

LUGGAGE, PARCELS, ETC.

44. General Regulations re Passengers' Luggage.

1. Passengers' luggage received, held, or conveyed by railway will be subject to the conditions hereinafter set forth:—

Luggage shall be designated as follows:—

(a) Unchecked luggage—i.e., packages of every description, whether excessed or otherwise, which are conveyed as passengers' luggage and which are not checked as hereinafter provided.

(b) Checked luggage—i.e., packages of every description, whether excessed or otherwise, which are conveyed as passengers' luggage, for which the passenger holds a luggage-check as hereinafter provided.

2. Luggage to be forwarded from a station where a Stationmaster or porter is in charge and not required to be checked must be delivered at the railway-station from which the passenger is proceeding at least ten minutes before the due time of departure of the train by which it is to be conveyed.

3. Unchecked luggage to be forwarded from a station at which there is no Stationmaster or porter in charge must be taken to the guard's van, and be there handed to the guard of the train by which it is to be forwarded, immediately on arrival of the train at the station from which the luggage is to be conveyed.

4. Owners of unchecked luggage for a station at which there is no Stationmaster or porter in charge must in all cases present themselves at the guard's van while the train is standing at the station, and claim and take delivery of their luggage, failing which the luggage shall be treated as "lost luggage" and be taken to the next officered station and there stored at the risk and expense of the owner.

5. Unchecked luggage will not be delivered at any station short of the destination to which it is addressed and labelled. Passengers who desire to break the journey *en route* must have their luggage addressed and labelled to the station at which they intend to first take delivery.

6. No luggage will be allowed to be taken into the carriages unless it can be placed under the seat or in the rack of the carriage without inconvenience to other passengers; neither shall any person take into or carry in a railway-carriage any luggage which any officer of the Department may deem to be inconvenient or objectionable.

7. Railway employees are not permitted to act as agents, or to undertake the charge of or accept responsibility in respect to luggage left temporarily at a station unless the luggage has been booked and placed in the cloak-room.

8. Unchecked luggage will be carried solely at the risk of the owner.

9. The Department does not undertake to forward luggage of any description by any particular train, and will not be responsible for any luggage or parcels left about the station premises and not duly delivered to the custody of the Department. Luggage left at a station should be placed in the cloak-room.

10. Unchecked luggage not claimed immediately on arrival at destination station will be treated as lost luggage, and charged for accordingly.

11. The Department reserves to itself the right to refuse any articles which, from their bulky or objectionable character, it is inexpedient to carry as passengers' luggage. Packages exceeding 2 cwt. in weight or 20 cubic feet in measurement will not be accepted for conveyance as passengers' luggage; such packages must be consigned, and will be conveyed and charged for at parcels or goods rates as may be appropriate.

12. Except as provided in paragraph 13 of this regulation, unchecked luggage conveyed in guard's van, the property of passengers who are booked to a station beyond the end of the journey of the train by which they are travelling, may be labelled direct to destination station shown on passenger's ticket, and will be stored free of charge from time of arrival at the station where break of journey is necessitated until time of departure therefrom of the first available train by which the passenger can proceed direct to destination station. Nothing in this paragraph shall affect the liability of the Department as for unchecked luggage.

13. Unchecked luggage will not be accepted for the through journey from stations north of Wellington via Thorndon and Lambton stations or *vice versa*.

14. No person shall be entitled to send any luggage to any railway-station beyond the station of destination for which his ticket is available; nor, except as may be otherwise provided, shall any person send or carry as luggage any packages containing goods that are for sale or are other than his own *bona fide* property.

45. Checked Luggage.

1. Passengers may, at their option, have their luggage checked as follows:—

(a) Between any two stations on the same section of railway.

(b) Between stations north of Wellington via Thorndon and Lambton stations, or *vice versa*. Motor-bicycles will not be checked under the provisions of this subparagraph, and checked luggage will not be accepted for conveyance between Thorndon and Lambton or *vice versa* on Sundays.

(c) From any officered station on the North Island main line and branches including agencies at Symonds Street, Auckland, Karangahape Road, Auckland, except Wellington (Lambton or Thorndon), to any station on the South Island main line and branches, or on the Picton Section.

(d) From any officered station on the North Island Main line and branches, (including agencies at Symonds Street, Auckland, Karangahape Road, Auckland, except Wellington (Lambton or Thorndon), or on the South Island main line and branches, including Central Booking Office, Christchurch), except Bluff, to Stewart Island.