

Price Order No. 1056 (Furniture, Floor-coverings, and Bedding)

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. 1056, and shall come into force on the 17th day of August, 1949.
2. (1) In this Order, unless the context otherwise requires—
 - “ Factory selling-price ”, in relation to any goods, means the price approved to the manufacturer of those goods by the Director of Price Control as the price at which those goods may be sold by way of wholesale :
 - “ Landed cost ”, in relation to any goods, means the actual price paid or payable by the importer of the goods increased by the amount of any landing-costs incurred by the importer in respect of the goods :
 - “ Landing-costs ” in relation to any goods, means the costs incurred by the importer incidental to the importing of the goods from the country of origin into store at the port of entry in New Zealand :
 - “ Prevailing wholesale price ” in relation to any goods, means the maximum price for the time being authorized by the Director of Price Control to be charged for the goods by the wholesaler to the retailer buying the goods.
- (2) No costs shall be deemed to be landing-costs within the meaning of this Order unless the method of assessment of the costs has been previously approved in that behalf by the Director of Price Control.

APPLICATION OF THIS ORDER

3. This Order applies to the goods specified in the First Schedule hereto (whether manufactured in New Zealand or imported into New Zealand) that are not for the time being the subject of a Price Order (other than this Order) fixing the retail selling-price of the goods.

FIXING MAXIMUM RETAIL SELLING-PRICES OF GOODS TO WHICH THIS ORDER APPLIES

4. (1) Subject to the following provisions of this Order the maximum price that may be charged by any retailer for any goods to which this Order applies shall be determined as follows:—
 - (a) With respect to furniture bought from a manufacturer in New Zealand or manufactured by the retailer selling the goods the maximum price shall be the factory selling-price increased by the appropriate maximum percentage of that price specified in the First Schedule hereto in relation to the goods :
 - (b) With respect to the other goods to which this Order applies the maximum price shall be—
 - (i) In respect of goods purchased in New Zealand from a wholesaler : The prevailing wholesale price of the goods increased by the appropriate maximum percentage of that amount specified in the First Schedule hereto in relation to the goods ;
 - (ii) In respect of goods imported into New Zealand by the retailer selling the goods : The landed cost of the goods increased by the appropriate maximum percentage of that amount specified in the First Schedule hereto in relation to the goods.
- (2) Where with respect to any floor-coverings there is specified in the First Schedule hereto a ceiling mark-up as well as a maximum percentage mark-up, the prevailing wholesale price or the landed cost (as the case may be) shall, if the floor-coverings have been imported into New Zealand, be increased by the ceiling mark-up instead of the maximum percentage mark-up in all cases where the amount of the ceiling mark-up is less than the amount of the percentage mark-up.
- (3) The maximum retail prices fixed by the foregoing provisions of this clause may be increased by the proportionate amount of any transport charges actually incurred by the retailer in obtaining delivery of the goods into his premises, but not exceeding in any case an amount equal to 3½ per cent. of the prevailing wholesale price or factory selling-price (as the case may be) of the goods.
- (4) Every retailer who offers or exposes for sale any goods to which this Order applies shall attach thereto a ticket on which shall be stated the following particulars:—
 - (a) The identification name or number of the goods :
 - (b) The cost price (in code) :
 - (c) The retail selling-price (in plain figures).
- (5) Where, with respect to any goods to which this Order applies, transport charges are incurred by a retailer and added to his selling-price a complete record of any such charges shall be kept by the retailer showing how they were apportioned to the goods on which they were incurred.

GENERAL

5. Every retailer, who imports any goods to which this Order applies, shall, on receipt of the goods, forward to the Director of Price Control in such manner as the Director requires a return in respect of the goods in the form of the Second Schedule hereto :

Provided that where an importer 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 Director, to furnish a return in respect of other goods of the same kind unless—

- (a) The landed cost of the other goods is less than the landed cost of the goods to which the return already made relates : or
- (b) The landed cost of the other goods is more than the landed cost of the goods to which the return already made relates and the importer proposed to charge more for such other goods as aforesaid.

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 retail prices in respect of any goods to which this Order applies where special circumstances exist or for any reason extraordinary charges (freight or otherwise) are incurred by the retailer. 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 goods to which this Order applies sold by the retailer while the approval remains in force.

FIRST SCHEDULE

MAXIMUM RETAIL PRICES OF GOODS TO WHICH THIS ORDER APPLIES

Description of Goods.	Maximum Percentage of Factory Selling-price, Prevailing Wholesale Price, or Landed Cost Allowed on Sales by Retailers.		Ceiling Mark-up to be Applied Where Such is Less than Amount of Percentage Mark-up.
	Percentage of Factory Selling-price or Prevailing Wholesale Price.	Percentage of Landed Cost of Goods Imported by Retailers.	
<i>Furniture and Upholstery</i>			
Kitchen tables	35	35	..
Kitchen chairs			
Kitchen stools			
Kitchen iron boards			
Clothes racks			
Airers	37½	37½	..
Folding tables (excluding card tables)			
Folding chairs			
Folding stools			
Folding beds and camp stretchers			
Folding cots and bassinets	32½	32½	..
Children's cots			
Children's chairs			
Children's playpens			
Children's bassinets			
Children's cribs			