

PART V.—CLASSIFICATION OF GOODS, LIVE-STOCK, ETC.

All goods, live-stock, parcels, and luggage carried on the railways will be charged under the class specified in this classification.

If any goods which are not mentioned in this classification are required to be carried by rail they shall, until the classification of such goods and the conditions of their carriage are determined by the Minister, be carried and charged as if they were classified herein as "Class A, owner's risk, *special goods*."

All goods hereinafter classified as "dangerous" are hereby declared to be "*Special Goods*."

The word "dangerous" indicates that the goods will be conveyed under the regulations applicable to explosives and dangerous goods.

The maximum weight of any package containing fish shall be 2 cwt. Packages of fish exceeding 2 cwt. will not be accepted for carriage.

Where goods are described as "packed" it is intended that they shall be properly and securely packed in cases, casks, bags, crates, or otherwise, for safe transit by rail, in the manner in which such goods are usually packed in the trade, and that they shall not be carried loose or in bulk. A number of articles tied together by string or wire will be treated as not packed. The Department reserves the right to decide whether any goods are packed within the meaning of this regulation.

Except in the case of goods carried by measurement, the words "rate and a quarter," "rate and a half," or "double rate" mean that the classified or local rate for the conveyance of any article in the following classification to which any such words apply shall be increased by one-fourth, or by one-half, or doubled, as the case may be. When any such goods (except dangerous goods) are carried by measurement, such increase of the classified or local rate shall not apply. The increased rate shall apply to *dangerous* goods in all cases. The word "half-rate," where specified, means that the "*classified rate*" per ton will be halved, and applies to that rate only, except in cases where goods charged at the "local rate" are carried by measurement, when the "local rate" will be halved.

When goods are classified at "rate and a quarter," "rate and a half," or "double rate," and are charged on double dead-weight instead of measurement on port lines, the rate will be increased: Provided that the charges shall not be greater than if computed at single rate on the total measurement.

Where a rate is specified as being for a minimum quantity the rate so qualified applies only to quantities of not less than the weight specified; but if the charges for the minimum weight specified amount to less than charges on actual weight at the higher rate prescribed for smaller quantities than the specified minimum, the charges as for the minimum quantity at the lower rate shall apply.

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| Accumulators. When charged with liquid, double rate; when dry, single rate. Owner's risk. <i>Special goods</i> | A |
| Acids, not otherwise specified, packed. Double rate. Owner's risk. <i>Special goods. Dangerous</i> | A |
| Acid, acetic, boracic, citric, and tartaric, packed. Owner's risk | A |
| Acid, carbolic, packed in casks or wrought-iron drums. Owner's risk | A |
| Acid, sulphuric or muriatic, New Zealand manufacture, not otherwise specified, packed. Owner's risk. <i>Dangerous</i> | A |
| Acid, sulphuric or muriatic, New Zealand manufacture (minimum quantity 4 tons). Owner's risk. <i>Dangerous</i> | D |
| Acid, sulphurous, packed. Owner's risk | A |
| Acorns, packed. Rate and a half | E |
| Aerated or mineral waters, packed. Owner's risk | B |
| Aeroplanes. Minimum charge as for 1 ton for four-wheeled wagon, 2 tons for bogie wagon. Owner's risk. <i>Special goods</i> | A |
| Ale | As Beer |
| Almonds, packed | A |
| Alpinites, or alpinites fibre (insulating-material) | C |
| Alum, packed | C |
| Alumina, sulphate or ferric of, consigned to local bodies for water-purification purposes. Rate and a half | E |
| Ambrosia, packed. Owner's risk | E |
| Ammonia Gas, compressed, in solid-drawn steel tubes. Owner's risk. <i>Dangerous</i> | A |
| Ammonia, anhydrous, New Zealand manufacture, in iron drums or steel cylinders. Owner's risk. <i>Dangerous</i> | B |
| Ammonia, sulphate of, for manufacture of manure. Owner's risk | E |
| Ammunition, not otherwise specified. Double rate. Owner's risk. <i>Dangerous</i> | A |
| Anchors and Chain Cables | D |
| Animals, living, not otherwise specified. In crates or cases. Owner's risk | A |
| Animals and Birds, stuffed | See Regulation 10, Part II |
| Antimony, smelted | C |
| Anvils | D |
| Aphistine | A |
| Arrowroot, packed | A |
| Arsenic, packed | A |
| Asbestos | C |