

Tariff and Development Board Notice No. 121—Public Inquiry into Tariff Concessions, Rates of Duty, and Import Licensing Affecting Babies' and Young Infants' Clothing

1. The Tariff and Development Board has been requested by the Minister of Customs to inquire into and report on the under-mentioned concessions under Part II of the Customs Tariff of New Zealand—

Reference No.	Description	Rates of Duty		
		BP	MFN	GEN
31.0	Babies' and young infants' clothing of kinds and sizes as may be approved by the Minister.	Free	20%	40%

Or such rates, not exceeding the *ad valorem* rates applicable in respect of the goods under Part I of the Tariff, as the Minister may in any case direct.

Current concessions under Reference No. 31.0 are listed in *Schedule A* to this notice.

2. The inquiry will cover possible deletions from, additions to, or variations in description of the goods embraced by these concessions. It will also cover the duties or exemptions from duty applicable to such goods.

3. In addition, the Board has been requested by the Minister to inquire into and report on the question of import licensing as it affects the goods. The goods fall within Item Code 61.100, in the 1969-70 Import Licensing Schedule, which reads as follows—

Item Code	Tariff Item	Brief Description	Allocation
61.100	Ex Tariff Chapters 39, 40, 42, 60, 61, and 65	Clothing and other articles of Tariff Chapters 39, 40, 42, 60, 61, and 65, suited for wear by babies and young infants	100% 1968 licences
		(NOTE—Licences are available only for the importation of garments listed in Appendix VII)	

Appendix VII to the Import Licensing Schedule is reproduced as *Schedule B* to this notice.

4. The Board will, in accordance with its normal procedures, conduct a public inquiry in the Boardroom, First Floor, Law Society Building, 26 Waring Taylor Street, Wellington, on Tuesday, 28 October 1969, commencing at 10.30 a.m.

5. Any person who intends to tender evidence should lodge 12 copies of a typewritten statement of the evidence, to be presented under oath at the public inquiry, with the under-named no later than Friday, 10 October 1969. In preparing this evidence the "Notes for Guidance of Witnesses", prepared by the Board, may be of assistance. Copies of these notes may be obtained from the under-named.

Dated at Wellington this 19th day of August 1969.

P.O. Box 5070, Wellington.

O. A. BLACK,  
Acting Secretary, Tariff and Development Board.

SCHEDULE A

SCHEDULE OF CURRENT 31.0 CONCESSIONS

Tariff Item	Description	Rates of Duty		
		BP	MFN	GEN
39.07.31	Babies' and young infants' clothing of kinds and sizes as may be approved by the Minister	32½% Aul } Can } 45%	..	80%
	Approved—			
	Maximum size			
	Pants, plastic .. .. . 22 in. waist-crutch-waist			
	Pilchers .. .. . 22 in. waist-crutch-waist			
39.07.39	Babies' bibs and feeders .. .. .	Free	20%	40%
40.13.19	Babies' and young infants' clothing of kinds and sizes as may be approved by the Minister—	The <i>ad valorem</i> rate of duty to which the goods are liable under Part I of the Tariff		
	Approved—			
	Pants, rubber .. .. . 22 in. waist-crutch-waist			
Chapter 60 and Chapter 61	Babies' and young infants' clothing of kinds and sizes as may be approved by the Minister—			
	Approved—			
	Maximum size			
	(a) Babies' bibs and feeders			
	Bodices .. .. . 22 in. chest (buttoned) .. .. .	Free	20%	40%
	Babies' booties .. .. .			
	Cardigans, jumpers and pullovers .. .. . 24 in. chest .. .. .			
	Dressing gowns .. .. . 27 in. length* .. .. .			
	Gowns .. .. . 30 in. length .. .. .			
	Babies' matinee coats .. .. . 30 in. length*			
	Nightdresses .. .. .			
	Babies' shawls .. .. .			
	(b) Overalls with full-length trousers .. .. . 22 in. side waist to bottom of hem	The <i>ad valorem</i> rate of duty to which the goods are liable under Part I of the Tariff		
	Panties and bloomers .. .. . 18 in. waist-crutch-waist .. .. .			
	Petticoats .. .. . 20 in. length* .. .. .			
	Pilchers .. .. . 22 in. waist-crutch-waist .. .. .			
	Pyjamas made from knitted fabric .. .. . 24 in. chest .. .. .			
	Pyjamas made from woven fabric .. .. . 24 in. chest .. .. .			
	Shirts made from knitted fabric .. .. . 22 in. chest .. .. .			
	Skirts with bodice-type tops .. .. . 20 in. length* .. .. .			
	Skirts with straps attached to waist band .. .. . 12 in. from top of waist band to lowest point of hem			
	Sleeping suit with closed foot .. .. . 24 in. chest .. .. .			
	Trousers, short .. .. . 20 in. waist-crutch-waist .. .. .			
	Trousers, full-length .. .. . 22 in. side waist to bottom of hem			
	(NOTE—Where leg terminates in an elasticised ankle band or turn-up cuff, measurement along outside of leg to bottom of elastic band or to bottom of cuff when turned down is not to exceed 24 in.)			
	Vests .. .. . 17 in. top of shoulder to bottom of hem .. .. .			
65.05.09	Babies' bonnets and helmets .. .. .			