

"Provided that the edges of the tire may be bevelled or rounded to the extent in the case of each edge of not more than half an inch, measured as the shortest straight line across the width of the surface of the bevelled or rounded portion:

"Provided also that if the tire is constructed of separate plates the plates may be separated by parallel spaces which shall be disposed throughout the outer surface of the tire so that nowhere shall the aggregate extent of the space or spaces in the course of a straight line drawn horizontally across the circumference of the wheel exceed one-eighth part of the width of the tire.

"(7.) No person shall operate any motor-lorry having any tires which, if not of a soft or elastic material, are not smooth and flat (to the extent aforesaid and subject to the foregoing proviso), or which, if constructed of separate plates, have spaces greater than the spaces hereinbefore prescribed."

12. Clause 2 of Regulation 5 of the said regulations is hereby amended by revoking the words "and Class P," and substituting in lieu thereof the words "Class P and Class Q."

13. Regulation 9 of the said regulations is amended by adding thereto the following additional clauses:—

"(8.) Notice of any prohibition under clause (4) of this regulation shall be given by the controlling authority at least seven days before the commencement of the specified period, or the first of the specified periods, by means of a statement conveying the general effect of the prohibition published in some newspaper circulating in the district to which the matter of the notice relates, and if there is no such newspaper then by a printed or written placard posted in some conspicuous place on the road or street affected by such notice."

"(9.) No person shall operate any motor-lorry, the use of which for the time being has been prohibited by a controlling authority under clause (4) of this regulation."

14. Clause (7) of Regulation 10 of the said regulations is hereby amended by revoking all the words after the words "New Zealand."

15. Clause (10) of Regulation 10 of the said regulations is hereby amended by adding thereto the following words: "and such copy shall be available for all purposes for which the original license could have been available under these regulations."

16. Clause (1) of Regulation 11 of the said regulations is hereby amended by inserting after the words "Class P" the words "or Class Q."

17. Regulation 11 of the said regulations is hereby further amended by adding after clause (5) thereof the following additional clause:—

"(5A.) The license fee for any motor-lorry in Class C or any heavier class fitted with super-resilient tires on all wheels shall be five per centum less than the fees hereinbefore set out. A super-resilient tire is a tire not being a pneumatic tire but composed of a soft or elastic material and of a kind, brand, or description certified by the Minister by notice published in the *New Zealand Gazette* as being a super-resilient tire for the purposes of the Motor-lorry Regulations, 1925.

18. Regulation 11 of the said regulations is hereby further amended by adding thereto the following additional clauses:—

"(10.) In any case in which a tractor with one trailer attached thereto has been licensed as one motor-lorry pursuant to clause (2) of Regulation 1 hereof, such tractor may be used with any other trailer subject to the following conditions:—

"(a.) If such other trailer is fitted with tires of a kind in respect of which no greater license-fee would have been payable, and if in respect of the gross weight of tractor, trailer, and load no greater license fee would have been payable had the original license been granted in respect of such tractor and the other trailer, then no other license fee shall be payable and no further license shall be required.

"(b.) If such other trailer is fitted with tires of a kind in respect of which a greater license fee would have been payable, or if in respect of the gross weight of such tractor, trailer, and load a greater license fee would have been payable had the original license been granted in respect of such tractor and the other trailer, then a further license shall be obtained in accordance with the provisions of this regulation, and the fee payable for such further license shall be the amount by which the license fee payable under an original license granted in respect of such tractor and the other trailer exceeds the license fee actually paid.

"(11.) If during the continuance of a license any motor-lorry is so fitted with tires that a greater license fee than the fee actually paid would have been payable had the motor-lorry been so fitted at the time of the issue of the license, then such license shall be void and of no effect until payment to a licensing authority of the difference between the fee

already paid and the fee that would in such event have been payable, and until endorsement on the license under the hand of the Clerk of the licensing authority of a statement of the amount so paid and of the alteration in tires by reason of which the same has become payable."

19. Clause (5) of Regulation 13 of the said regulations is hereby amended by inserting after paragraph (d) thereof the following additional paragraph:—

"(dd.) The length of metalled or hard-surfaced roads existing in the districts of the respective local authorities: For the purposes of this clause metalled or hard-surfaced roads includes a punice road, a gravelled road, a metalled road (sealed, penetrated, or otherwise), a bituminous-concrete road or a cement-concrete road constructed in each case to the satisfaction of the Minister, and roads includes streets."

20. Regulation 13 of the said regulations is hereby further amended by revoking clause (9) thereof, and adding thereto the following clauses:—

"(9.) For the purpose of distributing the license fees there shall be within each heavy-traffic district one distributing authority which shall be such one of the licensing authorities within the heavy-traffic district as may be mutually agreed upon by such local authorities as aforesaid, or, in default of agreement, as may be nominated by a Magistrate on the application of any of those local authorities.

"(10.) Every licensing authority within the heavy-traffic district shall within ten days after the last day of each of the months of March, June, September, and December in each year remit to the distributing authority all license fees received by it up to and including such respective last-mentioned dates and not previously so remitted.

"(11.) Every distributing authority shall within one month after the respective dates mentioned in the last preceding clause hereof account to every local authority within the heavy-traffic district concerned for all moneys payable to such local authority under this regulation up to and including the respective dates aforesaid:

"Provided always that, if no agreement or order for apportionment of such moneys is in force upon any such respective date, it shall be sufficient if the distributing authority accounts as aforesaid within one month after the making of such agreement or order."

21. Heavy-traffic Districts 18 and 19, as defined in the Schedule to the said regulations, are hereby amalgamated and shall, on and after the 1st day of April, 1926, be known as Heavy-traffic District 19.

F. D. THOMSON,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

(P.W. 62/26/2.)

Apportionment of Representation on Picton and Wairau Hospital Boards.

CHARLES FERGUSSON, Governor-General.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government Buildings at Wellington, this 22nd day of March, 1926.

Present:

THE RIGHT HONOURABLE J. G. COATES, P.C., PRESIDING IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS from time to time, by Order in Council made under the Hospitals and Charitable Institutions Act, 1909 (hereinafter called "the said Act"), and particularly by Order in Council made on the ninth day of March, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-three, and published in the *New Zealand Gazette* on the twenty-second day of March, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-three, at page 773, regulations have been made with respect to the constitution of Hospital Boards, and the election of representatives of contributory local authorities thereon, and apportionments have been made with regard to the representation of such contributory local authorities:

And whereas it is desirable or necessary to make fresh arrangements in respect of the matters hereinafter appearing:

And whereas by Proclamation under the Counties Act, 1920, made on the seventeenth day of October, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-three, and published in the *New Zealand Gazette* on the eighteenth day of October, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-three, at page 2611, the said Counties Act was brought into force in the County of Marlborough:

And whereas certain road districts, being previously contributory districts of the Wairau Hospital District, have become merged in the said County of Marlborough: