



THE PETROLEUM DEMAND RESTRAINT (MOTOR SPIRITS) REGULATIONS 1981

DAVID BEATTIE, Governor-General

ORDER IN COUNCIL

At the Government Buildings at Wellington this 24th day of August 1981

Present:

THE RIGHT HON. D. MACINTYRE PRESIDING IN COUNCIL

PURSUANT to the Petroleum Demand Restraint Act 1981, His Excellency the Governor-General, acting by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council, hereby makes the following regulations.

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REGULATIONS

1. Title and commencement—(1) These regulations may be cited as the Petroleum Demand Restraint (Motor Spirits) Regulations 1981.

(2) Subject to section 9 (1) of the Petroleum Demand Restraint Act 1981 and to subclause (3) of this regulation, these regulations shall come

into force on a date to be appointed by Order in Council, and different dates may be so appointed in respect of different provisions of these regulations.

(3) This regulation shall come into force on the day after the date of the notification of these regulations in the *Gazette*.

2. Interpretation—In these regulations, unless the context otherwise requires,—

“Authorised retailer” means a retailer authorised by the Minister under regulation 12 (1) of these regulations:

“Coin-operated pump” means a pump—

(a) Which is used for the retail sale of motor spirits; and

(b) Which can be operated by a person on the insertion of a coin or coins into a slot provided for the purpose in respect of the pump:

“Commercial fishing boat” means a fishing boat registered under Part I of the Fisheries Amendment Act 1963:

“Exempted user” means a person—

(a) Who is described in the Second Schedule to these regulations; or

(b) Who is the holder of a permit for the time being in force under regulation 11 of these regulations:

“Fuel tank” means a tank, on a motor vehicle or ship, that is designed to contain motor spirits for use for the propulsion of the motor vehicle or ship:

“Minister” means the Minister of Energy:

“Motor spirits” has the same meaning as is given to the term “motor spirit” under the heading 27.10 in the Customs Tariff (as set out in the Second Schedule to the Customs Act 1966); and includes—

(a) Motor spirit manufactured in New Zealand; and

(b) Petrol:

“Motor vehicle” means a vehicle drawn or propelled by mechanical power:

“Prohibited day” means—

(a) In relation to any motor vehicle with an odd registration plate number, the whole of each day (not being a public holiday)—

(i) Which is a Monday, a Tuesday, a Wednesday, or a Thursday; and

(ii) Which is a calendar day of even number; and

(b) In relation to any motor vehicle with an even registration plate number, the whole of each day (not being a public holiday)—

(i) Which is a Monday, a Tuesday, a Wednesday, or a Thursday; and

(ii) Which is a calendar day of odd number:

“Public holiday” means Anzac Day, Christmas Day, Boxing Day, New Year’s Day, the 2nd day of January, Good Friday, Easter Monday, Labour Day, the Sovereign’s Birthday, or Waitangi Day:

Provided that where any day is observed throughout New Zealand as a holiday in substitution for any day specified in the

foregoing provisions of this definition, the day so observed, and not the day so specified, shall be a public holiday for the purposes of these regulations:

“Registration plate” means a registration plate issued under section 10 of the Transport Act 1962; and includes a trade plate issued under section 22 of that Act:

“Rental vehicle” means a rental vehicle as defined in section 2 (1) of the Transport Act 1962:

“Restricted period” means any period specified in the First Schedule to these regulations:

“Retailer” means a person other than a wholesaler, who sells motor spirits to any other person, whether in conjunction with any other business or not; and in respect of a sale made by a wholesaler to any other person, for any purpose other than resale, includes that wholesaler:

“Sale” includes barter and every other disposition for valuable consideration; and “sell” has a corresponding meaning:

“Secretary of Energy” means the Secretary of Energy appointed in accordance with section 5 of the Ministry of Energy Act 1977:

“Ship” means every description of vessel (including a barge, lighter, or like vessel) used in navigation, however propelled:

“Traffic officer” means a traffic officer within the meaning of section 2 (1) of the Transport Act 1962:

“Wholesaler” means a person who sells motor spirits to any other person for the purpose of resale.

3. Regulations to bind the Crown—These regulations shall bind the Crown.

4. General restrictions on retail sale of motor spirits—(1) No person shall sell any motor spirits at retail to any other person, unless, at the time of the transaction, the motor spirits are deposited—

(a) By the seller or by an employee of the seller; or

(b) By the customer under the supervision of the seller or of an employee of the seller—

directly into the fuel tank of a motor vehicle or ship, being a motor vehicle or ship brought by the customer to the place of business of the seller and present at that place at the time of the deposit.

(2) Every person who contravenes subclause (1) of this regulation commits an offence against these regulations.

(3) This regulation is subject to regulations 8, 13, 14, 17, and 18 of these regulations.

5. Special restrictions on retail sale of motor spirits in relation to motor vehicles—(1) No person shall sell any motor spirits at retail for deposit, at the time of the transaction, directly into the fuel tank of a motor vehicle, unless—

(a) A registration plate is affixed to that motor vehicle; and

(b) The day on which the transaction takes place is not a prohibited day in respect of that motor vehicle.

(2) Every person who contravenes subclause (1) of this regulation commits an offence against these regulations.

(3) This regulation is subject to regulations 8, 11, 12, 13, 14, 17, and 18 of these regulations.

6. Special restrictions on quantities of motor spirits sold at retail in relation to motor vehicles (other than motor cycles or power cycles)—(1) No person shall sell any motor spirits at retail for deposit, at the time of the transaction, directly into the fuel tank of a motor vehicle (other than a motor cycle or power cycle), unless—

(a) The quantity sold by means of the transaction, or, where the transaction is one of a series comprising at least 2 transactions which relate to the same motor vehicle and which immediately succeed each other, the aggregate quantity sold by means of those transactions, does not exceed the quantity that can be purchased for \$20 at the price fixed by the Motor Spirits Regulation of Prices Regulations 1981; and

(b) Either—

(i) The quantity sold by means of the transaction is not less than the quantity that can be purchased for \$10 at the price fixed by the Motor Spirits Regulation of Prices Regulations 1981; or

(ii) Where the quantity sold by means of the transaction is less than the quantity that can be purchased for \$10 at the price fixed by the Motor Spirits Regulation of Prices Regulations 1981, the price paid is, notwithstanding anything in those regulations or the Act under which they are made, \$10.

(2) Every person who contravenes subclause (1) of this regulation commits an offence against these regulations.

(3) This regulation is subject to regulations 8, 11, 12, 13, 14, 17, and 18 of these regulations.

7. Restrictions on purchase of motor spirits—(1) No person shall—

(a) On a day that is a prohibited day in relation to any motor vehicle, purchase at retail any motor spirits that are on that day deposited into the fuel tank of that motor vehicle; or

(b) Purchase at retail by means of any single transaction, or by means of a series comprising at least 2 transactions which relate to the same motor vehicle and which immediately succeed each other, a quantity of motor spirits that exceeds the quantity that can be purchased for \$20 at the price fixed by the Motor Spirits Regulation of Prices Regulations 1981; or

(c) Purchase at retail by means of any single transaction a quantity of motor spirits (other than a quantity that is deposited directly into the fuel tank of a motor cycle or a power cycle) that is less than the quantity that can be purchased for \$10 at the price fixed by the Motor Spirits Regulation of Prices Regulations 1981 unless he pays \$10 for that quantity.

(2) Every person who contravenes subclause (1) of this regulation commits an offence against these regulations.

(3) This regulation is subject to regulations 8, 11, 12, 13, 14, 17, and 18 of these regulations.

8. Exceptions to regulations 4 to 7 of these regulations—

(1) Nothing in regulations 4 to 7 of these regulations shall apply to a transaction (being a sale or purchase of motor spirits in or into a container or tank) if—

(a) The transaction takes place in the ordinary course of business between a retailer and a customer; and

(b) The sale of motor spirits at retail in or into a container or tank by that retailer to that customer is for the time being approved in writing by the Secretary of Energy; and

(c) The transaction is in accordance with that approval and any conditions to which that approval is subject.

