

"Certified seed potatoes" means seed potatoes that have been certified as "mother seed" or as "commercial seed" in accordance with the scheme for the certification of seed potatoes that is in operation under the control of the Department of Agriculture; and "uncertified seed potatoes" includes all seed potatoes that have not been so certified:

"Distributor", in relation to any lot of potatoes, means a wholesaler, as defined in the said regulations, who sells those potatoes otherwise than to a retailer for purposes of retail sale:

"Group", in relation to certified seed potatoes, means the group into which any potatoes have been classified by the Department of Agriculture in accordance with its scheme for the certification of seed potatoes:

"Grower", in relation to potatoes, means a person engaged in the business of growing potatoes for sale:

"Seed potatoes" includes all potatoes that are sold as seed potatoes, and also includes all potatoes that are deemed to be seed potatoes in accordance with the provisions of clause 5 of this Order:

The expression "f.o.r.s.i." means "free on rail, sacks or other containers included."

(2) Terms and expressions defined in the said regulations and used in this Order have the meanings severally assigned thereto by those regulations.

3. Subject to any general or specific directions that may be given by or on behalf of the Tribunal, any expenses that are reasonably incurred by a distributor, wholesaler, or retailer in undertaking the transport of any potatoes at his own expense, not exceeding in any case the cost that would have been incurred by him if delivery had been effected by a common carrier at current freight rates, may be regarded for the purposes of this Order as if they were transport charges paid by him, and the maximum price of the potatoes shall be determined accordingly.

APPLICATION OF THIS ORDER

4. (1) This Order applies only to seed potatoes of the 1942-43 season.

(2) Except as otherwise provided herein, this Order applies to all such seed potatoes that (whether sold before or after the date of the coming into force of this Order) are delivered to the purchaser on or after the said date.

(3) In its application to growers' prices, this Order applies only to seed potatoes of the 1942-43 season that are grown in the South Island.

(4) In its application to distributors' prices, wholesalers' prices, and retailers' prices, this Order does not apply to any seed potatoes which have been specially hand-picked in a distributor's or wholesaler's store in the South Island and which are sold in lots exceeding 1½ cwt. in any case, but applies to all other seed potatoes of the 1942-43 season grown anywhere in New Zealand.

(5) Nothing in this Order applies with respect to imported potatoes.

5. For the purposes of this Order all potatoes included in any one lot shall be deemed to be seed potatoes if in any sample of one hundred potatoes taken at random from such lot more than fifteen of those potatoes can be passed through a square of which the sides have an inside measurement of 2 in.

Growers' Prices

6. (1) The price to be charged by growers for any potatoes to which this Order applies shall be determined in accordance with the following provisions of this clause.

(2) Where any such potatoes are delivered by the grower f.o.r.s.i. any station in the South Island the basic price shall be computed in accordance with the scale set forth in the Schedule hereto, and the actual price for any such potatoes shall be the basic price, increased or reduced, if necessary and as the case may require, in accordance with the following provisions of this clause.

(3) The basic price fixed in the Schedule hereto for certified "mother seed" potatoes is fixed as for potatoes classified in Group 4.

(4) The basic price fixed in the Schedule hereto for certified "commercial seed" potatoes is fixed as for potatoes classified in Group 7.

(5) For seed potatoes classified in a higher group than Group 4 or Group 7, as the case may be, a premium of 5s. a ton shall be charged for each upward step in the classification.

(6) If in any sample of one hundred potatoes taken at random from any lot of seed potatoes sold by a grower more than eight of those potatoes weigh less than 2 oz. each, the price of the lot, computed in accordance with the foregoing provisions of this clause, shall be reduced by an amount computed at the rate of £1 a ton.

