

(7.) Sawn Timber, Logs, Mouldings, &c.

1. Minimum quantities will be as follows:—

| Distance. | Each Four-wheeled Truck (not otherwise specified). | Each LA Truck. | Bogie Trucks R and U, or Pair of Timber-trucks. | Bogie Trucks, RB and UB. |
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| Up to 75 miles .. | 1,200 sup. ft. | 1,500 sup. ft. | 2,000 sup. ft. | 3,000 sup. ft. |
| Over 75 miles .. | 2,000 „ | 3,000 „ | 4,000 „ | 5,000 „ |

2. Any less quantity will be charged at such minimum, or at 1½d. per 100 superficial feet per mile up to 40 miles; for each additional mile up to 80 miles, ¾d. per 100 superficial feet, and for each additional mile thereafter ½d. per 100 superficial feet. Where this rate is charged the minimum quantity will be 100 ft., and the minimum rate 2s. 1d. per 100 superficial feet, without further charge for loading or unloading; provided, however, that the minimum charge for each consignment will be 3s. 6d.

3. Imported timbers will be charged rate and a half.

4. In computing the charges for timber 50 ft. or under will be foregone; over 50 ft. will be charged as the next 100 ft.

5. Ladders or small lots of timber of under 100 ft. may be charged as Class A, or at parcel rates, if cheaper than the charge for timber in small lots.

6. Except where otherwise specified, odd lengths of 6 in. and upwards will be counted as a foot in measuring the length of timber; less than 6 in. will be omitted.

7. In computing the measurement of rusticated weatherboards, tongued-and-grooved flooring and lining boards, and all other boards of irregular width and thickness, the full over-all measurement will be charged for—i.e., the board will be taken to measure as if its greatest width and thickness were uniform throughout the entire width and thickness of the board.

8. In computing the sizes of sawn timber, whether dressed or undressed, fractional parts less than ¼ in. in width or thickness will be reckoned as ¼ in.

9. Round timber: Trade measurement; computed according to Hoppus's tables of trade measurement No. 5, except in the case of log timber consigned to sawmills the measurement of which will be computed according to Hoppus's table No. 2. No allowance to be made for bark by ringing or otherwise, or for tops, butts, or unsound wood.

10. When timber is over 26 ft. in length check wagon or wagons may be charged for.

11. In the case of timber "shorts"—i.e., pieces not exceeding 6 ft. in length—the superficial measurement may be calculated at the rate of 450 superficial feet to the ton; minimum quantity per four-wheeled truck to be based on 5 tons, except in the case of LA trucks, for which the minimum will be based on 6 tons 10 cwt.

12. The Department may require all loading and unloading to be performed by the owner. For each loading or unloading performed by the Department 8½d. per 100 superficial feet additional will be charged: Provided that when timber is handled by the Department by means of a crane and craneage is charged for, half rate only will be charged under this paragraph for such handling.

13. When it is desired that the Department shall tally the number of pieces, 4½d. per 100 superficial feet will be charged; provided that (except in the case of consignments received ex ship) this charge shall not be made when loading or unloading charges (as the case may be) are payable.

14. For each certificate of timber measurement supplied by the Department at the request of consignors or consignees, 8½d. per 100 superficial feet additional will be charged. Measuring of timber will be done only at the option of the Department.

(8.) Live-stock.

1. Mixed consignments of cattle, horses, or hounds loaded in the same truck will be charged separately for each class of animal, or as one lot as "cattle," whichever is the cheaper.

2. Sheep and pigs conveyed in LA trucks will be charged two-thirds of the rate charged for J trucks.

3. Bogie stock wagons will be charged double the classified rates.

4. When a truck is only partially occupied by a consignment of live-stock, the Department reserves to itself the right to fill it up to its full carrying-capacity with other stock. If a whole truck is specially required by the sender the truck rate will be charged.

5. Cattle, calves, sheep, or goats, in small lots, may be charged at truck-load rate, or (unless the consignor requires the exclusive use of a truck) at the following rates, with a minimum charge per truck of half the classified rate:—

| | For any Distance not exceeding 10 Miles. | For every Mile after the First 10 Miles. |
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| Cattle, first animal | s. d. 11 4 | s. d. 0 4½ |
| Cattle, each additional one in the same truck, belonging to the same owner | 1 6½ | 0 1½ |
| Calves (six months old and under), sheep, goats, or pigs, one only, carried loose | 3 9 | 0 3½ |
| Calves (six months old and under), sheep, goats, or pigs, each additional one in the same truck, belonging to the same owner | 0 4½ | 0 0½ |