

or when any dispute arises as to whether any wheat delivered in fulfilment of any contract of purchase or sale entered into by Government brokers on account of the Government is in accordance with the contract in respect of kind, quality, or condition, the dispute shall be determined by a Government grader appointed for this purpose by the Board of Trade, and his decision shall be final.

49. When any dispute, other than as mentioned in the last preceding clause, arises between the parties to any contract entered into by a Government broker on account of the Government, or between a Government broker and the Government, or between a Government broker and any seller or purchaser of wheat to or from the Government, touching the meaning or operation of these regulations or of any contract so entered into, the dispute shall be determined by the Wheat Controller, whose decision shall be final.

50. Nothing in the last two preceding clauses shall apply to any prosecution for an offence against these regulations.

51. (1.) Subject to the foregoing provisions as to the settlement of disputes, the following weights shall be accepted by all parties as the basis of settlement in all contracts for the purchase or sale of wheat by or to the Government:—

Wheat delivered direct to a mill—flour-millers' weights :

Wheat delivered free on board—customary free-on-board weights :

Wheat delivered ex store either to mills or free on board—ex-store weights.

(2.) The only deduction from such weights shall be 3 lb. tare per sack.

PART VII.—OFFENCES.

52. Every person shall be guilty of an offence against these regulations, and shall be liable under the War Regulations Act, 1914, accordingly, who does or attempts or conspires to do any act declared by these regulations to be unlawful.

53. Every Government broker shall be guilty of an offence against these regulations, and shall be liable under the War Regulations Act, 1914, accordingly, who commits any wilful breach of his contract with the Government under these regulations.

54. Every seller of wheat to the Government or purchaser of wheat from the Government under these regulations who commits a wilful breach of his contract with the Government shall be guilty of an offence against these regulations, and shall be liable under the War Regulations Act, 1914, accordingly.

55. Every person who, being a servant or agent of any Government broker or of any such seller or purchaser of wheat, wilfully does any act whereby or in consequence of which such Government broker, seller, or purchaser breaks his contract with the Government shall be guilty of an offence against these regulations, and shall be liable under the War Regulations Act, 1914, accordingly.

56. Every person who deceives or attempts to deceive a Government broker or the Wheat Controller in the exercise of his functions under these regulations shall be guilty of an offence against these regulations, and shall be liable under the War Regulations Act, 1914, accordingly.

57. Every person who incites, aids, abets, counsels, or procures any other person, or conspires with any other person, to commit an offence against these regulations shall be guilty of an offence against these regulations, and shall be liable under the War Regulations Act, 1914, accordingly.

58. Every person who fails to make in accordance with these regulations any return required thereby or in pursuance thereof, or who makes any such return which is false or misleading in any particular, shall be guilty of an offence against these regulations, and shall be liable under the War Regulations Act, 1914, accordingly.

59. Every person who, whether as principal, agent, or otherwise, sells or purchases, or agrees or offers to sell or purchase, wheat at a price in excess of the maximum price thereof as determined for the time being under the Regulation of Trade and Commerce Act, 1914, shall be guilty of an offence against these regulations, and shall be liable under the War Regulations Act, 1914, accordingly.

PART VIII.—RETURNS.

60. On or before the 7th day of June, 1919, every grower of wheat shall make to the Wheat Controller a return showing, as at the 31st day of May, 1919—

(a.) The number of bushels of each variety of wheat grown by him and threshed but not yet sold and delivered :

(b.) How much of such wheat still lies on the grower's farm :