

*Board of Trade Notice No. 57—Public Inquiry into Import Duties on Piston Rings*

1. The Board of Trade proposes to inquire into and report upon the question of what rates of import duty should be imposed on piston rings which are included in Tariff Item 356 (1) (c).

The present rates of import duty are:—

- British Preferential: 20%.
- Australian Agreement: 30%
- Canadian Agreement: 30%
- Most Favoured Nation: 50%
- General: 50% plus surtax at the rate of nine-fortieths of the amount of duty.

2. During the course of this inquiry the Board will consider the desirability of re-classifying the goods in question for the purposes of the Customs Tariff. In addition, the Board will consider whether the goods in question should be exempted from the requirements of import licensing.

3. For the purpose of taking evidence on the review of this part of the tariff item, the Board will hold a public inquiry commencing on Tuesday, 18 August 1953, at 10.30 a.m., in the Board Room, First Floor, Departmental Building, Stout Street, Wellington.

4. Any person who intends to tender evidence should comply with the notes for the guidance of witnesses which have been approved by the Board. A copy of these notes may be obtained from the office of any Collector of Customs or from the undernamed.

5. A typewritten statement of the evidence to be tendered, compiled in accordance with these notes of guidance, should be lodged with the undernamed on or before Tuesday, 4 August 1953. Each statement will, in general, need to be presented under oath at the public inquiry, by the person tendering it.

Dated at Wellington, this 1st day of May 1953.

R. F. WILSON, Secretary, Board of Trade.

C.P.O. Box 2424, Wellington C. 1.

*Board of Trade Notice No. 58—Public Inquiry Into Import Duties on Pistons and Cylinder Sleeves*

1. The Board of Trade proposes to inquire into and report upon the question of what rates of import duty should be imposed on pistons and cylinder sleeves for motor vehicle engines which are included in Tariff Item 335 (2).

The present rates of import duty are:—

- British Preferential: 15%.
- Most Favoured Nation: 50%.
- General: 60% plus surtax at the rate of nine-fortieths of the amount of duty.

2. During the course of this inquiry the Board will consider the desirability of re-classifying the goods in question for the purposes of the Customs Tariff. In addition, the Board will consider whether the goods in question should be exempted from the requirements of import licensing.

3. For the purpose of taking evidence on the review of this part of the tariff item, the Board will hold a public inquiry commencing on Thursday, 20 August 1953, at 10.30 a.m., in the Board Room, First Floor, Departmental Building, Stout Street, Wellington.

4. Any person who intends to tender evidence should comply with the notes for the guidance of witnesses which have been approved by the Board. A copy of these notes may be obtained from the office of any Collector of Customs or from the undernamed.

5. A typewritten statement of the evidence to be tendered, compiled in accordance with these notes of guidance, should be lodged with the undernamed on or before Thursday, 6 August 1953. Each statement will, in general, need to be presented under oath at the public inquiry by the person tendering it.

Dated at Wellington, this 1st day of May 1953.

R. F. WILSON, Secretary, Board of Trade.

C.P.O. Box 2424, Wellington C. 1.

*Board of Trade Notice No. 59—Public Inquiry Into Import Duties on Mufflers for Motor-Vehicles*

1. The Board of Trade proposes to inquire into and report upon the question of what rates of import duty should be imposed on mufflers for motor-vehicle engines which are included in Tariff Item 335 (2).

The present rates of import duty are:—

- British Preferential: 15%.
- Most Favoured Nation: 50%.
- General: 60% plus surtax at the rate of nine-fortieths of the amount of duty.

2. During the course of this inquiry the Board will consider the desirability of re-classifying the goods in question for the purposes of the Customs Tariff. In addition, the Board will consider whether the goods in question should be exempted from the requirements of import licensing.

3. For the purpose of taking evidence on the review of this part of the tariff item the Board will hold a public inquiry commencing on Tuesday, 25 August 1953, at 10.30 a.m., in the Board Room, First Floor, Departmental Building, Stout Street, Wellington.

