

LUGGAGE, PARCELS, ETC.—*continued.*

10. Any person claiming delivery to him of any checked luggage, who may be unable to produce the check therefor owing to having lost such check, may be required to make, at his own cost, a statutory declaration setting forth the number of the luggage-check lost, the number and description of such package of which delivery is claimed, and such other information as the Department may require. He may be required to indemnify the Department against any loss or claim that may arise as a result of delivery to such person, and to furnish such other proofs of his title to delivery of such luggage as the Department may require, before such luggage shall be delivered. Should the information furnished by the claimant or proofs of title to delivery or the indemnity be deemed by the Department to be insufficient or unsatisfactory, delivery of the luggage may be withheld, and the Department shall not be liable for any inconvenience or loss that may result from delivery being so withheld. A search fee of 7d. will be made in respect of each luggage-check lost.

11. For each check issued for luggage to be conveyed on a continuous journey on one section of railway the charge will be 7d. For each check issued for luggage conveyed between stations on the South Island Main Line and Branches and Stewart Island the charge will be 10d.

12. For each check issued for luggage to be conveyed by railway and ship between stations in the North and South Islands, or *vice versa*, the charge, including cartage between rail and steamer at Wellington, will be 1s. 2d. For each check issued for luggage conveyed between stations on the North Island Main Line and Branches and Stewart Island, the charge, including cartage between rail and steamer at Wellington, will be 1s. 5d.

13. For each check issued for luggage to be conveyed between Dargaville and stations on the North Island Main Line and Branches the charge will be 1s. 2d. For each check issued for luggage to be conveyed between Dargaville and stations on the South Island Main Line and Branches or the Picton Section the charge will be 1s. 8d.

14. For each check issued for luggage to be conveyed to overseas vessels as provided for in paragraph 1, subclause (h), the charge will be as follows:—

From	To Overseas Vessel berthed at	Charge.
Stations on the North Island Main Line and Branches	Auckland or Wellington..	s. d. 1 9
Stations on the South Island Main Line and Branches or on the Picton Section	.. ..	2 4
Stations on the North Island Main Line and Branches or on the Picton Section	Lyttelton, Port Chalmers, Dunedin, or Bluff	2 4
Stations on the South Island Main Line and Branches	Ditto .. ..	1 9

15. The following provisions of this paragraph apply to luggage which requires to be transported by the Wellington-Lyttelton steamer express and the Wellington-Picton ferry service. Checked luggage may comprise ordinary luggage, including perambulators or go-carts, accompanying passengers, subject to the provisions of paragraph 3 of this regulation. Bicycles (pedal), and sewing-machines, accompanying passengers, may be checked, subject to the charges provided in paragraphs 15 and 16 of Regulation 46 being paid. Fruit or other merchandise, packed in suitable containers, accompanying passengers, may be checked subject to the freight charges at the goods rates provided in paragraphs 15 and 16 of Regulation 46 being paid. Cardboard boxes, fragile packages, and live animals (including poultry), will not be accepted for checking between the North and South Islands. Motor-bicycles accompanying passengers may be checked subject to the provisions of Regulation 53. In addition to the shipping company's charges and wharfage at the ports, as provided in paragraphs 15 and 16 of Regulation 46, a charge of 2s. 3d. per motor-cycle and 4s. 5d. per motor-cycle with side-car will be made for cartage between Wellington wharf and station. A motor-bicycle with side-car attached will not be accepted for checking under the provisions of this regulation.

16. Only passenger's *bona fide* personal luggage will be accepted for checking to Stewart Island. Cases of fruit, stores, live animals, cardboard boxes and suchlike articles will not be so accepted.

17. Checked luggage not claimed within three months after arrival at destination station may be sold.

18. Checked luggage for officered stations, or flag-stations where there is a porter in charge, and not claimed on arrival at such station will be stored free for one month from date of arrival at destination station. Checked luggage for a flag-station at which there is no porter in charge and not claimed while the train is standing at the flag-station will be taken to the next station at which there is a Stationmaster, and will be stored free for one month from date of arrival at such last-mentioned station. After the expiry of that period storage will be charged for at the rate of 1s. 2d. per week or part of a week for each package. Motor-bicycles or motor-bicycles with side-cars will be stored free for the day of arrival only. After the expiration of that period storage will be charged at the rate of 7d. per day for each motor-bicycle and 1s. 2d. per day for each motor-bicycle with side-car.

19. In this regulation, unless inconsistent with the context or otherwise provided,—

“Shipping company” or “road motor service” means and includes any person, firm, or company with which or with whom the Department may, for the time being, have an agreement or arrangement for the checking of luggage for conveyance by rail or by any service of such person, firm, or company:

“Luggage” includes luggage as defined in paragraph 1 of Regulation 46, and any package or thing that may lawfully be checked as luggage.