

(2.) The owner of a manufacturing dairy shall in every case where branding is required by this clause use the appropriate brand so as correctly to indicate the class of dairy-produce to which it refers.

43. No person shall export, or attempt to export, or be concerned in exporting, any butter or cheese that is in packages which do not bear in clear and indelible figures the true net weight of the contents at the time of grading.

44. All branding and marking in the case of milled butter, whey butter, dairy butter, dairy cheese, or modified-milk cheese (except actual shipping-marks) shall be in red colour, and all branding in the case of other classes of dairy-produce shall be in some dark colour other than red.

NATIONAL BRAND.

45. Upon each end of every package containing creamery butter or full-cream factory cheese for export graded as finest or first grade shall be placed the national brand described in clause 49.

46. No person shall export or cause or permit to be exported in a package bearing the national brand any butter or cheese other than creamery butter or full-cream factory cheese graded as finest or first grade unless the national brand has first been cancelled by means of an indelible stamp-impression approximately 6 in. long and 2 in. wide and consisting of seven red bars each approximately 6 in. long and $\frac{3}{8}$ in. wide.

47. The national brand shall be used in conjunction with the marks and brands provided for in subclause (1) or (3) of clause 41, subparagraphs (a) and (b) of subclause (1) of clause 42, and clause 43.

48. The national brand shall be so placed on any package by means of an impressed die, or by some other approved means, and shall be coloured in the same manner as the brands provided for in clause 44.

49. The national brand shall consist of a design of a fern-leaf, bearing the words "New Zealand," substantially in the manner shown in the form numbered 11 in the Schedule hereto.

GENERAL PROHIBITIONS AS TO BRANDING AND MARKING.

50. (1.) For the purpose of this clause the branding or marking of dairy-produce shall be deemed to extend to and include the branding or marking of any package containing dairy-produce.

(2.) It shall not be lawful—

(a.) For the owner of a registered dairy to allow his registered brand to be used for the purpose of branding any dairy-produce that has been manufactured elsewhere than in his registered dairy.

(b.) For any person other than the owner of a registered dairy to use such owner's registered brand for the purpose of branding any dairy-produce that has been manufactured elsewhere than in such registered owner's dairy.

(c.) Except in the case of the owner of a registered dairy, and in accordance with these regulations, for any person to brand any dairy-produce with the words, or any combination or abbreviation of the words, "New Zealand," "Creamery," "Factory," "Dairy," or "Whey."

(d.) For the owner of a registered dairy to include in his registered brand, or for any person to stamp or mark on dairy-produce for export, any words indicative of high quality, such as "Choicest," "Choice," "Superfine," or "Superior."

(e.) Except as provided for in these regulations, for any person to use or cause or permit to be used any words, figures, characters, design, or other marks whatever within the outermost limits of the space occupied by the brands, words, figures, and marks other than date, vat, and churning numbers, required by these regulations to be placed upon any package containing or intended to contain dairy-produce for export.

STANDARD EXPORT BUTTER-BOXES.

51. No person, whether as principal or agent, shall, excepting with the prior written consent of the Minister, export, or pack for export, beyond New Zealand any butter except in standard boxes—that is to say, rectangular boxes complying with the following requirements:—

(a.) The inside dimensions shall be 15 $\frac{3}{4}$ in. long, 10 $\frac{1}{4}$ in. wide, and 11 $\frac{1}{4}$ in. deep, and the sides, tops, and bottoms shall be of timber $\frac{1}{2}$ in. in thickness; or

(b.) The inside dimensions shall be 15 $\frac{1}{2}$ in. long, 10 $\frac{3}{8}$ in. wide, and 10 $\frac{7}{8}$ in. deep, and the sides, tops, and bottoms shall be of timber less than $\frac{1}{2}$ in. in thickness.

(c.) The minimum thickness of the ends of all boxes other than those of the Saranac type shall be—

(i.) $\frac{1}{2}$ in. if of silver-beech; or

(ii.) $\frac{3}{8}$ in. if of timber other than silver-beech.

(d.) The outside measurements and the binding shall be as approved.

