

Serial Number 1947/38



**THE ELECTRICITY CONTROL ORDER 1945,
AMENDMENT NO. 2**

PURSUANT to the Supply Control Emergency Regulations 1939* and the Electricity Emergency Regulations 1939†, the Electricity Controller doth hereby order and direct as follows:—

1. (1) This Order may be cited as the Electricity Control Order 1945, Amendment No. 2, and shall be read together with and deemed part of the Electricity Control Order 1945‡ (hereinafter referred to as the principal Order).

(2) This Order shall come into force on the day following the day on which notification of the making thereof is published in the *Gazette*.

2. For the purposes of this Order the expression “thermal-storage water-heating service” means any water-heating service in which the heated water is stored or remains in a container that has a capacity of more than 3 gallons and is affixed to a building.

3. (1) Each supply authority shall forthwith take such action as it thinks fit for the purpose of reducing its weekly unit consumption of electricity to an amount not exceeding four-fifths of the amount of units per week for the time being allocated to it by the Electricity Controller:

Provided that the supply authority shall do such things as it deems necessary to ensure that sufficient electricity is supplied for hospitals, for cool stores and freezing-works, for dairy factories, for railway signals, and for farming purposes (not being electricity for dwellinghouse purposes only).

(2) If in its opinion any supply authority is unable by any other means to reduce its weekly unit consumption to the extent referred to in subclause (1) of this clause, it shall refuse to supply electrical energy for use in thermal-storage water-heating services to which this subclause applies or shall diminish the amount of electrical energy supplied for that use to such extent as may be necessary (when taken in conjunction with other savings in the use of electrical energy) to reduce the weekly unit consumption to the extent referred to in subclause (1) of this clause.

* Statutory Regulations 1939, Serial number 1939/131, page 599.

† Statutory Regulations 1939, Serial number 1939/146, page 664.

‡ Statutory Regulations 1945, Serial number 1945/54, page 130.

Amendment No. 1: Statutory Regulations 1945, Serial number 1945/165, page 401.

(3) Subclause (2) of this clause shall apply with respect to every thermal-storage water-heating service except a service installed before the commencement of this Order and used to heat water for—

- (a) Farming or dairy-factory purposes:
- (b) Any industrial or commercial purpose:
- (c) The purposes of any hospital, or of the surgery of any medical practitioner, dentist, or veterinary surgeon:
- (d) The purposes of any hotel, boarding-house, lodging-house, or apartment-house, or of any restaurant or eating-house.

(4) For the purposes of this clause the Electricity Controller hereby delegates to the chief executive officer of every supply authority, and to every other executive officer for the time being acting under subclause (1) of clause 15 of the principal Order, such of the Controller's powers, privileges, and rights as may be required to enable those executive officers on behalf of the supply authority to give effect to the provisions of this clause, and the decisions of the supply authority made for the purposes of this clause, including the power of delegation and including in particular the right of access to any premises, the powers referred to in subclause (2) of the said clause 15, and the authority to disconnect any electric line or work.

4. Where for the purpose of complying with this Order any supply authority decides to disconnect any thermal-storage water-heating service or services, the following provisions shall apply:—

- (a) Subject to the provisions of clause 14 of the principal Order, any authorized officer of the supply authority may enter upon any premises for the purpose of ascertaining whether there is installed therein any thermal-storage water-heating service to which subclause (2) of clause 3 of this Order applies, and for the purpose of disconnecting any such service that is installed in the premises; and nothing in clause 13 of the principal Order or in the Schedule to that Order shall apply:
- (b) It shall be lawful for the supply authority, until the disconnection of every such service as aforesaid is completed, to employ any of its electrical servicemen or wiremen, and any person usually employed by it on outdoor work, in the disconnection of such services:
- (c) The chief executive officer of the supply authority may, on application made to him for the reconnection of any such service, authorize in writing such reconnection as aforesaid if he is satisfied that the refusal of the application would, by reason of the sickness or infirmity of the applicant or of some member of the applicant's family or of some other person on whose behalf the application is made, or by reason of other circumstances, cause substantial hardship to any such person:

(d) The supply authority shall not charge to any person any fee for the disconnection or reconnection of the service.

5. Clause 8 of the principal Order (which relates to street-lighting systems operated by local authorities or public bodies) is hereby amended by omitting the words "80 per cent.", and substituting the words "50 per cent."

6. While this Order continues in force the provisions of the principal Order and of the Electric Water-heating Order 1943* shall be read subject to the provisions of this Order.

Dated at Wellington, this 20th day of March, 1947.

F. T. M. KISSEL,
Electricity Controller.

* Statutory Regulations 1943, Serial number 1943/105, page 204.
Amendment No. 1: Statutory Regulations 1943, Serial number 1943/197, page 441.
Amendment No. 2: Statutory Regulations 1944, Serial number 1944/156, page 428.

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