

Minister's Decisions under Customs Acts.

Customs Department, Wellington, 11th December, 1939.

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) The rates of duty payable on goods set out hereunder have not been shown except in the case of goods classed under Tariff items 416, 448, and 449 (2), and of goods admitted (under the provisions of section 11 of the Customs Amendment Act, 1927) at a rate of duty lower than that provided for in the First Schedule to the Customs Acts Amendment Act, 1934. Where goods are admitted under the provisions of section 11 aforesaid, 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.	Classified under Tariff Item No.	Rate of Duty.	
			British Preferential Tariff.	General Tariff.
54-4/294/35	Antiseptics, viz. :— "Tabloid" Hexamine "Tabloid" Hexamine and Methylene Blue { Burroughs Wellcome and Co. (Aust.), Ltd.	100	..	..
54-12/6	A. and m.s., viz. :— Hearing-aid instruments, materials for manufacture of, viz.,— Plugs (terminals), positive and negative, and plug covers, on declaration that they will be used only in the manufacture or repair of hearing-aid appliances	448	Free	Free.
54-3/901	Iron and steel, articles of, viz.,— Stampings of black steel, not built up in any way and in the rough, on declaration by a manufacturer that they will be used by him only in the manufacture of panels for refrigerator cabinets	448	Free	10 per cent.
54-3/27/5	Jewellers' materials, viz.,— "Fashions" in the rough, for jewellers' use	448	Free	Free.
54-8/115	Textile piece-goods, viz.,— Artificial silk piece-goods, pleated or rucked, and backed with textile, on declaration by a manufacturer that they will be used by him only in the manufacture of ladies' hand bags	448	Free	15 per cent.
54-2/38/19	Timber, viz.,— Sitka spruce (<i>Picea sitchensis</i>) on declaration (a) by a manu- facturer or (b) by a responsible officer of a flying club or air transport company that it will be used by him only in the manufacture or repair of flying machines or (c) by indi- viduals, firms, or companies that they have been authorized and approved by the Controller of Civil Aviation to issue release notes in respect of the timber, and that the timber will be sold only to aircraft manufacturers, owners, or operators to be used only on flying machines	448	Free	Free.
54-17/7/6	Bricks, fire, viz. :— "KX. 99" (A. P. Green Firebrick Co., Missouri U.S.A.) ..	211 (1)	..	..
†54-3/508	Chemicals, drugs, druggists' sundries, &c., viz. :— Bed pans (of whatever material composed) (NOTE.—The decision on page 108 of the Tariff-book respecting "Bed pans" is cancelled.)	121 (1)	..	..
†54-4/332	Chlorinated hydrocarbons, n.e.i., viz. :— "Victoria Crystals MM & R" (NOTE.—Cancels decision on page 215 of the Tariff-book.)	105	..	..
†54-3/476/5	Machinery, &c., and appliances, viz. :— Agricultural, viz.,— Cultivators, viz.,— Cultivator shoe plates, being steel plate cut to shape, in the rough, peculiarly suited for the manufacture of cultivators (NOTE.—Cancels decision on page 22 of the Tariff-book.)	333 (1)	..	..
54-2/29/23	Manufacturing, industrial, &c., viz.,— Air compressing appliances, viz.,— Rings, steel, for multi-valves of air compressors	352	..	..
54-2/34/46	Clothing manufacturers' and other cloth-working machines, viz.,— Pinking machines, hand or power operated	352	..	..
54-2/388/4	Conveyors, viz.,— "Barber-Greene Selfo" conveyor loader, model 74	352	..	..
54-22/734/2	Cranes, viz.,— Electric overhead travelling cranes powered in two or more motions (a) having a track width (span) of more than 70 ft., or (b) having a rated lift of over 20 tons (NOTE.—The electric motors, controllers, wiring, collectors and wire ropes are to be separately classified under their appropriate Tariff items.)	352	..	..
54-301/19	Jib crane, "Le Tourneau" model J-2	352	..	..
54-3/649/17	Insulators, and fittings therefor, viz.,— Wood strain insulators (dumbell-shaped with metal fittings at each end)	352	..	..