

*Conditions and Regulations imposed in respect of the New Zealand Government Railways open for Traffic.*

IN pursuance of all powers and authorities enabling me under the Government Railways Act, 1908, and its amendments, and of all other powers enabling me in this behalf, I, Joseph Gordon Coates, Minister of Railways, do hereby amend the scale of charges in force on the New Zealand Government Railways open for traffic made on the 10th day of August, 1925, by adding to Part II thereof the following regulation:—

14A. CASH ON DELIVERY ("C.O.D.") PARCELS TRAFFIC.

1. Subject to the conditions here following, the Department undertakes to collect from the consignee the price or value of any parcel or parcels, as specified by the consignor, but not exceeding a sum of £25 in respect of any one consignment. Parcels consigned under the provisions of this regulation are hereinafter referred to as "C.O.D." parcels.

2. "C.O.D." parcels will be conveyed between any two officered stations (including stations between which the system of through booking between separate sections of railway is in operation) in this regulation referred to as "the forwarding station" and "the destination station" respectively.

3. The consignor must hand the parcel or parcels (legibly marked with the name and full address of the consignee) to the receiving officer at the forwarding station, together with the Department's form of consignment note properly filled in, showing on its face, in addition to the usual particulars, the sum which the consignee shall pay to the Department, before he shall be entitled to obtain delivery of the consignment. The consignor must also at the same time furnish to the receiving officer a statement of accounts in duplicate showing—

- (a.) The name, occupation, and address of the consignee.  
(b.) A general description of the goods comprised in the consignment, and the price to be paid therefor.

4. The railage and other charges must be paid either by the consignor or the consignee.

5. The consignee of any "C.O.D." parcel will be entitled to obtain delivery thereof only on payment of the price as stipulated by the consignor as endorsed on consignment note, together with the proper railage and other charges (if any) payable thereon. Delivery will be given at the destination-station premises, except at places where the Department delivers parcels at the consignee's address under a delivery system. Under no circumstances will the consignee be permitted to examine any parcel or parcels before paying to the Department the value of same as specified by the consignor.

6. Commission on the sum collected from the consignee will be charged at the following rates:—

(a.) Up to and including £1	..	..	s. d.
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(b.) Each additional £1 or fraction thereof	..	..	0 6

The amount of such commission will be deducted from the sum so collected, and the Stationmaster at the forwarding station or other officer of the Department, will, with all convenient speed, after payment has been made by the consignee, pay over the balance to the consignor.

7. "C.O.D." parcels not taken delivery of by the consignee within one month (or such less period as may have been specified by the consignor) from the date of their arrival at the destination station will be returned to the forwarding station for redelivery to the consignor, who shall pay to the Department 1s. in respect of each consignment in addition to the proper railage charges. "C.O.D." parcels will be allowed free storage for seven days after arrival at destination station. After the expiration of that period 3d. per week or part of a week may be charged on each parcel.

8. Except as herein provided, any by-laws and regulations made under the Government Railways Act, 1908, and the conditions printed on the consignment note will apply to the carriage of "C.O.D." parcels.

As witness my hand, this 8th day of December, 1925.

J. G. COATES, Minister of Railways.

*Special Order made by the Cook County Council altering Riding Boundaries.*

Department of Internal Affairs,  
Wellington, 24th November, 1925.

THE following special order, made by the Cook County Council, is published in accordance with the provisions of the Counties Act, 1920.

Pursuant to section 100 of that Act, as amended by section 3 of the Counties Amendment Act, 1921-22, I hereby fix

the 31st day of March, 1926, as the date from which the special order shall take effect.

RICHD. F. BOLLARD,  
Minister of Internal Affairs.

COOK COUNTY COUNCIL.

