

Price Order No. 921 (Retail 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. 921.
2. This Order shall come into force on the 30th day of August, 1948.

3. (1) In this Order, unless the context otherwise requires,—

“Bulk container”, in relation to any lot of goods to which this Order applies, means the container in which the lot was received by the wholesaler:

“Prevailing wholesale price”, in relation to any goods to which this Order applies, means the price for the time being authorized pursuant to the Control of Prices Act, 1947, to be charged for the goods to a retailer by a wholesaler nearest or most convenient of access to that retailer increased by the amount of any sales tax that may be payable by the retailer in respect of the goods and decreased by the amount of any discount customarily allowed by the wholesaler for payment on or before a specified date and decreased further by the amount charged by the wholesaler in respect of containers in which the goods are packed.

(2) The prevailing wholesale price shall be calculated in respect of such quantity of goods as is indicated in the second column of the Schedule hereto:

Provided that if any goods indicated in the Schedule hereto as goods to which this proviso relates are, with the authority of the Price Tribunal, sold by a wholesaler to a retailer at a price higher than that authorized to be charged by the wholesaler for the quantity specified in the second column of the Schedule hereto in relation to those goods, the prevailing wholesale price may, in such cases but in no others, be calculated on the basis of the price actually paid to the wholesaler by the retailer concerned.

(3) In calculating the prevailing wholesale price of any goods, discount shall be deducted if the retailer has at any time a right to deduct discount in respect of the goods, whether or not he takes advantage of the right.

(4) Where any goods are manufactured by a retailer and sold by him as a retailer the prevailing wholesale price in such case shall be calculated on the basis of the price authorized by the Price Tribunal to be charged by that person to other retailers for sales by way of wholesale.

4. This Order applies with respect only to the goods specified in the first column of the Schedule hereto.

5. (1) Subject to the provisions of this Order the maximum price that may be charged or received by a retailer for any goods to which this Order applies shall not exceed the sum of the following amounts:—

- (a) The prevailing wholesale price:
- (b) The maximum percentage of the prevailing wholesale price specified in relation to those goods in the Schedule hereto:
- (c) The appropriate proportion of transport costs payable by the retailer in respect of the goods:

Provided that nothing in this Order shall authorize the addition of transport costs in excess of those that would have been incurred had the goods been purchased from a wholesaler nearest or most convenient of access to the retailer and transported by a common carrier at current freight rates.

(2) If in respect of any lot of goods sold by a retailer the maximum price specified in the Schedule hereto in relation to those goods calculated in accordance with the foregoing provisions of this clause is not an exact number of half-pence, the maximum price of the lot shall be computed to the next upward halfpenny.

(3) The retail price of any goods computed in accordance with this clause shall be calculated by reference to the quantities and weights disclosed in the appropriate invoices.

6. 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 retailer, 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 retailer while the approval remains in force.

SCHEDULE

Column 1. Description of Goods to which this Order Applies.	Column 2. Quantity of Goods in Respect of which Retail Price is Fixed.	Column 3. Percentage that May be Added to Prevailing Wholesale Price.
Acids—		Per Cent.
(a) Acetic .. .. .	Per dozen .. .. .	33½
(b) *Boracic—		
Bulk .. .. .	Bulk container .. .. .	27½
Other than bulk .. .. .	Per dozen .. .. .	22½