Distributors' Prices

7. (1) The price that may be charged by any distributor for any seed potatoes to which this Order applies shall not exceed the sum of the following amounts:—

(a) The price actually paid or payable to the grower by the same or any other distributor:

(b) Any grading, transport, or other charges (not including brokerage) actually paid by the same or any other distributor:

(c) An amount computed at the rate of 5 per cent. of the sum of the amounts specified in paragraphs (a) and (b) hereof, or at the rate of 10s. a ton (whichever is the greater):

(d) Any disbursements actually incurred by the same or any other distributor by way of brokerage, not exceeding in the aggregate 2½ per cent. of the sum of the amounts specified in paragraphs (a), (b), and (c) hereof.

(2) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Order, the provisions of this clause as to the computation of distributors' prices shall apply with respect to every sale by a person who is ordinarily engaged in business as a distributor to a person who is ordinarily engaged in business as a wholesaler, notwithstanding that in any such case the purchaser may sell by way of retail any potatoes acquired by him from the distributor.

Wholesalers' and Retailers' Prices

8. (1) When any seed potatoes to which this Order applies are sold for cash by any wholesaler or by any retailer in lots exceeding 1½ cwt., the price that may be charged or received by the wholesaler or retailer shall not exceed the sum of the following amounts:—

(a) The price actually paid or payable by the wholesaler or the retailer, as the case may be, to the grower or any other person:

(b) An amount not exceeding 2s. 6d. a ton in respect of any potatoes actually received into the wholesaler's or retailer's store, together with any grading, transport, or other charges actually paid by the wholesaler or retailer:

(c) An amount equal to 2½ per cent. of the sum of the amounts specified in paragraphs (a) and (b) hereof (to cover the estimated loss due to shrinkage and other natural causes), and a further amount equal to 1¼ per cent. of the said sum in respect of potatoes actually received into store:

(d) An amount computed at the rate of £1 15s. a ton (in respect of seed potatoes sold in lots exceeding 1½ cwt., but less than a ton), and computed at the rate of £1 a ton for lots of 1 ton or more.

(2) Where any potatoes to which this Order applies are sold for cash by any wholesaler or retailer in lots of 7 lb., or 14 lb., or 28 lb., or 56 lb., or 112 lb., or 168 lb., the price shall not in any case exceed:—

	s.	d.
For 7 lb. lots	2	3
For 14 lb. lots	4	3
For 28 lb. lots	7	6
For 56 lb. lots	13	0
For 112 lb. lots	21	0
For 168 lb. lots	31	6

(3) Where any such potatoes are sold for cash by any wholesaler or retailer in any lot exceeding 7 lb. but otherwise than in a lot of the actual weight specified in the last preceding subclause, the maximum price per pound of any surplus over 7 lb. or over any multiple of 7 lb. (being less in every case than 7 lb.) shall be 4d.

(4) Notwithstanding anything in the foregoing provisions of this clause the wholesale or retail cash price of any potatoes to which this Order applies shall not in any case exceed 4d. per lb.

(5) When any seed potatoes to which this Order applies are sold by a wholesaler or a retailer otherwise than for cash, the maximum prices fixed by the foregoing provisions of this clause may be increased in accordance with trade custom.

SCHEDULE

BASIC PRICES TO BE CHARGED BY GROWERS FOR SEED POTATOES TO WHICH THIS ORDER APPLIES

Varieties.	Certified "Mother" Seed.	Certified "Commercial" Seed.	Uncertified Seed.
	Per Ton. £ s. d.	Per Ton. £ s. d.	Per Ton. £ s. d.
A. Chippewa, Doon Early, Dunbar Standard, Katahdin	14 0 0	12 10 0	9 5 0
B. Arran Consul, Arran Banner, Arran Pilot, Aucklander Short Top, Aucklander Tall Top, Catriona, Cliffs Kidney, Epicure, Jersey Bennes, King Edward, Majestic, Robin Adair, Up-to-date, and other varieties not specified elsewhere	13 0 0	11 10 0	9 5 0
C. Arran Chief, Dakota, Inverness Favourite, Iron Duke, Northern Star (Gamekeeper)	11 0 0	9 15 0	8 15 0

Dated at Wellington, this 21st day of July, 1943.

The Seal of the Price Tribunal was affixed hereto in the presence of—

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W. J. HUNTER, (Judge), President.
H. L. WISE, Member.