(e.) The ends, sides, tops, and bottoms shall be single pieces of timber: provided that matched boards, glued or lock-jointed together, shall be regarded as single pieces.

(f.) The ends shall be planed smooth on the outside, or of veneer finish. The outer surfaces of the sides, tops, and bottoms, and the inner surfaces of the ends, shall be planed smooth, cut with a fine band-saw, or of veneer finish.

(g.) The timber shall all be well seasoned, and free from cracks, loose knots, pockets of resin, and other defects capable of allowing the contents to suffer damage.

(h.) No nails other than cement-coated nails shall be used.

(i.) The outsides shall be clean.

STANDARD EXPORT CHEESE-CRATES.

52. No person whether as principal or agent shall, excepting with the prior written consent of the Minister, export, or pack for export, beyond New Zealand any Cheddar cheese except in standard crates—that is to say, crates which—

(a.) Are suitable to contain two full-cream cheeses of approximately eighty pounds weight each;

(b.) Have twelve sides of which each contiguous pair forms a similar angle; and

(c.) Comply with the following requirements:—

(i.) The ends shall be of timber planed smooth on the outside, and shall, after dressing, be not less than $\frac{3}{8}$ in. thick. Each crate shall have a centre board, which shall not be less than $\frac{1}{2}$ in. thick. The ends and centre boards shall measure not less than 15 in. between each opposite pair of sides.

(ii.) The sides shall be made of battens, which shall be 27 $\frac{1}{2}$ in. long, not less than 3 in. nor more than 3 $\frac{1}{4}$ in. wide, and not less than $\frac{3}{8}$ in. nor more than $\frac{1}{2}$ in. thick; the outer edges of the battens shall be chamfered. The height of the cheese shall be such as will allow of an air-space $\frac{1}{4}$ in. deep at one end of each cheese; and all cheese shall be so crated that each shall have over the whole of one of its ends an air-space of at least the afore-mentioned depth. Each batten shall be secured to each end board, and to the centre board, with cement-coated nails.

(iii.) The crates shall be bound at each end and at the centre either with non-rusting wire secured with staples or with other approved binding.

(iv.) The timber shall all be well seasoned, and free from cracks, loose knots, pockets of resin, and other defects capable of allowing the contents to suffer damage.

(v.) One or more scale-boards shall be placed at each end of each cheese.

(vi.) The outsides shall be clean.

WRAPPING BUTTER FOR EXPORT.

53. No person, whether as principal or agent, shall, excepting with the prior written consent of the Minister, export, or pack for export, beyond New Zealand any butter unless it is wrapped with two thicknesses of vegetable-parchment paper of the best quality and weighing not less than twenty-eight pounds per ream. Such parchment paper shall be free from loading with glucose or other soluble matter.

PORTS AND GRADING-STORES.

54. The ports of Auckland, Gisborne, Napier, New Plymouth, Patea, Wanganui, Wellington, Lyttelton, Timaru, Dunedin, and Bluff are hereby appointed to be the only ports at which butter or cheese may lawfully be exported.

55. The buildings specified in this clause, not including any substantial additions that may be made to such buildings after the gazetted of these regulations, unless the use of such additions has been first approved, are hereby appointed to be stores for the storage, cooling, freezing, examination, and grading of butter or cheese prior to export; that is to say, the following buildings:—

The three stores of the Auckland Farmers' Freezing Company (Limited) at Auckland, Southdown, and Horotiu; the store of the Gisborne Sheep-farmers' Frozen Meat Company (Limited) at Gisborne; the store of J. J. Niven and Co. (Limited) at Port Ahuriri; the store of the Taranaki Producers' Freezing Company (Limited) at Moturoa; the store of the West Coast Refrigerating Company (Limited) at Patea; the Wanganui Cold Storage Company's store at Castle-cliff; the Wellington Harbour Board's No. 27 store at Wellington; the two stores of the Co-operative Dairy-Producers' Freezing Company (Limited) at Wellington; the Lyttelton Harbour Board's cold store at Lyttelton; the store of the New Zealand Farmers' Co-operative Association (Limited) at Christchurch; the store of the New Zealand Refrigerating Company (Limited) at Smithfield; the store of the Otago