(2) The Secretary of Energy may give his approval for the purposes of subclause (1) (b) of this regulation (which approval may be subject to conditions) where he is satisfied that a person will be prevented from carrying on, or will be unduly hampered in the carrying on of, a business if he is refused, either generally or in relation to a particular retailer, the right to purchase motor spirits at retail in or into a container or tank.

(3) Nothing in regulation 5 (1) or regulation 6 (1) or regulation 7 (1) of these regulations shall apply to the selling or purchasing of motor spirits on the termination of a hire of a rental vehicle if—

(a) The seller is the owner of the rental vehicle; and

(b) The purchaser is the hirer of the rental vehicle; and

(c) The quantity of motor spirits to which the transaction relates (being the quantity necessary to fill or top up, as the case may require, the fuel tank of the rental vehicle) is deposited directly into the fuel tank of the rental vehicle.

(4) Nothing in regulation 6 (1) or regulation 7 (1) of these regulations shall apply in respect of—

(a) Any sale of motor spirits to, or purchase of motor spirits by, an exempted user; or

(b) Any sale or purchase of motor spirits that takes place in accordance with permission given under regulation 13 of these regulations.

(5) In any prosecution for an offence against regulation 4 (1) or regulation 5 (1) or regulation 6 (1) or regulation 7 (1) of these regulations, it shall be for the defendant to prove—

(a) That the act complained of was not an offence by virtue of—

(i) Subclause (1) or subclause (3) or subclause (4) of this regulation; or

(ii) Regulation 14 of these regulations; or

(b) That the defendant sold or purchased the motor spirits to which the prosecution relates in accordance with regulation 11 or regulation 12 or regulation 13 of these regulations.

9. Restrictions on use of coin-operated pumps—(1) No person shall pump any motor spirits from a coin-operated pump unless—

(a) He is the retailer by whom the pump is provided, or an employee of the retailer; or

(b) He does so under the supervision of the retailer or of an employee of the retailer.

(2) Every person who contravenes subclause (1) of this regulation commits an offence against these regulations.

10. Restricted periods for sale of motor spirits—(1) No person shall—

(a) Sell any motor spirits to any other person; or

(b) Purchase any motor spirits from any other person—

at any time in a restricted period, except in accordance with regulation 11 or regulation 12 or regulation 13 or regulation 14 of these regulations.

(2) Every person who contravenes subclause (1) of this regulation commits an offence against these regulations.

(3) Nothing in subclause (1) of this regulation shall apply to the selling or purchasing of motor spirits in a trade transaction (being a transaction to which the only parties are wholesalers or retailers or both).

(4) Nothing in subclause (1) of this regulation shall apply to the selling or purchasing of motor spirits on the termination of a hire of a rental vehicle if—

- (a) The seller is the owner of the rental vehicle; and
- (b) The purchaser is the hirer of the rental vehicle; and
- (c) The quantity of motor spirits to which the transaction relates (being the quantity necessary to fill or top up, as the case may require, the fuel tank of the rental vehicle) is deposited directly into the fuel tank of the rental vehicle.

(5) In any prosecution for a contravention of this regulation, the onus shall lie on the defendant to prove—

- (a) That, by virtue of subclause (3) or subclause (4) of this regulation, the act complained of was not an offence; or
- (b) That the defendant sold or purchased the motor spirits to which the prosecution relates in accordance with regulation 11 or regulation 12 or regulation 13 or regulation 14 of these regulations.

11. Permits for exempted use—(1) Where the Secretary of Energy is satisfied that the right to purchase motor spirits during restricted periods or on any prohibited days in respect of any motor vehicle is necessary for any person, being a person—

- (a) Who is engaged in seasonal work or in weather-related agricultural work; or
- (b) Who is engaged in a capacity, such as that of a ranger, in the enforcement of any Act or regulations,—

the Secretary of Energy may issue that person with a permit authorising him (during a period, not exceeding 3 months, to be specified in the permit) to purchase motor spirits during restricted periods or on prohibited days in respect of any motor vehicle.

(2) Every such permit shall specify the purposes for which the holder may purchase motor spirits and the purposes so specified shall, in relation to the holder and for the duration of the permit, be the activities of an exempted user.

