

GOODS—*continued.*REGULATIONS—*continued.*

80. Class R.

1. The minimum load of New Zealand brown coal chargeable at the Class R rate will be as follows:—

	Per M Truck.	Per Four- wheeled Truck, n.o.s.	Per LA or RD Truck.	Per R Truck.	Per RB Truck.
New Zealand brown coal	Tons. 5	Tons. 6	Tons. 9	Tons. 14	Tons. 20

2. Except where otherwise specified, any less quantity than the minimum specified in each case will be charged at such minimum or at the classified rates for Class E (rate and a half).

3. The Department may require loading or unloading to be performed by the owner. For each loading or unloading performed by the Department 1s. 5d. per ton will be charged. When cramage is provided 9d. per ton only will be charged for each loading or unloading performed by the Department together with the proper charge for cramage.

81. Horses (Racehorses, Hunters, Polo-ponies, &c.).

1. The Department does not undertake to forward horses by any particular train. The owners of horses must provide means of securing them in the horse-box, and the Department will not be responsible for any injuries sustained through their breaking loose or otherwise, nor will it undertake to carry unbroken or vicious horses.

2. Horses must be loaded and unloaded by the owners at their own risk and responsibility. Except as may be otherwise arranged by the Department they must be loaded and consigned not less than half an hour before the due time of departure of the train by which they are intended to be conveyed in each case.

3. Requisitions for trucks for horses must be made at least twenty-four hours before the vehicles are required.

4. The Department reserves the right to load or have loaded into any truck the full number of horses which such truck is designed to carry. Where the owner desires and is allowed the exclusive use of a G wagon for one horse, pony, foal, mule, or ass, such animal will be charged at one-and-a-half times the rate that would otherwise be applicable thereto.

5. Horses will be charged as follows for conveyance by mixed or goods trains:—

	For any Distance not exceeding 10 Miles.	For every Mile after the First 10 Miles.
A single horse	s. d. 11 6	s. d. 0 5
Each additional horse belonging to the same owner ..	8 6	0 4

6. Except as otherwise provided, stallions, other than racing stallions in training, not under two years old will be charged rate and a half, but if allowed to travel in the same horse-box with an additional horse belonging to the same owner ordinary rates will be charged. For the purposes of this regulation each half of a UG truck shall be deemed to be a separate truck.

7. When separate horse-boxes are required for more than one stallion, other than a racing stallion in training, forming part of the same consignment, each such horse will be charged rate and a half of the single-horse rate as specified in paragraph 5 of this regulation.

8. Stallions travelling on circuit for stud purposes during the breeding season, whether requiring the exclusive use of a horse-box or not, will be charged from station to station at the same rate as an ordinary horse, provided a certificate in the following form, signed by the owner or groom in charge, is endorsed on the consignment-note:—

I hereby certify that the stallion [Name] entered hereon is
travelling from Station to Station on circuit for stud
purposes only.

9. Ponies not exceeding 14 hands in height, foals one year old and under mules and asses, will be charged two-thirds rate. Minimum charge as for one horse, except where a pony (not exceeding 14 hands in height), foal (one year old and under), mule, or ass is loaded and charged for in conjunction with another horse. Yearling animals (animals over one year and under two years) will be charged as horses notwithstanding such animals may be under 14 hands in height.

10. Horses, ponies, foals, mules, and asses, when conveyed in cattle-trucks will be charged at the classified truck rate for cattle or at the rate for horses, ponies, foals, mules, or asses (as the case may be) when conveyed in horse-boxes if cheaper.

11. Where a UG wagon is supplied at the request of the owner, for the conveyance of horses by other than an express, mail, or passenger train, the minimum charge will be as provided in paragraphs 12 and 13 of this regulation. Where more than two horses are forwarded the charges will be computed as for four horses at the rates specified in paragraph 5 of this regulation.