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Acids— <i>continued</i>		
(c) *Citric—		Per Cent.
Bulk .. .. .	Bulk container .. .. .	20
Other than bulk .. .. .	Per dozen .. .. .	15
(d) *Tartaric—		
Bulk .. .. .	Bulk container .. .. .	20
Other than bulk .. .. .	Per dozen .. .. .	15
Aerofos, Antelope powder, and other similar phosphate preparations—		
Bulk .. .. .	Bulk container .. .. .	22½
Other than bulk .. .. .	Per dozen .. .. .	17½
Allspice—		
Bulk .. .. .	Bulk container .. .. .	22½
Other than bulk .. .. .	Per dozen .. .. .	17½
*Almonds, shelled, all varieties, ground or otherwise .. .. .	Bulk container .. .. .	17½
*Almonds, artificial, ground .. .. .	Bulk container .. .. .	17½
Alum .. .. .	Bulk container .. .. .	27½
Ammonia .. .. .	Per dozen .. .. .	22½
Arrowroot .. .. .	Per dozen or per pound .. .. .	25
Asparagus, canned or bottled .. .. .	Per dozen .. .. .	17½
Baking-cups .. .. .	Per mille .. .. .	33½
Baking-powder—		
(a) Phosphate .. .. .	Per dozen .. .. .	20
(b) Tartrate .. .. .	Per dozen .. .. .	17½
Barley, Pearl—		
Bulk .. .. .	Bulk container .. .. .	22½
Other than bulk .. .. .	Per dozen .. .. .	17½
Barley, Robinson's Patent .. .. .	Per dozen .. .. .	27½
Beans, canned or bottled—		
(a) Baked with or without tomato sauce or other ingredients .. .. .	Per dozen .. .. .	22½
(b) Fresh green .. .. .	Per dozen .. .. .	22½
*Beans, dried, all varieties .. .. .	Bulk container .. .. .	20
Birdseed, all varieties—		
Bulk .. .. .	Bulk container .. .. .	30
Other than bulk .. .. .	Per dozen .. .. .	25
Biscuits—		
Loose .. .. .	Per pound .. .. .	40
Other than loose .. .. .	Per pound .. .. .	30
Biscuits, dog—		
Loose .. .. .	Per pound .. .. .	40
Other than loose .. .. .	Per pound or per dozen .. .. .	30
Blancmange powder .. .. .	Per dozen .. .. .	22½
Blue, washing .. .. .	Per gross .. .. .	20
Borax .. .. .	Bulk container .. .. .	22½
Cake mixtures—		
Bulk .. .. .	Bulk container .. .. .	25
Other than bulk .. .. .	Per dozen .. .. .	22½
Cake papers .. .. .	Per mille .. .. .	33½
Candles .. .. .	Per pound .. .. .	12½
Capers .. .. .	Per dozen .. .. .	20
*Caraway seed—		
Bulk .. .. .	Bulk container .. .. .	30
Other than bulk .. .. .	Per dozen .. .. .	25
Carpet shampoo .. .. .	Per dozen .. .. .	25
*Cashew kernels, all varieties, ground or otherwise .. .. .	Bulk container .. .. .	17½
Cashew-nut butter .. .. .	Per dozen .. .. .	22½
Cashew-nut butter with honey and/or other ingredients .. .. .	Per dozen .. .. .	20
*Cassia—		
Bulk .. .. .	Bulk container .. .. .	37½
Other than bulk .. .. .	Per dozen .. .. .	32½
Caustic soda .. .. .	Per dozen .. .. .	17½
Cereal, dessert .. .. .	Per dozen .. .. .	22½
Certo .. .. .	Per dozen .. .. .	25
Cheese, excluding bulk Cheddar cheese, but including Process cheese, cheese pastes, and fancy cheese—		
(a) Packets or tins .. .. .	Per dozen .. .. .	20
(b) Cuts .. .. .	Per pound .. .. .	22½
Cherries, drained and crystallized, real or imitation .. .. .	Bulk container .. .. .	27½
*Chillies—		
Bulk .. .. .	Bulk container .. .. .	22½
Other than bulk .. .. .	Per dozen .. .. .	17½
Chutney .. .. .	Per dozen .. .. .	22½
*Cinnamon—		
Bulk .. .. .	Bulk container .. .. .	22½
Other than bulk .. .. .	Per dozen .. .. .	17½
Cleansers, except carpet shampoo and window-cleaning fluids .. .. .	Per dozen .. .. .	20
Clothes-lines, rope .. .. .	Per dozen or per pound .. .. .	22½
Clothes-pegs—		
(a) Wood and/or wire .. .. .	Bulk container .. .. .	17½
(b) Plastic .. .. .	Per gross .. .. .	22½

Names of commodities marked in the above Schedule with an asterisk (\*) are so indicated in terms of the proviso to clause 3 (2) of the Order.