

make the regulations contained in Part II of the Schedule hereto; and doth hereby, in exercise of the powers conferred as aforesaid by the War Legislation Act, 1917, make under the War Regulations Act, 1914, the regulations contained in Part III of the Schedule hereto.

SCHEDULE.

PART I.—GENERAL.

1. THE regulations contained in this Schedule may be cited as the Timber Regulations.

2. In these regulations—

“Board of Trade” or “Board” means the Board of Trade established under the Cost of Living Act, 1915:

“Minister in Charge” or “Minister” means a member of the Executive Council for the time being charged by the Governor-General with the administration of these regulations:

“Sawmill” means a mill at which sawn timber is produced from the log.

3. For the assistance of the Minister in Charge and the Board of Trade in the exercise of the powers and authorities conferred by these regulations, there may be appointed an advisory committee, to be known as the Timber Industry Committee, which shall consist of such representatives of persons engaged in the business of sawmilling or of exporting timber from New Zealand, or in any business depending upon a supply of timber, as the Minister in Charge, on the recommendation of the Board of Trade, may from time to time appoint to hold office during his pleasure.

4. The owner or manager of every sawmill shall, within twenty-eight days after the publication of these regulations in the *Gazette*, furnish to the Board of Trade particulars as to—

(a.) The name and address of the owner of the mill;

(b.) The location of the mill; and

(c.) The names, addresses, and businesses of all persons who, since the 31st day of March, 1917, have obtained from the sawmill not less than 50,000 superficial feet of sawn timber.

PART II.—EXPORTATION OF TIMBER.

5. (1.) The Minister in Charge may from time to time determine, with respect to any sawmill, the minimum quantity of sawn timber of any kind or grade produced in that sawmill that may be required for use in New Zealand in any period. Such quantity may be fixed either definitely as a specified amount of timber, or indefinitely as a fractional part of the output from the mill of timber of the kind or grade referred to.

(2.) The quantity so determined by the Minister for any period in respect of any sawmill may from time to time be increased or reduced by him.

(3.) Notice of the quantity so fixed with respect to any sawmill, and of any increase or reduction thereof, shall be forthwith given to the proprietor or manager of that sawmill, by the Minister or the Board of Trade.

(4.) In fixing, with respect to any sawmill or sawmills, the minimum quantity (if any) of sawn timber required to be reserved pursuant to these regulations for use in New Zealand, the Minister may have regard to the terms of any agreement between the owners of any sawmills that, in consideration of the terms of the agreement, the whole or any specified portion of the timber that may be required for use in New Zealand from the mills owned by the parties to the agreement shall be produced in one or more specified mills to the exclusion or partial exclusion of other specified mills.

(5.) A breach of any such agreement shall not constitute a breach of these regulations, but on such breach being proved to the satisfaction of the Minister he shall forthwith adjust, in such manner as he deems equitable, the quantities of timber to be reserved for use in New Zealand from the several sawmills affected by the agreement.

6. After a notice with respect to timber of any kind or grade has been given under the last preceding clause of these regulations with respect to any sawmill, it shall not be lawful for any person (whether a sawmiller or not) to export sawn timber of that kind or grade produced at that sawmill (whether before or after the delivery of that notice)—

(a.) Except pursuant to a permit to export such timber issued by a Collector of Customs pursuant to the provisions of these regulations in that behalf; and