

Minister's Decisions under Customs Acts.

Customs Department, Wellington, 6th October, 1924.

IT is hereby notified, for public information, that the Hon. the Minister of Customs has decided to interpret the Customs Acts in relation to the undermentioned articles as follows:—

NOTE.—“Not elsewhere included” appears as n.e.i.; “other kinds” as o.k.; “articles and materials suited for, and to be used solely in, the fabrication or repair of goods within New Zealand” as a. and m.s. Articles marked thus † are revised decisions.

Record	Goods.	Classification under Tariff, and Item No.	Rate of Duty.		
			British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tariff.
3/582	A. and m.s., viz. :— Bootmakers' materials, viz.,— Tip-iron, being iron bar specially stamped for making heel-tips	As a. and m.s. (643) ..	Free ..	20 per cent.	20 per cent.
3/583	Brushes and brooms, materials for the manufacture of, viz.,— Broom-sewing twines, when cut into 6 ft. lengths, and declared for use only in the manufacture of brooms	As a. and m.s. (643) ..	Free ..	5 per cent.	10 per cent.
3/583	Mop-connectors, metal, specially suited for attaching mops to handles, when declared for use only in the manufacture of mops	As a. and m.s. (643) ..	Free ..	5 per cent.	10 per cent.
5/19/2	Hatmakers' materials, viz.,— Bandeaux linings (for making ladies' hats fit firmly), declared by a hat-manufacturer for use only in making hats	As a. and m.s. (643) ..	Free ..	Free ..	Free.
†5/21/6	Shape-retainers for hats and caps, when declared by hat or cap manufacturers for use only in making hats or caps, namely,— Cap-canes, bent to circular shape, with the ends joined, specially suited for supporting the crowns of caps	As a. and m.s. (643) ..	Free ..	Free ..	Free.
†5/21/5	Hat-grip of celluloid, the “West,” for stitching under the front of the crown of a soft felt hat				
†5/21/5	Hat-shape retainers, the “Nodento,” for placing inside fronts of soft felt hats (The above decisions on shape-retainers revise decisions in M.O. 18, M.O. 12, and M.O. 20 respectively.)				
3/159/4	Metal bars, H-shaped, of lead edged with brass, specially suited for making leaded lights	As a. and m.s. (643) ..	Free ..	5 per cent.	10 per cent.
†5/38	Perambulator-fringe-edging, when cut into lengths not exceeding 50 in. and declared for perambulator trimming (NOTE.—Revises decision on page 77 of the Tariff-book.)	As a. and m.s. (643) ..	Free ..	Free ..	Free.
4/273	Articles n.e.i., viz. :— “Adco” manure-mixture, for rapidly decomposing straw into humus	As articles n.e.i. (644) ..	Free ..	Free ..	Free.
5/26	Drapery, viz. :— Feather dress-trimming (ostrich or other) in the piece	As drapery n.e.i. (225) ..	20 per cent.	30 per cent.	35 per cent.
2/102/15	Electrical appliances and materials, viz. :— Insulating parts (made of vulcanite or similar material) for Edison storage-batteries—namely, pole rings, pin or pocket rods, side rods, and side sheets (NOTE.—Although listed as “insulators,” these are not the “insulators” of Tariff item 434.)	As appliances to peculiar the generation of electricity (433A)	Free ..	10 per cent.	10 per cent.
7/29/6	Greases, skip, crude, viz. :— “Texaco” Crater Compounds Nos. 1, 2, and 5	As skip greases, crude, &c. (583)	½d. per gal.*	½d. per gal.*	½d. per gal.*
3/162/6	Iron, bar, &c., viz. :— “Burlington” steel fencing-posts, being channel steel, U-shaped, unwrought	As plain black channel iron (390)	Free ..	20 per cent.	20 per cent.

* Suspended duty, which may be brought into operation by Order in Council.