on such invoice or docket the words "wholesale sale."

Variation of Maximum Prices by Notice.

9. 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 Commissioner by notice in writing to that person.

The First Schedule.

First Column. Description of Goods.	Second Column.	Third Column.
	Maximum.	Margins.
	Where manufactured in the Commonwealth of Australia.	Where imported from a source outside the Commonwealth of Australia.
	per centum.	per centum.
1. Men's, youths' and boys' clothing, garments and apparel other than—	7½	7½
(a) Socks and stockings		
(b) Knitted garments		
2. Women's, maids', girls', infants' and babies' clothing, garments and apparel other than—	10	10
(a) Foundation garments and brassieres		
(b) Neckwear		
(c) Socks, stockings, sockettes and footlets manufactured from wool or containing wool		
(d) Knitted garments		
3. Women's, maids' and girls' foundation garments and brassieres	12½	12½
4. Women's, maids', girls', infants' and babies' neckwear	12½	12½
5. Knitted garments	12½	12½
6. Men's, youths' and boys' socks and stockings	12½	12½
7. Women's, maids', girls', infants' and babies' socks, stockings, sockettes and footlets manufactured from wool or containing wool	12½	12½
8. Terry towels, terry bath mats, huckaback towels and all other face and bath towels, mattress cases, bedspreads, quilts, counterpanes, mosquito nets and curtains	12½	12½
9. Sheets, pillowslips, nursery squares, bungalow cloths, tablecloths and serviettes	12½
10. Hand knitting yarns	8¾	8¾

The First Schedule—*continued.*

First Column.	Second Column.	Third Column.
Description of Goods.	Maximum.	Margins.
	Where manufactured in the Commonwealth of Australia.	Where imported from a source outside the Commonwealth of Australia.
	per centum.	per centum.
11. Blankets, bunny rugs, travelling rugs and bush rugs	10	10
12. Laces for boots, shoes and corsets	12½	12½
13. Woollen and worsted piecegoods :—		
(a) When sold in lengths greater than 40 lineal yards	7½	7½
(b) When sold in lengths greater than 20 lineal yards, but not greater than 40 lineal yards	10	10
(c) When sold in lengths not exceeding 20 lineal yards	17½	17½
14. Woollen dress material :—		
(a) When sold in lengths greater than 30 lineal yards	10	10
(b) When sold in lengths not exceeding 30 lineal yards	17½	17½
15. Woven or knitted Rayon piecegoods	15	15
16. Woven or knitted piecegoods not elsewhere specified, but including window holland, waterproofed and rubberized fabric	12½	12½

The Second Schedule.

Where the nearest G.P.O. to the point of delivery is—	Allowance for Freight, Packing and Insurance
	Per centum.
G.P.O., Sydney	3½
G.P.O., Melbourne	3
G.P.O., Adelaide	2½
G.P.O., Brisbane	4
G.P.O., Perth	Nil
P.O., Launceston	3½

Dated at Perth this 3rd day of March, 1950.

C. P. MATHEA,
Prices Control Commissioner.