

GOODS.

4. **Tallying.**—Where goods conveyed under this regulation are tallied at the request of the owners, but not handled by the Department, the following charges for tallying will be made :—

	s.	d.
Goods not otherwise specified, per ton (minimum charge 1s. 6d.)	..	1 6
Timber, per 100 superficial feet (minimum charge 1s. 6d.)	..	0 9

Minimum Loads.—5. For the purpose of this regulation the minimum load of a wagon of timber will be 700 superficial feet, and any less quantity will be charged at this minimum. In the case of wool the minimum load will be eight undumped or four double-dumped bales per four-wheeled wagon ; any less quantity will be charged at this minimum.

6. Except as provided in paragraph 2 hereof, or in the case of timber or wool or where wagons are fully loaded, the minimum load of a wagon delivered to a private siding, or of a wagon lifted from a private siding, will be 30 cwt. The freight charges of a wagon containing less than the minimum specified will be computed as follows :—

(a) **When the Siding is Located at a Station :** The freight charges will be computed as for a minimum weight of 30 cwt. for the whole journey, or on actual weight plus 4s. 6d. for each siding haulage involved, whichever is cheaper.

(b) **When the Siding is Not Located at a Station :** The freight charges will be computed as for a minimum weight of 30 cwt. for the whole journey, or as shown hereunder, whichever is cheaper :—

* (i) **Traffic from the Siding :** As for 30 cwt. from the siding to the nearest station with public siding facilities, and at actual weight from there to destination.

* (ii) **Traffic to the Siding :** On actual weight from the forwarding station to the station with public siding facilities nearest to the private siding, and as for 30 cwt. from there to the private siding.

* In either case, goods chargeable at the empty return rate (Regulation 88) may be computed at Class C plus 50 per cent. between the private siding and the nearest station if cheaper than the empty return rate. In such cases the latter station will be deemed to be the original forwarding or receiving station for the purpose of Regulation 88.

Special Shunting Charges : (c) In cases where provision is made for a special shunting charge to be enforced in respect of traffic to or from a private siding and a wagon containing less than the prescribed minimum is hauled, the shunting or haulage charge will, except as provided in subparagraph (d) hereof, be enforced according to whichever is the greater.

(d) In any case where the annual siding rental has been waived and a shunting charge imposed in lieu thereof, the shunting charge will be enforced in addition to haulage charges where such are applicable.

7. **Conditions.**—(a) The Department reserves the right to fill up at its sheds or yards any wagon not loaded to its full carrying capacity consigned to or from a private siding.

(b) Holders of private sidings are held responsible for the safe custody of railway property of any kind while in their sidings, and must return such property to the Department in the same condition as when placed in the private siding.

98. Tarpaulins

1. The Department does not undertake to provide tarpaulins for goods of Classes F, K, M, N, P, Q, or R, or goods conveyed under the provisions of Regulations 81, 83, 84, or 90, nor labour for covering such goods when loaded by consignor, and will take no responsibility in respect of such goods on account of their not being covered by tarpaulins—

(a) If tarpaulins are supplied for such goods the following charges will be made for the use thereof—

Distance.	Rate Per Tarpaulin.	
	s.	d.
Not exceeding 100 miles	3	0
Over 100 miles and not exceeding 250 miles	6	0
Over 250 miles	9	0

(b) If covering of such goods is performed by the Department, a labour charge of 3s. per tarpaulin will be made, whether such goods are loaded by owners or the Department.

(c) When tarpaulins are provided to cover such goods from one consignor to various consignees, or from various consignors to one or several consignees, the consignor who requires the goods to be covered will be called upon to pay the charges for the tarpaulin.

(d) When such goods are loaded in the same wagon with goods of Classes C, D, E, G, or H, all tarpaulins in excess of one per wagon will be charged for.

2. **Demurrage.**—Tarpaulins not released within eight working-hours from time of arrival will be charged demurrage at the rate of 3s. per tarpaulin per day or part of a day after the first eight hours. Working-hours shall be deemed to be from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sundays and days on which goods-sheds are closed for the whole day will be treated as *dies non*.

3. **Private Tarpaulins** supplied by consignors for the protection of their consignments during transit by rail will be conveyed free of charge on both the outward journey and when being returned from the original destination station to the original forwarding station.

4. **Damage to Tarpaulins.**—Consignors who undertake the covering of any goods shall make good all damage to tarpaulins arising from such goods being insufficiently or negligently covered, secured, or protected.