(3) The Secretary of Energy may, in his discretion, revoke any permit issued under subclause (1) of this regulation by giving written notice to that effect to the person to whom it was issued.

(4) Nothing in this regulation shall limit the provisions of regulation 13 of these regulations.

12. Sales during restricted periods or on prohibited days to exempted users—(1) The Minister may from time to time in writing authorise any specified retailer to sell motor spirits to any exempted users during restricted periods or on prohibited days in respect of any motor vehicle.

(2) The Minister may at any time by notice in writing to an authorised retailer revoke the authorisation given under this regulation to that retailer.

(3) Every authorisation or notice of revocation of an authorisation under this regulation shall be notified in the *Gazette* as soon as practicable after it is given.

(4) During any restricted period, an authorised retailer may sell motor spirits, on the following conditions but not otherwise, to any other person whom he believes on reasonable grounds to be an exempted user:

- (a) Before the transaction, the retailer shall take reasonable steps to satisfy himself that the person to whom he is to sell the motor spirits is an exempted user who requires the motor spirits for the purposes of his activities as an exempted user; and
- (b) Before the retailer supplies the motor spirits to the purchaser pursuant to the transaction, the retailer shall make and keep a record in Form 1 of the Third Schedule to these regulations in respect of the transaction; and
- (c) Before the retailer supplies the motor spirits to the purchaser pursuant to the transaction, the purchaser shall certify as true and sign the record made out by the retailer in respect of the transaction.

(5) During any restricted period or on any prohibited day in respect of any motor vehicle, an exempted user may purchase motor spirits, on the conditions specified in paragraphs (a) to (c) of subclause (4) of this regulation but not otherwise, from any authorised retailer.

(6) Every exempted user commits an offence against these regulations who—

- (a) During any restricted period, purchases motor spirits for purposes not connected with his activities as an exempted user; or
- (b) On a prohibited day in relation to a motor vehicle, purchases motor spirits which are on that day deposited into the fuel tank of that motor vehicle and which are used for purposes not connected with his activities as an exempted user.

13. Emergency supply of motor spirits—(1) Where a member of the Police or a traffic officer who is an officer of the Ministry of Transport is satisfied that a person needs to purchase motor spirits—

- (a) For emergency purposes; or
- (b) For the purpose of refuelling a motor vehicle after it has been used for emergency purposes,—

the member of the Police or traffic officer may permit any authorised retailer to sell to the person the amount of motor spirits that is necessary to meet the emergency or to refuel the motor vehicle.

(2) When giving permission to an authorised retailer to sell motor spirits in accordance with this regulation, the member of the Police or traffic officer shall inform the retailer of—

- (a) The full name and address of the intended purchaser, and any other information that in the opinion of the member of the Police or traffic officer may assist the retailer to identify the intended purchaser; and
- (b) The amount of motor spirits that may be sold to the intended purchaser; and
- (c) Where applicable, the registration plate number of any motor vehicle in respect of which a prohibited day applies.

(3) Where an authorised retailer sells motor spirits pursuant to permission given to him under this regulation, the following conditions shall apply—

- (a) The motor spirits may be sold only to a person whom the retailer believes on reasonable grounds is the intended purchaser to whom the permission relates:

- (b) Before the transaction, the retailer shall take reasonable steps to satisfy himself that the purchaser is the intended purchaser to whom the permission relates:
- (c) Before the retailer supplies the motor spirits to the purchaser pursuant to the transaction, the retailer shall make and keep a record in Form 2 of the Third Schedule to these regulations in respect of the transaction:
- (d) Before the retailer supplies the motor spirits to the purchaser pursuant to the transaction, the purchaser shall certify as true and sign the record made out by the retailer in respect of the transaction:
- (e) The amount of motor spirits to be sold pursuant to the transaction shall not exceed the amount for which the permission was given.

(4) Any person in relation to whom permission has been given under this regulation may, subject to compliance by him with the terms of the permission and with the conditions set out in paragraphs (d) and (e) of subclause (3) of this regulation, purchase motor spirits from the authorised retailer to whom the permission has been given.