*Special Order.*

A SPECIAL order of the Cook County Council made at a special meeting held in the chambers, Childers Road, Gisborne, on Wednesday, 16th day of September, 1925, and confirmed at a subsequent meeting held on the 21st day of October, 1925:—

*Resolution.*—That the Cook County Council proceed, by the powers vested in it by the Counties Act, 1920, and the amendments thereto, to alter the boundaries of the Patutahi and Hangaroa Ridings of the County of Cook by including in the Patutahi Riding, and taking from the Hangaroa Riding, part Lot I (D.P. 1243) of Okahuatui 2A, containing 2,973 acres 2 roods 36 perches, and Okahuatui 2B containing 99 acres 2 roods 39 perches.

CHAS. MATTHEWS, Chairman.  
F. T. ROBINSON, Clerk.

*Patutahi Riding.*—All that area in the Cook County bounded towards the north generally by Waikohu County from the north-eastern boundary of Subdivision 1 of Okahuatui No. 2 Block to the Waipaoa River; thence towards the east generally by the Gisborne Riding, as described in *New Zealand Gazette*, 1909, Vol. II, page 2588, to the confluence of the Waipaoa and Maraetaha Rivers; thence towards the south generally by the said Maraetaha River to the north-eastern corner of Section 95, Block XI, Patutahi Survey District; thence by that section, across a road, and by Sections 98 and 100, said Block XI, to the Waimata Stream; thence by that stream and the Waimata Native Reserve to the road on its western boundary; thence towards the west generally by the road forming the western boundary of Section 104 in Blocks VI and X, Patutahi Survey District, and the road forming the northern boundary of that section to the south-eastern corner of Section 105, Block VI aforesaid; thence by the last-mentioned section, Section 108, and the road forming the northern boundaries of Sections 108 and 106 to the south-western corner of Section 114 in Blocks II and VI, Patutahi Survey District; thence by the western and north-western boundaries of the last-mentioned section and the western boundary of Section 120, Block II aforesaid, to the southern boundary of Lot 3 of Okahuatui No. 2A Block (D.P. No. 2080); thence by the eastern and north-eastern boundaries of the said Lot 3, by the eastern and northern boundaries of Lot 2, and by the northern boundary of Subdivision 1 of Okahuatui No. 2 Block (D.P. No. 526), to the north-east corner of Subdivision 1, Okahuatui No. 2 Block; thence by the northern boundary of the said Subdivision 1 to the place of commencement.

This order is sufficient to render the amended boundaries capable of identification.

E. H. FARNIE, for Chief Surveyor.

15th October, 1925.

*Hangaroa Riding.*—All that area in the Cook County commencing on the northern boundary of the Wairoa County at the south-eastern corner of Lot 5 of Mangapoike No. 2A 3 (D.P. No. 1939), situated in Block III, Opoiti Survey District, proceeding in a north-easterly direction by the south-eastern boundary of Lot 1, Mangapoike No. 2 Block, to the Mangaorangi Stream; thence northerly by the centre of that stream to the southern boundary of S.G.R. 79A; thence in an easterly direction by the southern boundary of the said S.G.R. 79A and by the southern boundary of Whakaongaonga No. 1 Block to the south-east corner of Section 1, Block XIII, Patutahi Survey District; thence in a north-easterly direction by the south-eastern boundary of the said Section 1 and by the south-eastern boundary of Section 1, Block XIV, Patutahi Survey District, to the southern boundary of Subdivision 4, Waimata Native Reserve; thence westerly by the northern boundary of the aforementioned Section 1, Block XIV, and by the northern boundary of Section 1, Block IX, Patutahi Survey District, to Parikanapa Trig. Station; thence in a north-easterly direction by the south-eastern boundary of Section 6, Block IX, Patutahi Survey District, to a public road to the south-west corner of Patutahi Riding; thence in a northerly direction by the western boundary of the said Patutahi Riding, hereinbefore described, to the southern boundary of the Waikohu County; thence in a south-westerly direction by the south-eastern boundary of the aforesaid Waikohu County to the north-eastern boundary of the Wairoa County; thence in a south-easterly direction by the north-