

## 46. Excess Luggage

1. The department reserves the right to charge light bulky packages of passengers' luggage by weight or measurement.

2. Luggage (checked or unchecked) on which excess charges are payable must be presented at the railway station at least 30 minutes before the due time of departure of the train by which it is to be forwarded.

3. All charges payable on excess luggage must be prepaid, and the person delivering such luggage must obtain an excess-luggage ticket as a receipt for the charges paid, such ticket to be given up when the luggage is claimed. Passengers who fail to produce excess tickets for luggage on which excess charges are payable may be required to pay such charges before the luggage is delivered.

4. In the case of luggage on which excess charges are payable forwarded from a station where no provision is made for the excessing of such luggage, the excess charges must be paid to the guard, who will issue a ticket for the amount received.

5. An excess-luggage ticket is only a receipt for charges paid. The department does not accept any responsibility for excess luggage unless it is checked as prescribed by section 45. (See section 44, paragraph, 4 *re* storage of unchecked luggage.)

6. **Free Allowance**—Subject to the succeeding provisions of this section, "luggage" for the purpose of this paragraph means wearing apparel and other similar personal belongings designed and usually carried by travellers for their personal use, and contained in a bag, box, portmanteau, suitcase, trunk, valise, or any other receptacle commonly used for the purpose, but shall not include merchandise or other goods or chattels which, though carried with the passenger's luggage, are not designed and carried for such use.

Passengers will be granted free conveyance of their bona fide personal luggage as follows:

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| (a) Passengers other than those specified hereafter  | } Adults: 112 lb.<br>Children travelling at half rates: 56 lb.  |
| (b) Visitors from overseas undertaking bona fide tourist travel in New Zealand (any class or type of ticket may be held) |   |
| (c) Families travelling on family excursion tickets (section 3)  | Total 336 lb.   |
| (d) Excursionists by day trips, except as provided in subparagraph (e) hereof  | No luggage other than baskets and hampers containing refreshments, band instruments for use of bands taking part in the excursion, perambulators, or push-chairs.   |
| (e) School children travelling on school season tickets issued under the provisions of sections 21, 22, and 23           | No luggage, foodstuffs, merchandise, or goods other than those required in connection with their studies.   |
| (f) Commercial travellers  | .. 112 lb of luggage and samples.   |
| (g) Hawkers  | .. .. 112 lb (total weight) of luggage and goods for sale.  |
| (h) Invalids accompanied by invalid chairs (motor or hand propelled)   | 112 lb of luggage in addition to the weight of the chair. The Department will not, except at its convenience, convey invalid chairs by express or passenger trains. |
| (i) Theatrical companies   | .. .. See section 48.   |

7. (a) **Articles Accepted Free as Luggage**—The following articles, being the property of passengers and for their own domestic use, may be conveyed as portion of a passenger's free allowance:

Bassinets.  
Books or a typewriter used in connection with a passenger's occupation or studies.  
Children's scooters and tricycles.  
Crockery.  
Dolls' prams.  
Foodstuffs.  
Prams and push-chairs.  
Sleeping bags.  
Small musical instruments.  
Sportsmen's gear, including fishing rods, golf trundlers, and rifles.  
Workmen's tools.

(b) **Excess Luggage**—The following articles shall not be included in a passenger's free luggage allowance:

Bedsteads, mattresses, and stretchers.  
Bulky musical instruments.  
Carpets.  
Furniture.  
Glassware.  
House fittings.  
Kerosene and similar mineral oils.  
Linoleum.  
Liquor.  
Live poultry or livestock.  
Sewing machines.  
Surf boards.  
Tents and poles.

8. The department reserves the right to determine whether any package or article (other than bona fide personal luggage) may be carried free as luggage under the provisions of this section.