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### PRICES CONTROL ACT, 1948-1949.

Prices Control Order No. 237.

Floor Coverings.

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. 237.

#### Revocation.

2. Prices Control Order No. 179 is hereby revoked.

#### Application.

3. Nothing in this Order shall apply to plain and marbled jaspé, feltex, teprae, feloura, bisonia, underfelt and other similar felt products manufactured by Felt & Textiles of Australia Limited and Fedexal Felters Pty. Ltd.

#### Definitions.

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

“floor coverings” means floor coverings of all descriptions whatsoever (other than of rubber), including carpets, linoleums and substitutes, floor rugs, runners, floor mats and matting, felt and paper under bases;

“cost” means—

- (a) in relation to floor coverings imported by the seller 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 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 ½ 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);

- (b) in relation to floor coverings not imported by the seller from a source outside the Commonwealth of Australia—the purchase price paid or payable for that floor covering after deduction of any trade discount, but before deduction of any cash discount, plus packing charges and cartage actually incurred, and the cost of transporting (if any), such floor coverings from the point of delivery to the seller’s premises and attributable to such floor coverings and recorded on an invoice delivered in relation thereto.

For the purpose of this subparagraph—

“cost in transporting” means freight charges, provided that where more than one freight service operates, the lowest freight rate only shall be allowed;

“point of delivery” means the place at which liability for payment of transport charges in conveying those goods to the seller’s store passed to the seller from the person from whom such goods were purchased.

## Maximum Wholesale Prices.

5. I fix and declare the maximum price at which any floor covering may be sold by any person by wholesale to be the sum of—

- (i) the cost of that floor covering;
- (ii) 15 per centum of such cost.

## Maximum Retail Prices.

6. I fix and declare the maximum price at which floor coverings specified in the First Schedule to this Order may be sold by any person by retail to be the sum of—

- (a) the cost of such goods;
- (b) sales tax paid or payable;
- (c) (i) in respect of floor coverings purchased by the retail seller from a source outside the Commonwealth of Australia, or floor coverings purchased by the retail seller at a manufacturer's price—35 per centum of (a) and (b); or
- (ii) in respect of floor coverings purchased by the retail seller from a wholesaler—30 per centum of (a) and (b).

7. I fix and declare the maximum price at which floor coverings specified in the Second Schedule to this Order may be sold by any person by retail to be the sum of—

- (a) the cost of such goods;
- (b) sales tax paid or payable;
- (c) (i) in respect of floor coverings purchased by the retail seller from a source outside the Commonwealth of Australia, or floor coverings purchased by the retail seller at a manufacturer's price—40 per centum of (a) and (b); or
- (ii) in respect of floor coverings purchased by the retail seller from a wholesaler—33 1/3rd per centum of (a) and (b).

8. I fix and declare the maximum price at which floor coverings specified in the Third Schedule to this Order may be sold by any person by retail to be the sum of—

- (a) the cost of such goods;
- (b) sales tax paid or payable;
- (c) (i) in respect of floor coverings purchased by the retail seller from a source outside the Commonwealth of Australia, or floor coverings purchased by the retail seller at a manufacturer's price—42½ per centum of (a) and (b); or
- (ii) in respect of floor coverings purchased by the retail seller from a wholesaler—33 1/3rd per centum of (a) and (b).

## Exhibition of Price Tickets.

9. (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 subparagraph (1) of this paragraph to be attached to or displayed with any goods shall be in such form as to be easily legible to any person inspecting or viewing those goods, and as to be properly associated with such goods.

## Discounts.

10. Notwithstanding anything contained in this Order, where a seller of floor coverings by wholesale or by retail 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 floor coverings; or
- (c) in respect of sales of floor coverings under certain conditions of sale, or upon certain terms of payment,

the maximum price fixed by or under this Order in respect of those floor coverings 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.

## Variation of Maximum Price by Notice.

11. Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions of this Order, I declare the maximum price at which floor coverings 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.

Linoleum of a higher grade than "C" grade.

## The Second Schedule.

Linoleum and linoleum substitutes of all grades other than those specified in the First Schedule to this Order, felt and paper under bases.

## The Third Schedule.

All floor coverings covered by this Order, other than those specified in the First and Second Schedules to this Order.

Dated this 6th day of April, 1950.

C. P. MATHEA,  
Prices Control Commissioner.

## PRICES CONTROL ACT, 1948-1949.

Prices Control Order No. 238.

Firewood—Geraldton Area.

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. 238.

## Definition.

2. In this Order "Geraldton Area" means all that area of Western Australia comprised within a radius of five miles from the principal post office at Geraldton.

## Maximum Wholesale Prices.

3. I fix and declare the maximum price at which firewood of the descriptions specified in the First Schedule to this Order may be sold by any person by wholesale, for delivery in the Geraldton Area to be the price specified therein.

## Maximum Retail Prices.

4. I fix and declare the maximum price at which firewood of the descriptions specified in the Second Schedule to this Order may be sold by any person by retail in the Geraldton Area to be—

- (a) in respect of sales for delivery at the purchaser's premises—the price specified in that Schedule according to the quantity of firewood comprised in that sale;
- (b) in respect of sales for delivery otherwise than at the purchaser's premises—the price so specified less 3d. per cwt. in each case.

## Delivery of Invoices or Dockets.

5. Every person who sells firewood by retail in the Geraldton Area shall deliver with that firewood an invoice or docket containing the following particulars:—

- (a) His name and place of business.
- (b) The name and address of the purchaser of that firewood.
- (c) The date of the sale of that firewood.
- (d) A description of the firewood sold.
- (e) The weight of the firewood sold.
- (f) The price per ton or per cwt. at which that firewood is sold.

Exhibition of Price List.

6. Every person who sells or has for sale by retail any firewood, the maximum price of which is fixed by or under the provisions of this Order, 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, in the form of a price list and in such a manner as to be easily legible to persons contemplating making any purchase or conducting any business at his place or places of business, particulars of the maximum price fixed by or under the provisions of this Order for the sale by him of that firewood.

Variation of Maximum Prices by Notice.

7. Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions of this Order, I declare the maximum price at which firewood specified in a notice in pursuance of this paragraph may be sold in the Geraldton Area 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.

Description of Firewood.	Maximum Wholesale Prices.	
	Sales for Delivery to Purchaser's Premises.	
	per ton.	
Bushwood, other than Jamwood, Lengths greater than 3 feet ....	£1 13s. 6d.	
Jamwood—Lengths greater than 3 feet ....	£1 17s. 6d.	

The Second Schedule.

Description of Firewood.	Maximum Retail Prices Sales for Delivery to Purchaser's Premises.	
	per ton.	per cwt.
Bushwood, including Jamwood Lengths 3 feet or less ....	£2 15s. 0d.	2s. 9d.

Dated this 6th day of April, 1950.

C. P. MATHEA,  
Prices Control Commissioner.