

Price Order No. 1722 (Eggs)

PURSUANT to the Control of Prices Act 1947, the Price Tribunal hereby makes the following price order:

PRELIMINARY

1. This order may be cited as Price Order No. 1722, and shall come into force on the 28th day of October 1957.

2. (1) Price Order No. 1720* is hereby revoked.

(2) The revocation of the said order shall not affect the liability of any person for any offence in relation thereto committed before the coming into force of this order.

3. In this order—

The expression "Wellington Egg Marketing Area" means the area so constituted under the Egg Marketing Authority Regulations 1953†:

"Northland District" means the district comprising the counties of Otamatea, Hobson, Bay of Islands, Whangarei, Whangaroa, and Mangonui, including all cities, boroughs, and town districts situate within or contiguous to the boundaries of any such county:

"Hamilton District" means the district comprising the counties of Raglan, Piako, Otorohanga, Kawhia, Waikato, Matamata, Waitomo, and Waipa, including all cities, boroughs, and town districts situate within or contiguous to the boundaries of any such county:

"Marlborough District" means the district comprising the counties of Awatere, Marlborough, and Sounds, including all cities, boroughs, and town districts situate within or contiguous to the boundaries of any such county:

"Nelson District" means the district comprising the counties of Collingwood, Takaka, and Waimea, including all cities, boroughs, and town districts situate within or contiguous to the boundaries of any such county:

"Tauranga District" means the district comprising the counties of Hauraki Plains, Thames, Tauranga, Whakatane, Coromandel, Ohinemuri, and Rotorua, including all cities, boroughs, and town districts situate within or contiguous to the boundaries of any such county:

"Westland District" means the district comprising the counties of Buller, Murchison, Inangahua, Grey, and Westland, including all cities, boroughs, and town districts situate within or contiguous to the boundaries of any such county:

"Cartoned eggs" means eggs which are packed and supplied by a wholesaler to a retailer and sold by a retailer to a consumer packed in a divisible "Safety" egg carton or in a "Unibox" carton.

APPLICATION OF THIS ORDER

4. This order applies with respect to all sales in New Zealand, whether wholesale or retail, of eggs of domestic fowls or ducks.

CLASSIFICATION OF EGGS FOR PURPOSES OF THIS ORDER

Hen Eggs

5. (1) For the purposes of this order, every lot of hen eggs sold by a producer, or wholesaler, or retailer shall be classified as "Large Grade", "Standard Grade", "Medium Grade", "Pullet Grade" or "Mixed".

(2) With respect to hen eggs that have been graded in accordance with the Egg Marketing Authority Regulations 1953†, the classification of such eggs for the purposes of this order shall correspond to the grading under those regulations.

(3) With respect to hen eggs that have not been graded in accordance with the said regulations, the following special provisions shall apply:

(a) Any lot of eggs sold or offered for sale may be classified for the purposes of this order as "Large Grade", "Standard Grade", "Medium Grade", or "Pullet Grade" as the case may be if all the eggs in the lot would be of the corresponding grade if they had been graded under the said regulations.

(b) Any lot of eggs sold or offered for sale consisting of eggs which, if graded under the said regulations, would be graded in more than one grade shall be classified for the purposes of this order as "Mixed Eggs": Provided that if the average weight of the eggs in the lot is less than 2 oz. the lot shall be classified as "Pullet Grade" eggs.

Duck Eggs

6. (1) For the purposes of this order, every lot of duck eggs sold by a producer, wholesaler, or retailer shall be classified as "Large", "Small", or "Mixed".

(2) With respect to the classification of duck eggs—

(a) All eggs of a weight not less than $2\frac{3}{8}$ oz. shall be classified as "Large".

(b) All eggs of a weight less than $2\frac{3}{8}$ oz. shall be classified as "Small".

(c) If any lot of eggs comprises some eggs classifiable as "Large" and some classifiable as "Small" all the eggs in the lot shall be classified as "Mixed".

