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## THE MAXIMUM RETAIL PRICES MARKING NOTICE 1974

PURSUANT TO regulation 30 of the Stabilisation of Prices Regulations 1973\*, the Minister of Trade and Industry hereby gives the following notice.

### N O T I C E

**1. Title and application**—(1) This notice may be cited as the Maximum Retail Prices Marking Notice 1974.

(2) This notice shall apply with respect to scheduled goods manufactured or packed on or after the 1st day of July 1974.

**2. Interpretation**—In this notice—

“Label” and “package” have the same meanings as in regulation 30 of the Stabilisation of Prices Regulations 1973\*:

“Scheduled goods” means goods of any of the kinds specified in the Schedule to this notice:

“Secretary” means the Secretary of Trade and Industry.

**3. Emblem and retail prices to be shown**—Every manufacturer or packer of any scheduled goods—

(a) Shall cause every package containing such goods to bear a label on which is printed or stamped an emblem, in the form specified in the Second Schedule to the Maximum Retail Prices Marking Notice 1973†, and showing in the space provided in the emblem the maximum retail price of the goods, as determined in accordance with the Fourth Schedule to the Stabilisation of Prices Regulations 1973\*; or

(b) Where any such goods are packed in a display container in which they are intended to be displayed for sale to the public, shall cause that container to bear such an emblem showing that maximum retail price where it may be easily read by the public.

**4. Exemptions**—Where the Minister has, by notice in the *Gazette*, exempted any specified manufacturer or packer from compliance with the requirements of clause 3 of this notice either generally or in respect of any specified class of scheduled goods, then, so long as that exemption continues in force and the manufacturer or packer complies with every condition subject to which the exemption is granted, the provisions of the said clause 3 shall not apply with respect to that manufacturer or packer, or as the case may be, shall not apply to him with respect to the class of scheduled goods so specified.

\*S.R. 1973/270

Amendment No. 1: S.R. 1973/282

Amendment No. 2: S.R. 1973/324

†S.R. 1973/178

**5. Retailer to price-mark goods in certain cases—Where—**

- (a) Pursuant to clause 4 of this notice a manufacturer or packer of scheduled goods is for the time being exempt from compliance with the requirements of clause 3 of this notice; or
- (b) The retailer does not, in any case where paragraph (b) of clause 3 hereof applies, display any scheduled goods in the display container marked in accordance with that paragraph,—
- the retailer of any such goods shall, as soon as practicable after the receipt of the goods,—
- (c) Comply with such of the requirements of the said clause 3 as the manufacturer or packer would be obliged to comply with if he had not been exempted pursuant to the said clause 4; or
- (d) Affix to or keep in a prominent position in such proximity to the goods as to obviously relate to those goods a ticket, placard, or label bearing an emblem, in the form specified in the Second Schedule to the Maximum Retail Prices Marking Notice 1973\*, and showing the maximum retail price of the goods, as determined in accordance with the Fourth Schedule to the Stabilisation of Prices Regulations 1973†.

**6. Notification of maximum wholesale and retail prices—**Not later than the 1st day of July 1974, every manufacturer or packer of scheduled goods shall advise the Secretary in writing of the maximum wholesale price and retail prices for those goods, as determined in accordance with the Fourth Schedule to the Stabilisation of Prices Regulations 1973†.

**7. Prices not to exceed lawful prices under stabilisation regulations—**Nothing in this notice shall authorise any retailer to sell any scheduled goods at a price exceeding the maximum price that he could lawfully charge under the Stabilisation of Prices Regulations 1973†.

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### SCHEDULE

Baby foods, canned or bottled.  
 Baked beans.  
 Biscuits.  
 Breakfast foods and cereals.  
 Cheese, which is both processed and pre-packed.  
 Cocoa and cocoa-based preparations.  
 Coffee, including instant coffee, coffee beans, coffee and chicory, coffee essence, and coffee and milk.  
 Confectionery, including chocolate.  
 Crispbread.  
 Fish, canned.  
 Fruits, dried or evaporated (excluding crystallised or drained fruits and synthetic fruits).  
 Fruit juices, canned or bottled.

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SCHEDULE—*continued*

Honey, packed.  
Jams and marmalade of all types.  
Malted milk.  
Margarine.  
Meat, canned (with or without other ingredients).  
Meat extracts and vegetable extracts.  
Peanut butter.  
Rice, including ground rice.  
Soap, soap powders, and detergents.  
Soup powders.  
Spaghetti, canned.  
Tea, per lb.

Dated at Wellington this 29th day of March 1974.

WARREN FREER,  
Minister of Trade and Industry.

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**EXPLANATORY NOTE**

*This note is not part of the notice, but is intended to indicate its general effect.*

This notice makes provision for the application of maximum retail prices marking to grocery lines of the kinds specified in the Schedule. It applies only to such goods manufactured or packed on or after 1 July 1974.

Clause 3 requires manufacturers and packers of such goods to mark on every package containing such goods, or, where they are packed in a display container in which they are to be displayed for sale, to mark on that container, an M.R.P. emblem showing the maximum retail prices of the goods.

Specified manufacturers or packers may, under clause 4, be exempted by notice in the *Gazette*.

Clause 5 provides that where any manufacturer or packer has been exempted and in certain other cases, the M.R.P. emblem and price must be marked or affixed by the retailer.

Clause 6 provides that manufacturers and packers of such goods must not later than 1 July 1974 notify the Secretary of Trade and Industry of their maximum wholesale and retail prices of the goods.

Clause 7 provides that nothing in the notice will authorise packers to sell such goods at prices exceeding those permitted by the Stabilisation of Prices Regulations 1973.

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