

Price Order No. 1052 (Meat—Wholesale)

PURSUANT to 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 Price Order:—

PRELIMINARY

1. This Order may be cited as Price Order No. 1052, and shall come into force on the 8th day of August, 1949.
2. (1) Price Orders Nos. 961* and 1023† are hereby revoked.
- (2) The revocation of the said Orders shall not affect the liability of any person for any offence in relation thereto committed before the coming into force of this Order.
3. (1) In this Order, unless the context otherwise requires,—
 - “Abattoir district” means an abattoir district constituted in accordance with the Meat Act, 1939 :
 - “Frozen meat” means meat that has been held in a freezing chamber until the major portion of the liquid content of the meat has solidified :
 - “The said specification” means the New Zealand Standard Specification (No. N.Z.S.S. 681) entitled “Grades of Meat for Sale on the Local Market and Definitions of Joints and Cuts,” declared by the Minister of Industries and Commerce under the authority of section 8 of the Standards Act, 1941, to be a standard specification.
- (2) References in this Order to the kind, description, or grade of any meat shall be deemed respectively to be references to the kind, description, or grade of such meat within the meaning and for the purposes of the said specification.
- (3) All fresh meat killed in an abattoir district and sold or delivered to a purchaser during the currency of this Order shall be deemed, until the contrary is proved, to be meat of the grade indicated thereon by the distinctive grade marking made pursuant to the said specification.
- (4) All fresh meat killed elsewhere than in an abattoir district and sold or delivered to a purchaser during the currency of this Order shall be sold at the appropriate prices fixed for first-grade, second-grade, or third-grade meat that has been killed in an abattoir district according to whether the meat not killed in an abattoir district would have been graded first-grade, second-grade, or third-grade meat had it in fact been killed and graded in an abattoir district.

APPLICATION OF THIS ORDER

4. (1) Nothing in this Order shall apply with respect to sales of fresh meat during the month of August, 1949, or the months of September, October, and November in any year or to sales of live-stock.
- (2) Except as provided in the last preceding subclause, this Order applies with respect to all wholesale sales of meat (whether fresh or frozen) intended for human consumption and whether such meat is sold by the carcass or as broken meat.
- (3) All meat sold or delivered to a purchaser during the currency of this Order shall be deemed to be intended for human consumption unless it is sold for some other specific purpose.
- (4) The maximum prices fixed by this Order apply with respect to sales by auction as well as to other sales.
- (5) The provisions of this Order shall apply notwithstanding that any meat to which the Order applies is sold otherwise than by weight.

FIXING MAXIMUM WHOLESALE PRICES OF MEAT TO WHICH THIS ORDER APPLIES

5. (1) The maximum wholesale price of meat of the kinds and descriptions specified in the First Schedule hereto shall be the appropriate price prescribed in that Schedule.
- (2) The prices prescribed in the First Schedule hereto in respect of fresh meat shall apply during the respective periods indicated in the First and Second Schedules hereto.
- (3) The prices fixed by the foregoing provisions of this clause with respect to frozen meat apply at all periods throughout any year.
- (4) The prices fixed by the foregoing provisions of this clause with respect to lamb apply only with respect to lamb sold in the year following the year in which the lamb was born.
- (5) Notwithstanding anything in the foregoing provisions of this clause and subject to such conditions, if any, as it thinks fit, the Tribunal, on application by any wholesaler, may authorize special maximum wholesale prices in respect of any meat to which this Order applies where special circumstances exist, or for any reason extraordinary charges (freight or otherwise) are incurred by the wholesaler. Any authority given by the Tribunal under this subclause may apply with respect to a specified lot or consignment of meat or may relate generally to all meat to which this Order applies sold by the wholesaler while the approval remains in force.

GENERAL PROVISIONS WITH RESPECT TO MAXIMUM WHOLESALE PRICES

6. (1) The maximum wholesale prices fixed as aforesaid are fixed in respect of sales, whether for cash or otherwise, of meat delivered at the wholesaler's depot that is nearest to the place in which the retailer's premises are situate.
- (2) Where delivery is effected to the retailer's premises the appropriate maximum wholesale price may be increased at the rate of 1s. for each 100 lb. weight of meat so delivered: Provided, however, that no increase shall apply with respect to offals.
- (3) If in respect of any lot of meat the maximum price calculated in accordance with the provisions of this Order is not an exact number of pence or half-pence, the maximum price of the lot shall be computed to the next upward halfpenny.
- (4) The respective wholesale prices for carcass meat (other than pork carcasses) are fixed in respect of whole carcasses or side carcasses (as the case may be) inclusive of kidneys, as sold “on the hook” in conformity with customary trade practice in the butchery trade.
- (5) Where any wholesaler sells any joint or cut of meat which is not in accordance with any one definition in the said specification because it comprises less than the total meat included in any one definition or comprises meat included in more than one definition, the maximum wholesale price per pound of such joint or cut shall be computed on the basis that the joint or cut comprises the kind, description, and grade of meat included in the definition of which the joint or cut forms part or to which the greater part of such joint or cut conforms.

FIRST SCHEDULE

MAXIMUM WHOLESALE PRICES OF MEAT TO WHICH THIS ORDER APPLIES

Kind or Description of Meat.	Carcass Weight.	A.	B.	C.	D.	Frozen Meat.
<i>First Grade</i>						
		Per 100 Pounds				
		s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
<i>Beef</i> Ox and heifer (including specially selected young cows of first-grade quality)	Not exceeding 720 lb.	52 6	55 6	58 6	61 6	} 54 9
	Over 720 lb. but not over 800 lb.	51 6	54 6	57 6	60 6	
	Over 800 lb. but not over 900 lb.	50 6	53 6	56 6	59 6	
	Over 900 lb.	48 6	51 6	54 6	57 6	
		Pence Per Pound				
<i>Mutton</i> Wethers and maiden ewes	48 lb. and under	0 8	0 8½	0 8½	..	0 8½
	Over 48 lb. but not over 56 lb.	0 7½	0 8½	0 8½	..	0 8½
	Over 56 lb. but not over 64 lb.	0 7½	0 7½	0 8½	..	0 8
	Over 64 lb. but not over 72 lb.	0 7	0 7½	0 7½	..	0 7½
	Over 72 lb.	0 6¾	0 7½	0 7½	..	0 7½
<i>Hogget</i>	All weights	0 8½	0 9½	0 9½	..	0 9½
	150 lb. and under	0 6¾	0 6¾	0 7½	0 7½	0 6¾
<i>Veal</i>	Over 150 lb. but not over 200 lb.	0 5½	0 6½	0 6½	0 7	0 6¾
	Over 200 lb.	0 5¾	0 5¾	0 6½	0 6½	0 5¾
<i>Pork</i>	Heads on (carcass not over 120 lb.)	0 10½	0 11½	0 11½	..	0 11½
	Headless sides (ex carcass not over 120 lb.)	0 11½	1 0½	1 0½	..	1 0½
<i>Lamb</i>	All weights	0 10½	0 10½	0 11	..	0 10½

* Gazette, 13th January, 1949, Vol. I, page 13.

† Gazette, 30th June, 1949, Vol. II, page 1437.