

2. Passengers travelling first or second class by mail or express trains running between Wellington (Thorndon) and Auckland, Auckland and Whangarei, (or Opua), Auckland and Rotorua, Wellington (Thorndon) and New Plymouth, Wellington (Thorndon) and Napier, Christchurch and Greymouth, Christchurch and Dunedin and Invercargill, and holding tickets for a journey of not less than 100 miles to be made by such trains, may, if they so desire, reserve seats for the journey on production of their tickets and payment of a charge of 9d. for each seat so reserved.

3. Passengers may in a like manner reserve seats for any of the following journeys:—

- (a.) By mail or express trains from Feilding to Wellington (Thorndon), or *vice versa*.
- (b.) By the Rotorua express train from Rotorua to Frankton Junction, being portion of a journey to a station on the Main Trunk line south of Frankton Junction, provided the whole journey from starting to destination station is not less than 100 miles.
- (c.) By the Napier-Wellington express train from Napier, Clive, or Hastings to Woodville, being portion of a journey to a station on the Wairarapa line, provided the whole journey from starting to destination station is not less than 100 miles.
- (d.) By the Christchurch-Culverden (or Waiau) passenger-train from Christchurch to Culverden (or Waiau), or *vice versa*.
- (e.) By the Dunedin-Cromwell passenger-train from Dunedin to Hindon or any other station beyond Hindon, or by the Cromwell-Dunedin passenger-train for any distance of not less than 100 miles.

4. Any passenger intending to join a train for a journey in respect of which seats may be reserved at a station other than Wellington (Thorndon), Auckland, Whangarei (or Opua), Rotorua, New Plymouth, Napier, Greymouth, Christchurch, Culverden (or Waiau), Dunedin, Cromwell, or Invercargill, and who desires to reserve a seat, must apply for such reservation to a Stationmaster, and on presentation of his ticket for the journey and payment of a fee of 9d. for such reservation together with a telegraphing fee of 9d., application will be made for the reservation, but no guarantee will be given that a seat will then be available for reservation.

5. Not more than one seat will be reserved for each passenger.

6. Seats may be reserved at any officered station fourteen days in advance of the day on which the passenger desires to travel.

7. Reserved seat tickets are not transferable, and are not available for break of journey.

4. Sleeping-berths.

1. Applications for the reservation of sleeping-berths will be received as under:—

- (a.) At the station from which the train commences its journey: Not later than one hour before the time-table time of departure of the train from the starting-station.
- (b.) At any station other than that from which the train commences its journey: Not later than two hours and a half before the time-table time of departure of the train from the original starting-station.

2. Sleeping-berth tickets will be issued only to passengers by the Auckland-Wellington express trains who hold first-class tickets.

3. The charge per berth will be 12s. 6d. Except as provided hereunder, not more than one person will be allowed to occupy any one berth.

4. Charges for children occupying sleeping-berths will be as follows:—

(a.) No charge in addition to the full sleeping-berth fee paid by a parent or guardian in respect of himself or herself will be made for one child not exceeding 3 years of age who occupies the same berth as such parent or guardian.

(b.) Two children, neither of whom exceeds 12 years of age, who occupy one berth will together be charged the full ordinary rate for an adult occupying a berth—*i.e.*, equivalent to half ordinary rate will be charged for each child.

(c.) Children over 3 and under 12 years of age occupying the same berth as their parent or guardian will be charged half the ordinary rate for an adult occupying a berth, in addition to the full charge payable by the parent or guardian.

(d.) When one child occupies a berth exclusively full adult rate will be charged, irrespective of the age of the child.

(e.) Children over 12 years of age will be charged full adult rate in all cases, whether occupying a separate berth or not.

5. Passengers joining any of the trains to which sleeping-cars are attached, and who desire to reserve sleeping-berths at a station other than the original starting-station of the train, should make application to a Stationmaster not less than two hours and a half before the time-table time of departure of the train from Auckland or Wellington (as the case may be), and deposit the proper amount chargeable for the berths together (when demanded) with a fee of 9d. for telegraphing.

6. Passengers who have not reserved berths may obtain berthing on application to guard of train after train has left starting-station, provided there are berths available.

7. Subject as hereinbefore provided, sleeping-berths may be reserved at any officered station fourteen days in advance of the day on which the passenger desires to travel.

8. Sleeping-berth tickets are not transferable, and are not available for break of journey.

9. Sleeping-carriages will, as far as possible, be reserved for the use of passengers holding sleeping-berth tickets. The Department reserves to itself the right to require passengers holding sleeping-berth tickets to ride in the sleeping-carriages throughout the journey. The Department also reserves to itself the right to accommodate any passengers not holding sleeping-berth tickets in the sleeping-carriages until it is necessary to make up berths for the night, when passengers who have not been allotted sleeping-accommodation must remove to another part of the train.

10. The Department will as far as possible adhere to its original allotment of sleeping-berths, but reserves the right to change the allotment of sleeping-berths in order to distribute the available berths to the best advantage or for any other reason considered by the Department to be sufficient. The Department does not undertake to provide sleeping-accommodation.