(5) Any sale or purchase of motor spirits made in accordance with permission given under this section may take place at any time, including—

- (a) In a restricted period; or
- (b) On a prohibited day in respect of a motor vehicle.

14. Key-operated pumps—Notwithstanding anything in regulations 4, 5, 6, 7, 10, and 12 of these regulations,—

- (a) An authorised retailer, or a retailer whose premises are more than 5 kilometres from the premises of an authorised retailer who is open for the sale of motor spirits to exempted users, may issue to any exempted user a key that will enable the exempted user to effect a self-service sale of motor spirits to himself by means of a pump used for the retail sale of motor spirits and situated at the retailer's premises; and
- (b) An exempted user may use any key issued to him pursuant to paragraph (a) of this regulation to effect a self-service sale of motor spirits to himself if—
 - (i) The sale takes place when the premises at which the pump is situated are closed; and
 - (ii) The motor spirits are deposited directly by the exempted user into the fuel tank of a motor vehicle used by him for the purposes of his activities as an exempted user; and
 - (iii) Where the sale takes place during a restricted period or on any prohibited day in respect of any motor vehicle, the purchaser makes out, as if he were an authorised retailer, the record required by regulation 12 (4) (b) of these regulations and, after certifying and signing that record as required by regulation 12 (4) (c) of these regulations, leaves it, at the time of the sale, in a secure place at the premises of the retailer.

15. Records to be kept by retailers—(1) At the end of every restricted period or on any day (not being within a restricted period), every retailer who has sold motor spirits during that period or that day (being a day that

is a prohibited day in respect of any motor vehicle), whether under regulation 14 of these regulations or otherwise, shall make and keep written records of—

- (a) The total quantity of motor spirits sold by him to exempted users during that restricted period or on that day; and
- (b) The total quantity of motor spirits sold by him under regulation 13 of these regulations during that restricted period or on that prohibited day.

(2) Every retailer shall, if required to do so by any member of the Police or traffic officer, produce to that member of the Police or traffic officer for inspection any record that the retailer is required to keep under these regulations.

(3) Every retailer shall, if required to do so by the Secretary of Energy, or any person authorised in writing by the Secretary of Energy, deliver to the Secretary of Energy or authorised person, or to any other specified person, any specified record that the retailer is required to keep under these regulations.

(4) Every retailer commits an offence against these regulations who contravenes subclause (1) or subclause (2) or subclause (3) of this regulation.

16. Employee or agent may act on behalf of retailer—Any act or thing required or permitted to be done by a retailer under regulations 12 to 15 of these regulations may be done on behalf of the retailer by an employee or agent of the retailer.

17. Sales of motor spirits for use in aircraft or certain ships exempted—(1) Nothing in these regulations shall apply to the sale or purchase of motor spirits—

- (a) For use in any aircraft; or
- (b) For the purposes of resale for use in any aircraft; or
- (c) For use in any ship, being—
 - (i) A commercial fishing boat used for the purposes of commercial fishing; or
 - (ii) A ship used exclusively as part of an organised surf lifesaving or sea rescue service; or
 - (iii) A ship used principally, and in the course of a business, for the carriage of passengers or goods or both for hire or reward; or
 - (iv) A ship used principally, and in the course of a business, for letting out on charter or hire or for commercial fishing or for both.

(2) In any prosecution for an offence against any provision of these regulations, it shall be for the defendant to prove that, by virtue of subclause (1) of this regulation, the act complained of was not an offence.

18. Sales of motor spirits by wholesalers to users of large quantities exempted—(1) Nothing in these regulations shall apply to any sale or purchase of motor spirits under which the motor spirits sold are delivered to the purchaser—

- (a) By a wholesaler within the meaning of the Motor Spirits Distribution Act 1953; and

(b) Either—

- (i) At the wholesaler's premises; or
- (ii) By road or rail tanker.

(2) In any prosecution for an offence against any provision of these regulations, it shall be for the defendant to prove that, by virtue of subclause (1) of this regulation, the act complained of was not an offence.

19. General penalty—Every person who commits an offence against these regulations is liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding \$400.

