

Price Order No. 920 (Wholesale Groceries and Other Goods)

PURSUANT to the powers conferred on it by the Control of Prices Act, 1947, the Price Tribunal, acting with the authority of the Minister of Industries and Commerce, doth hereby make the following Order:—

1. This Order may be cited as Price Order No. 920.
2. This Order shall come into force on the 30th day of August, 1948.
3. (1) In this Order, unless the context otherwise requires,—
 - “ Basic wholesale cost ”, in relation to any goods, means the actual price paid or payable by a wholesaler for the goods increased by the amount of any disbursements, exclusive of sales tax, actually incurred by the wholesaler in respect of the goods and decreased by any amount that may be receivable by the wholesaler in respect of the return of containers in which the goods are packed :
 - “ Bulk container ”, in relation to any lot of goods, means the container in which the goods were received by the wholesaler :
 - “ Retailer ” means a person who buys goods from a wholesaler for the purpose of selling those goods, whether in the form purchased or otherwise, to consumers :
 - “ Wholesaler ” means a person who sells goods to a retailer.
- (2) The basic wholesale cost shall be calculated in respect of such quantity of goods as is indicated in relation to the goods in the second column of the First Schedule hereto.
4. (1) Subject to the provisions of this Order, this Order applies with respect to the goods specified in the First Schedule hereto that are not for the time being the subject of a Price Order (other than this Order) fixing the wholesale price of the goods, or in respect of which an authorized wholesale selling-price is not for the time being fixed by the Tribunal, and which are sold by a wholesaler to a retailer.
 - (2) This Order shall apply only to those wholesalers who are for the time being authorized in that behalf by the Tribunal.
 - (3) Any authorization under the last preceding subclause may be given in such manner as the Tribunal thinks fit, and may be at any time revoked either in respect of all wholesalers to which the authorization relates or in respect of any one or more such wholesalers.
5. Every wholesaler to whom this Order applies shall, before selling any goods to which this Order applies, forward to the Tribunal in such manner as the Tribunal requires a return in respect of the goods in the form in the Second Schedule hereto :

Provided that where a wholesaler has furnished a return under this clause in respect of any goods he shall not be obliged unless specially requested to do so by the Tribunal, to furnish a return in respect of other goods of the same kind unless:—

 - (a) The basic wholesale cost of the other goods is less than the basic wholesale cost of the goods to which the return already made relates ; or
 - (b) The basic wholesale cost of the other goods is more than the basic wholesale cost of the goods in respect of which the return already made relates and the wholesaler proposes to charge more for such other goods.
6. (1) Subject to the provisions of this Order, the maximum price that may be charged or received by a wholesaler for any goods to which this Order applies shall not exceed the sum of the following amounts:—
 - (a) The basic wholesale cost :
 - (b) The maximum percentage of the basic wholesale cost specified in relation to the goods in the First Schedule hereto :
 - (c) Where indicated in the fourth column of the First Schedule hereto, the premium set out in that column in respect of goods supplied in amounts less than bulk container lots :
 - (d) The amount of any discount customarily allowed by the wholesaler for payment before a specified date calculated in relation to the total of the items specified in paragraphs (a), (b), and (c) hereof :
 - (e) The amount of any sales tax paid by the wholesaler in respect of the goods.
- (2) If the maximum price calculated in accordance with this clause for any goods to which this Order applies is not an exact number of arthings the maximum price may be calculated to the next upward farthing.
7. Notwithstanding anything in the foregoing provisions of this Order, and subject to such conditions, if any, as it thinks fit, the Tribunal, on application by any wholesaler, may authorize special maximum prices in respect of any goods to which this Order applies. Any authority given by the Tribunal under this clause may apply with respect to a specified lot or consignment of goods or may relate generally to all or any goods to which this Order applies sold by the wholesaler while the approval remains in force.

FIRST SCHEDULE

Column 1.	Column 2.	Column 3.	Column 4.
Description of Goods to which this Order Applies.	Quantity of Goods in Respect of which Basic Wholesale Cost Fixed.	Percentage.	Additional Charge in Respect of Sales of Less than Bulk Container Lots.
Acids—		Per Cent.	At the Rate of—
Acetic	Per dozen	12½
Boracic—			
Bulk	Bulk container	10	½d. per pound.
Other than bulk	Per dozen	8¾
Citric—			
Bulk	Bulk container	10	2d. per pound.
Other than bulk	Per dozen	8¾
Tartaric—			
Bulk	Bulk container	8¾	2d. per pound.
Other than bulk	Per dozen	7½
Aerofos and Antelope powder and other similar phosphate preparations—			
Bulk	Bulk container	12½	½d. per pound.
Other than bulk	Per dozen	11½
Allspice—			
Bulk	Bulk container	10
Other than bulk	Per dozen	8¾
Almonds, shelled, all varieties, ground or otherwise	Bulk container	7½	2d. per pound.
Almonds, artificial, ground	Bulk container	10	2d. per pound.
Alum	Bulk container	10	½d. per pound.
Ammonia	Per dozen	8¾
Arrowroot	Per dozen or per pound	11¼
Asparagus, canned or bottled	Per dozen	8¾
Baking-cups	Per mille	17½