

Minister's Decisions under Customs Acts.

Customs Department, Wellington, 1st November, 1932.

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. (e) Surtax as provided for in section 5 of the Customs Acts Amendment Act, 1930, or primage duty as provided for in section 4 of the Customs Acts Amendment Act, 1931, as the case may be, is payable in addition to the duties set out hereunder.

Record.	Goods.	Classification under Tariff, and Item No.	Rate of Duty.	
			British Preferential Tariff.	General Tariff.
	A. and m.s., viz. :— Apparel, articles and materials for the manufacture of, viz.,—			
†5/78/2	Pyjama girdles and materials approved by the Minister for making pyjama girdles, on declaration by a manufacturer that they will be used by him only in the manufacture of pyjamas (NOTE.—Revises decisions on "Pyjama girdles" and "Pyjama-girdle material" on page 61 of the Tariff-book.)	As a. and m.s. (448) ..	Free ..	10 per cent.
3/299/6	Slides, metal, for use instead of buckles on the side straps of trousers	As a. and m.s. (448) ..	Free ..	10 per cent.
12/50/2	Artificial limbs, articles and materials for the manufacture of, viz.,— Rubber balls not exceeding 1 inch in diameter	As a. and m.s. (448) ..	Free ..	10 per cent.
4/389/4	Chemicals, &c., used in manufactures, viz.,— Weaving, dyeing, &c., of textiles, materials used in, viz.,— Methylene chloride, a solvent for grease; also used as an ingredient in paints	As a. and m.s. (448) ..	Free .	Free.
†7/42/10	Leonil S, Leonil SBS, and Leonil SBS paste highly concentrated, preparations used in scouring and dyeing solutions to promote "wetting out" (NOTE.—Revises decision in M.O. 47.)	As a. and m.s. (448) ..	Free ..	Free.
3/795	Rosettes for ornamenting mirrors and other glassware, each consisting of a metal rosette, bolt, nut, screw, and two washers	As a. and m.s. (448) ..	Free ..	20 per cent.
4/318	Chemicals, &c., for use as culture media, microscopic stains, &c., viz. :— Quinhydrone, an indicator used in testing yeast	As indicators for chemical analysis, &c. (107)	Free ..	Free.
20/127/4	Cordage, rope, and twine, n.e.i., viz. :— Jute twist, 2-ply, coloured, used by rope manufacturers for identification purposes (claimed as a. and m.s.)	As cordage, &c., n.e.i. (425) ..	20 per cent.	40 per cent.
2/523	Machinery, &c., and appliances :— Manufacturing, &c., viz.,— Drying machine for drying motor spirit or other tins by means of centrifugal force			
†3/656/2	Insulators and fittings therefor, viz.,— Bird guards of fibre, porcelain, or other material, being insulated perches to avoid interference with electric current transmission by birds (NOTE.—Revises decision on "Porcelain bird guards" on page 423 of the Tariff-book.)			
†2/68/9	Soap-making, viz.,— Chip cooling and drying machines for converting liquid soap stock into dried soap chips, including elevators, reduction gears with countershafts, and valves controlling the water supply to the rollers (NOTE.—Fans and pumps therefor are to be separately classified under their appropriate Tariff items.) (NOTE.—Revises decision on "Lehmann automatic cooling and drying plant" in M.O. 3.)	As machinery, &c., peculiar to use in manufacturing, industrial, and similar processes (352)	Free ..	25 per cent.
2/491/2	Washing machines, viz.,— Vibrating table, the "Wilfrey," for washing sand and removing heavy impurities therefrom			