4. Any person who intends to tender evidence should comply with the notes for the guidance of witnesses which have been approved by the Board. A copy of these notes may be obtained from the office of any Collector of Customs or from the undernamed.

5. A typewritten statement of the evidence to be tendered, compiled in accordance with these notes of guidance, should be lodged with the undernamed on or before Tuesday, 11 August 1953. Each statement will, in general, need to be presented under oath at the public inquiry by the person tendering it.

Dated at Wellington, this 1st day of May 1953.

R. F. WILSON, Secretary, Board of Trade.

C.P.O. Box 2424, Wellington C. 1.

*Board of Trade Notice No. 60—Public Inquiry Into Import Duties on Men's and Boys' Overcoats, Suits, &c.*

1. The Board of Trade proposes to inquire into and report upon the question of what rates of import duty should be imposed under Tariff Item 136 (6) which reads as follows: "Men's and boys' overcoats n.e.i., suits, coats, trousers, waistcoats, and similar articles".

The present rates of import duty are:—

- British Preferential: 25% plus surtax at the rate of nine-fortieths of the amount of duty in respect of goods imported from Ireland (except Northern Ireland), Union of South Africa, India, and Pakistan.
- Australian Agreement: 40%.
- Canadian Agreement: 45%.
- General: 65% plus surtax at the rate of nine-fortieths of the amount of duty.

2. During the course of this inquiry, the Board will consider the desirability of re-classifying the goods in question for the purposes of the Customs Tariff. In addition, the Board will consider whether the goods in question should be exempted from the requirements of import licensing.

3. For the purpose of taking evidence on the review of this tariff item, the Board will hold a public inquiry commencing on Tuesday, 15 September 1953, at 10.30 a.m., in the Board Room, First Floor, Departmental Building, Stout Street, Wellington.

4. Any person who intends to tender evidence should comply with the notes for the guidance of witnesses which have been approved by the Board. A copy of these notes may be obtained from the office of any Collector of Customs or from the undernamed.

5. A typewritten statement of the evidence to be tendered, compiled in accordance with these notes of guidance, should be lodged with the undernamed on or before Tuesday, 1 September 1953. Each statement will, in general, need to be presented under oath at the public inquiry by the person tendering it.

Dated at Wellington, this 5th day of May 1953.

R. F. WILSON, Secretary, Board of Trade.

C.P.O. Box 2424, Wellington C. 1.

*Board of Trade Notice No. 61—Public Inquiry into Import Duties on Domestic Refrigerators*

1. The Board of Trade proposes to inquire into and report upon the question of what rates of import duty should be imposed on domestic refrigerators of the kind included in Tariff Item 353 (8) (c).

The present rates of import duty are:—

- British Preferential: 20% plus surtax at the rate of nine-fortieths of the amount of duty in respect of goods imported from Ireland (except Northern Ireland), Union of South Africa, India, and Pakistan.
- Australian Agreement: 30%.
- Canadian Agreement: 30%.
- General: 50% plus surtax at the rate of nine-fortieths of the amount of duty.

2. During the course of this inquiry, the Board will consider the desirability of re-classifying the goods in question for the purposes of the Customs Tariff. In addition, the Board will consider whether the goods in question should be exempted from the requirements of import licensing.

3. For the purposes of taking evidence on the review of this part of the tariff item, the Board will hold a public inquiry commencing on Tuesday, 22 September 1953, at 10.30 a.m., in the Board Room, First Floor, Departmental Building, Stout Street, Wellington.

4. Any person who intends to tender evidence should comply with the notes for the guidance of witnesses which have been approved by the Board. A copy of these notes may be obtained from the office of any Collector of Customs or from the undernamed.

5. A typewritten statement of the evidence to be tendered, compiled in accordance with these notes of guidance, should be lodged with the undernamed on or before Tuesday, 8 September 1953. Each statement will, in general, need to be presented under oath at the public inquiry by the person tendering it.

Dated at Wellington, this 5th day of May 1953.

R. F. WILSON, Secretary, Board of Trade.

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