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**THE TEA SUBSIDY REMOVAL EMERGENCY
REGULATIONS 1947**

B. C. FREYBERG, Governor-General

ORDER IN COUNCIL

At the Government House at Wellington, this 24th day of
September, 1947

Present :

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL IN COUNCIL

PURSUANT to the Emergency Regulations Act, 1939, His Excellency the Governor-General, acting by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council, doth hereby make the following regulations for the purpose of imposing a levy on traders in respect of stocks of tea on which subsidies have been paid and in respect of which an increased price will be authorized owing to the reduction of subsidies.

REGULATIONS

1. These regulations may be cited as the Tea Subsidy Removal Emergency Regulations 1947.

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

“The said date” means the 29th day of September, 1947 (being the date from which subsidies on tea will be reduced and increased prices authorized) :

“Trader”, in relation to tea, means any person who carries on in New Zealand the business of supplying tea, whether as a packer, a distributor, a wholesaler, or a retailer, but does not include a person who purchases or obtains tea for any purpose other than resale, or for the purpose of resale as an ingredient in a beverage.

3. (1) Every trader shall, within seven days from the said date, furnish to the Rationing Officer appointed under the Rationing Emergency Regulations 1942* for the locality in which the trader carries on business a return showing the amount of tea held by him at midnight on the day immediately preceding the said date.

* Statutory Regulations 1942, Serial number 1942/111, page 253.

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(2) Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions of this regulation, any return that is required to be furnished to a Rationing Officer may be furnished by any trader other than a retail trader to the Rationing Controller appointed under the Rationing Emergency Regulations 1942,* and in the event of any such return being furnished to the Rationing Controller, the bank receipt referred to in Regulation 4 hereof shall be forwarded to the Controller.

4. (1) Every trader who is required to furnish a return under these regulations shall pay into the Public Account an amount calculated at the rate of 1s. a pound for all tea in respect of which he is required to furnish a return as aforesaid.

(2) Any amount that is required to be paid under this regulation shall be paid by the trader into a branch of the Bank of New Zealand, and, subject to the provisions of Regulation 3 hereof, the bank receipt shall be forwarded by him to the Rationing Officer to whom the return is to be furnished.

5. Any amount required by Regulation 4 hereof to be paid shall be deemed to be a debt due from the trader to the Crown and may be recovered accordingly in any Court of competent jurisdiction.

6. Every person commits an offence against these regulations who—

(a) Without lawful excuse fails to furnish a return as required by Regulation 3 hereof:

(b) With intent to deceive, makes any false or misleading statement or any material omission in any return required to be furnished as aforesaid.

7. Every person who commits an offence against these regulations shall be liable on summary conviction to imprisonment for a term not exceeding three months or to a fine not exceeding £100, and (if the offence is a continuing one) to a further fine not exceeding £10 for every day during which the offence continues.

W. O. HARVEY,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

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