

LUGGAGE, PARCELS, ETC.

Fresh fruit, vegetables, mushrooms, or nuts contained in suit-cases or similar containers are not considered "packed" in accordance with trade usage, and will be charged parcels rates as per Regulation 55.

4. **Terminal Charge.**—In addition to the foregoing charges, a charge of 1s. for each cwt. or part of a cwt. will be made for fresh fruit, vegetables, mushrooms, or nuts consigned as parcels or conveyed as excess luggage to the following stations:—

<i>North Island.</i>		<i>South Island.</i>
Auckland	Palmerston North	Christchurch.
Hamilton.	Wellington.	Dunedin.
New Plymouth.	Petone.	Invercargill.
Hawera.	Lower Hutt.	
Wanganui.		

5. **Grouped Weight.**—When more packages than one consisting of fresh fruit, fresh vegetables, fresh mushrooms, and nuts are consigned from one consignor to one consignee at the same destination station such packages will be charged upon the total weight of each consignment.

6. **Conditions.**—(a) The provisions of this regulation will be applicable only to fresh fruit, fresh vegetables, fresh mushrooms, and nuts forwarded for the domestic use of the consignee, with a maximum weight per consignment of 2 cwt., and will not apply to fresh fruit, fresh vegetables, fresh mushrooms, and nuts forwarded for sale or to be used or dealt with by the consignee for any purpose other than that mentioned. In every case the consignor shall endorse on the face of the consignment-note, "Certified for domestic use of consignee only."

(b) The Department reserves the right to decline to carry fresh fruit, fresh vegetables, fresh mushrooms, and nuts at these rates on any express or passenger train.

7. **Consignments Exceeding 2 cwt.**—In the case of consignments forwarded under the provisions of this regulation weighing over 2 cwt., the charges will be computed as follows:—

Not exceeding 4 cwt.	..	2 cwt. under the provisions of this regulation.	Weight in excess of 2 cwt. at parcels rates on grouped weight.
Exceeding 4 cwt.	..	2 cwt. under the provisions of this regulation.	2 cwt. at parcels rates on grouped weight. Weight in excess of 4 cwt. at parcels rates on separate weight of each package.

57. Milk and Cream

Rates.—1. Milk and cream will be conveyed only at the owner's sole risk, the charges being computed on the capacity of cans at the following rates:—

Miles: Not Exceeding.	Milk and Cream Consigned to Butter, Cheese, or Milk-condensing Factories, and to or from Creameries.	Miles: Not Exceeding.	Milk and Cream Not Otherwise Specified.
	Per Gallon Capacity.		Per Gallon Capacity.
	d.		d.
15	1	11	1
30	1½	21	1½
60	2	31	2
90	2½	61	2½
For each additional 30 miles or fraction thereof	½	91	3
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The minimum railage charge for each consignment will be 1s. 2d.

2. Cans of milk and cream collected direct from farmers by dairy companies or carters employed by the dairy companies and forwarded by rail to factories may be despatched as one consignment.

3. **Marking of Cans.**—Each can must be legibly marked with the capacity thereof (in gallons), and the name of the owner, and the station from which he consigns the can.

4. **Loading and Unloading.**—The Department may require all loading or unloading to be performed by the consignor or consignee. For all loading or unloading performed by the Department 6d. per can will be charged in addition to the railage charge for conveyance.

5. **Empty Cans.**—5. Empty milk or cream cans being returned from the original consignee and receiving station to the original consignor and forwarding station will be conveyed free: Provided that the Department reserves the right to refuse such free conveyance in the case of any dairy or milk-condensing factory or creamery which utilizes means other than the railway for the carriage of the output of such factory or creamery, when the railway is available for the transport of such output.