FIXING MAXIMUM WHOLESALE PRICES OF EGGS TO WHICH THIS ORDER APPLIES

7. (1) The price that may be charged or received by any wholesaler (including a producer selling otherwise than by way of retail) for any eggs to which this order applies shall not exceed the appropriate maximum price specified in the First Schedule hereto.

(2) Every wholesaler (including a producer selling otherwise than by way of retail) who sells any eggs to which this order applies shall specify in the relevant invoices with respect to each item the classification of the eggs comprised in the item.

FIXING MAXIMUM RETAIL PRICES OF EGGS TO WHICH THIS ORDER APPLIES

8. The maximum retail price that may be charged or received by any retailer (including a producer) for any eggs to which this order applies shall be the appropriate maximum price specified in the Second Schedule hereto.

Retailers to Exhibit Prices

9. Every retailer who offers or exposes any eggs to which this order applies for sale in any shop shall keep in a prominent position in such proximity to the eggs to which it relates as to be obviously descriptive thereof a ticket, placard, or label on which shall be stated in legible and prominent characters the classification of the eggs according to whether they are "Large Grade", "Standard Grade", "Medium Grade", "Pullet Grade", or "Mixed" (in the case of hen eggs), or "Large", "Small", or "Mixed" (in the case of duck eggs), and the retail price per dozen of the eggs.

FIXING MAXIMUM WHOLESALE AND RETAIL PRICES FOR LOOSE CHILLED HEN EGGS TO WHICH THIS ORDER APPLIES

10. The maximum wholesale or retail price that may be charged or received by any wholesaler or retailer for loose chilled hen eggs to which this order applies shall be the appropriate maximum price specified in the Schedules hereto reduced by 3d. per dozen.

PROVISION FOR SPECIAL PRICES

11. Subject to such conditions, if any, as it thinks fit, the Tribunal, on application by any wholesaler or retailer, may authorise special maximum prices in respect to any eggs to which this order applies, where special circumstances exist, or for any reason extraordinary charges (freight or otherwise) are incurred by the wholesaler or retailer. Any authority given by the Tribunal under this clause may apply with respect to a specified lot or consignment of eggs, or may relate generally to all eggs to which this order applies sold by the wholesaler or retailer while the approval remains in force.

FIRST SCHEDULE

MAXIMUM WHOLESALE PRICES (PER DOZEN) FOR EGGS TO WHICH THIS ORDER APPLIES

	Hen Eggs										Duck Eggs (Loose)		
	Large Grade (Fresh)		Standard Grade (Fresh)		Medium Grade (Fresh)		Pullet Grade (Fresh)		Mixed (Fresh)		Large	Small	Mixed
	Loose	Cartoned	Loose	Cartoned	Loose	Cartoned	Loose	Loose	Loose	Loose			
Wellington Egg Marketing Area ..	s. d. 4 9½	s. d. 4 11½	s. d. 4 5½	s. d. 4 7½	s. d. 4 0½	s. d. 4 2½	s. d. 2 8½	s. d. 4 3½	s. d. 3 10½	s. d. 3 3½	s. d. 3 8½		
Northland District ..	4 6½	4 9½	4 2½	4 5½	3 9½	4 0½	2 5½	4 0½	3 7½	3 0½	3 5½		
Hamilton District ..	4 7½	4 10½	4 3½	4 6½	3 10½	4 1½	2 6½	4 1½	3 7½	3 0½	3 5½		
Elsewhere in North Island ..													
Nelson District ..	4 6½	4 8½	4 2½	4 4½	3 9½	3 11½	2 5½	4 0½	3 7½	3 0½	3 5½		
Marlborough District ..													
Westland District ..													
Elsewhere in the South Island ..	4 2½	4 4½	3 10½	4 0½	3 5½	3 7½	2 1½	3 8½	3 3½	2 8½	3 1½		