

Parcel-post Regulations.—Amendments.

JELlicoe, Governor-General.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House at Wellington, this 1st day of November, 1921.

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS by Orders in Council dated the twenty-third day of August, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, the twentieth day of December, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, the ninth day of December, one thousand nine hundred and eighteen, the eighth day of July, one thousand nine hundred and nineteen, and the twenty-sixth day of July, one thousand nine hundred and twenty, and published in the *New Zealand Gazette* of the twenty-fourth day of August, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, the twenty-third day of December, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, the twelfth day of December, one thousand nine hundred and eighteen, the twenty-fourth day of July, one thousand nine hundred and nineteen, and the twenty-ninth day of July, one thousand nine hundred and twenty, respectively, regulations were made and rates of postage fixed under the authority of the Post Office Act, 1900, and the Post and Telegraph Act, 1908, respectively, for the conveyance of parcels by means of the Post Office: And whereas it is desirable to amend and add to such regulations, and to alter such rates of postage in the manner hereinafter set forth:

Now, therefore, His Excellency the Governor-General of the Dominion of New Zealand, in pursuance and exercise of the power and authority conferred upon him by the Post and Telegraph Act, 1908, and of all other powers and authorities in that behalf enabling him, and acting by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said Dominion, doth hereby make the regulations and fix the rates of postage set forth in the Schedule hereto; and doth hereby revoke so much of the regulations and rates in the Schedules to the above-recited Orders in Council as is inconsistent herewith; and doth further order that the said revocation shall take effect, and the regulations hereby made and the rates of postage hereby fixed shall come into force, on the date of the publication of this Order in Council in the *New Zealand Gazette*, and that the regulations hereby made shall form part of and be read together with the above-recited regulations.

SCHEDULE.

RATES AND POSTAGE.—PARCELS.

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| Inland | { | <p>6d. for the first pound; 2d. for each additional pound or fraction thereof up to 10 lb.; 1d. for each additional pound or fraction thereof between 10 lb. and 28 lb.</p> <p>The postage rates applicable to an 11 lb. parcel are charged on all parcels (except parcels containing fishing-rods, golf-clubs, or similar articles) weighing less than 11 lb. if such parcels exceed 4 ft. length and girth combined.</p> <p>An additional fee of 6d. is charged on all inland parcels (except parcels containing fishing-rods, golf-clubs, or similar articles, exceeding 3 ft. 6 in. in length) that do not exceed 4 ft. length and girth combined, and 9d. on those that exceed 4 ft. length and girth combined, which the senders desire forwarded to destination in hampers.</p> |
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POSTING AND LABELLING.

(2.) All packages of such a nature as to require special protection to assure their safe transmission through the post must be sent as parcels, and in the case of inland parcels the special "fragile" fee of 6d. or 9d. (as may be required) prepaid, otherwise that protection cannot be afforded. The special "fragile" fee does not apply, however, to parcels containing fishing-rods, golf-clubs, or similar articles which exceed 3 ft. 6 in. in length. All parcels presented for transmission through the post must be fully addressed on the parcels themselves, as well as on any tied-on labels. When a parcel is in a wrapping of material to which stamps or fragile labels do not properly adhere the sender must affix a tied-on label.

CUSTOMS DECLARATION.

(3.) The sender of a parcel addressed to any place beyond New Zealand must make a Customs declaration (on a form to be obtained at any post-office) describing the contents and stating the value, and also giving the name of the office of destination and the sender's signature and place of residence. In the case of parcels addressed to certain foreign countries, two or more declarations are required. A false declaration involves the forfeiture of the parcel, and renders the sender liable to prosecution under the Customs laws. The contents of a parcel must not be described on the Customs declaration in general terms, such as "Presents," "Groceries," &c., but each article must be enumerated, and, in the case of parcels containing foodstuffs addressed to the United Kingdom, the actual weight of each commodity shown. When there is not sufficient room on the form of Customs declaration, the necessary details must be shown by the sender on the cover of the parcel.

LIMITS OF WEIGHT AND SIZE.

(4.) Wheels up to a maximum diameter of 26 in. shall be accepted, at the sender's risk, for despatch in parcel bags to offices served by rail or steamer, provided they do not exceed in length and girth combined 7 ft. In such cases they will be labelled "Post Office accepts no risk." Wheels required to be forwarded in hampers, or addressed to places served by wheeled conveyance, must not exceed in diameter 2 ft.

Fishing-rods, golf-clubs, and similar articles in packages up to a maximum length of 4 ft. 6 in. may be accepted. In addition to the ordinary parcel rates the special "fragile" fee must also be paid on parcels of this class which do not exceed 3 ft. 6 in. in length.

EXPRESS TRANSIT SERVICE.

(5.) On payment by the sender of a special fee of 6d. in addition to the postage, a parcel for delivery within New Zealand shall be forwarded to its destination by the first ordinary letter-mail despatched after the time of posting. On arrival at the office of destination such express parcel may be called for at the post-office; otherwise it shall be delivered in the ordinary course.