SCHEDULES

FIRST SCHEDULE

RESTRICTED PERIODS

Reg. 2

1. In respect of each Thursday (not being a public holiday), the period after 7 p.m.
2. The whole of each Friday.
3. The whole of each Saturday.
4. The whole of each Sunday.
5. In respect of each Monday (not being a public holiday), the period before 6 a.m.
6. In respect of each day—
 - (a) Which is a Monday, a Tuesday, or a Wednesday; and
 - (b) Which (not being a public holiday) immediately precedes a public holiday,—
 the period after 9 p.m.
7. In respect of each day—
 - (a) Which is a Tuesday, a Wednesday, or a Thursday; and
 - (b) Which (not being a public holiday) immediately follows a public holiday,—
 the period before 6 a.m.
8. The whole of each public holiday.

SECOND SCHEDULE

EXEMPTED USERS

Regs. 2, 12 (1), 12 (4), 12 (5), 14 (1), 15 (1)

1. A member of an ambulance service.
2. A district nurse.
3. A member of an animal ambulance service conducted by the Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals.
4. A member of a fire brigade within the meaning of section 2 of the Fire Service Act 1975.

SECOND SCHEDULE—*continued*

5. A driver of any motor vehicle designed and used for the transport of food or livestock.
6. A registered medical practitioner.
7. A driver of any motor vehicle designed and used for the delivery of milk.
8. A member of the Police.
9. A minister of religion.
10. A driver of a rental vehicle.
11. A driver of a taxicab.
12. A driver of a passenger-service vehicle within the meaning of section 2 (1) of the Transport Act 1962.
13. A rural mail contractor.
14. A traffic officer.
15. A registered veterinary surgeon.
16. A news media reporter or photographer.
17. A security service operator.
18. A newspaper contractor or distributor.
19. A patrol officer employed by an automobile association.
20. A funeral director or an employee of a funeral director.
21. A driver of a motor vehicle which is operated by the Electricity Division of the Ministry of Energy, and which is emblazoned with words or markings or both indicating that it is operated by that Division.
22. A driver of a motor vehicle which is operated by an Electrical Supply Authority within the meaning of section 2 of the Electricity Act 1968 and which is emblazoned with words or markings or both indicating the Authority by which it is operated.
23. A driver of a motor vehicle which is operated by a gas undertaking within the meaning of section 2 of the Gas Industry Act 1958 and which is emblazoned with words or markings or both indicating the undertaking by which it is operated.
24. A driver of a motor vehicle which is operated by the New Zealand Government Railways Department and which is emblazoned with words or markings or both indicating that it is operated by that Department.
25. A driver of a motor vehicle which is operated by the New Zealand Post Office and which is emblazoned with words or markings or both indicating that it is operated by that office.
26. A driver of a rubbish collection motor vehicle.

THIRD SCHEDULE

FORM 1

Reg. 12 (4) (b)

Record of motor spirits sold to an exempted user

1. Date of sale:
2. Full name of exempted user:
3. Business address of purchaser:
4. Classification of exempted user (i.e., member of ambulance service, etc.):

THIRD SCHEDULE—*continued*

5. Registration number of motor vehicle of exempted user:
6. Quantity of motor spirits sold to exempted user (being motor spirits required for the purposes of the activities of the exempted user):
7. Name of retailer:

I certify that the foregoing information is true in all respects.

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(Signature of exempted user)

FORM 2

Reg. 13 (3) (b)

Record of motor spirits sold for emergency services

1. Name of member of the Police or traffic officer permitting sale:
2. Place where stationed:
3. Date of sale:
4. Full name of purchaser:
5. Address of purchaser:
6. Quantity of motor spirits sold to purchaser:
7. Name of retailer:

I certify that the foregoing information is true in all respects.

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(Signature of purchaser)

C. J. HILL,
Acting for Clerk of the Executive Council.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This note is not part of the regulations, but is intended to indicate their general effect.

These regulations make provision for restricting the sale of motor spirits. The operative provisions of the regulations come into force on a date to be appointed by Order in Council, and different dates may be appointed in respect of different provisions of the regulations. When operative provisions are brought into force they may be applied either generally or only to specified parts of New Zealand.

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These regulations are administered in the Ministry of Energy.