

Minister's Decisions under Customs Acts.

Customs Department, Wellington, 1st June, 1931.

IT is hereby notified for public information that the Hon. the Minister of Customs has decided to interpret the Customs Acts in relation to the undermentioned articles as follows:—

NOTES.—(a) "Not elsewhere included" appears as n.e.i.; "other kinds" as o.k.; "articles and materials suited for, and to be used solely in, the fabrication or repair of goods within New Zealand" as a. and m.s. (b) Articles marked thus † are revised decisions. (c) Wherever the General Tariff rate shown opposite any goods enumerated in these decisions is lower than that provided for in the First Schedule to the Customs Amendment Act, 1927, action has been taken by the Minister under section 11 of the Customs Amendment Act, 1927. In such cases the reduced rate is marked with an asterisk. (d) Steam-engines, gas-engines, oil-engines, and electric or other motors are not, unless otherwise indicated, to be regarded as parts of the machines with which they are imported.

Record.	Goods.	Classification under Tariff, and Item No	Rate of Duty.	
			British Preferential Tariff.	General Tariff.
	A. and m.s., viz. :— Chemicals, &c., used in manufactures, viz.— Lacquers, cellulose, &c., chemicals for making, viz.—			
4/293/6	Proxlin thinners, A.Q. 711 and A.Q. 1000, Acme White Lead and Colour Works, Newark, N.J., U.S.A., manufacturers	As a. and m.s. (448)	Free	10 per cent.
9/7/9	Tanners', &c., materials, viz.— "Irganol," a synthetic tannin	As a. and m.s. (448)	Free	Free.
7/101/9	Weaving, dyeing, &c., of textiles, materials used in, viz.— Colloidal Japan wax, a preparation used in water-proofing textiles	As a. and m.s. (448)	Free	Free.
8/26/4	Hats and caps, articles and materials used in the manufacture of, viz.— Straw plaits and similar materials, viz.— Hemp cloth on declaration by a manufacturer that it will be used by him solely in the manufacture of hats	As a. and m.s. (448)	Free	Free.
3/338/10	Iron and steel, articles of, viz.— "Bowls," stamped iron, not bored or otherwise worked, for use in the manufacture of "cabins" for petrol pumps	As a. and m.s. (448)	Free	10 per cent.
†3/603/3	Ribbon or spring steel, hardened and/or tempered (NOTE.—Revises decisions on ribbon steel for the manufacture of locks and ribbon steel (except Invar) for the manufacture of surveyors' steel tapes in M.O. 2.)	As a. and m.s. (448)	Free	20 per cent.
4/230/5	Bacteriological products, sera, and vaccines, viz. :— "Dust-Kote" inoculator, McQueen's, a bacterial preparation for producing prolific growth in leguminous plants	As bacteriological products, &c. (97)	Free	Free.
†5/4	Hats, caps, hat-hoods, n.e.i., and millinery, viz. :— Hoods, woven or plaited, unblocked, not sewn, cut, or otherwise worked, also such hoods partially blocked, not sewn, cut, or otherwise worked, as may be approved by the Minister, made from sisal, straw, hemp, rush, pandanus leaf, or other vegetable material (including paper imitations of same) on declaration that they will be blocked and used in the manufacture of hats in New Zealand. (NOTE.—Hoods in which the edge is stitched merely to prevent fraying are not to be regarded as sewn hoods.) (NOTE.—Revises decision in M.O. 20.)	As hat-hoods n.e.i. (164)	25 per cent.	25 per cent.*
4/3/14	Insecticides, &c., for agricultural uses, viz. :— "Kongo-Kiss" insecticide (Swifto Manfg. Co., Glasgow)	} As insecticides, &c., for agricultural uses (119)	Free	Free.
7/6/40	"Mayoline" spraying oil (Atlantic Union Oil Co.)			
14/15	Lamps, lanterns, and lampwick n.e.i., viz. :— Buoy lights, being hurricane lamps fitted with metal rings by means of which they can be hoisted up mast stays for use as mast head or riding lights	As lamps n.e.i.	20 per cent.	45 per cent.
2/19/11	Machinery, &c., viz. :— Agricultural n.e.i., viz.— Scythe, motor driven (NOTE.—The oil engine is to be separately classified under Tariff item 352.)	As agricultural machinery n.e.i. (333 (2))	Free	Free.
2/415	Dairying, viz.— Cutting, melting, and packing machines used in the manufacture and packing of soft cheese	As dairying machinery n.e.i. (334 (2))	Free	Free.

* Under section 11, Customs Amendment Act, 1927. *