

## Tariff and Development Board Notice No. 377—Inquiries Concerning Tariff Protection for Various Goods

## PUBLIC HEARINGS

1. In letters of 22 June 1973 and 5 October 1973 the Minister of Customs asked the Board to undertake inquiries into the goods listed in the attached Schedules with the objective of providing Government with a basis for restructuring and updating the Tariff to establish, where possible, adequate rates of duty protection on the goods involved.

2. For the purpose of taking evidence the Board will hold public hearings commencing at the times and on the dates shown below in the Hearing Room, Eighth Floor, Cumberland House, Upper Willis Street, Wellington.

Goods	Time and Date of Public Hearing	Closing Date for Receipt of Representations	Tariff Provisions Items Under Reference
Rubber tyre, tyres, etc., of ex Tariff heading 40.08 and Tariff heading 40.11	10.30 a.m., Tuesday, 12 February 1974	22 January 1974	Schedule A
Wadding and articles of wadding of ex Tariff heading 59.01 and sanitary towels of ex Tariff headings 48.21 and 62.05	10.30 a.m., Tuesday, 19 February 1974	29 January 1974	Schedule B
Unworked drawn or blown glass (including flashed glass), in rectangles, of Tariff heading 70.05	10.30 a.m., Tuesday, 26 February 1974	5 February 1974	Schedule C
Pumps for liquids, etc., compressors, etc., of ex Tariff headings 84.10 and 84.11	10.30 a.m., Tuesday, 5 March 1974	5 February 1974	Schedule D
Pipe organs, electro-magnetic musical instruments, etc., of ex Tariff headings 92.03 and 92.07	10.30 a.m., Tuesday, 12 March 1974	12 February 1974	Schedule E
Tube and pipe fittings of iron or steel of Tariff heading 73.20	10.30 a.m., Tuesday, 19 March 1974	19 February 1974	Schedule F

3. Parties intending to make representations or requests about appropriate rates of Customs duty are asked to take into account the statement of 7 May 1973 by the Minister of Overseas Trade on the phasing out of British preferences from the New Zealand Tariff, the statement of 7 May 1973 by the Minister of Trade and Industry on the interim New Zealand - Australia Trade Agreement 1973 and the statement of 27 July 1973 by the Minister of Overseas Trade on the New Zealand - Canada Trade Agreement 1973. Copies of these statements can be obtained from the undersigned. In a letter dated 6 April 1973 the Minister of Trade and Industry indicated that, while Government had asked the Board to consider the question of a single tariff rate, for trade policy reasons the Board's recommendations on this aspect would not necessarily be made public for the time being.

4. The attention of interested parties is drawn to the fact that the Board may find it appropriate to comment upon and compare the relative merits of protection by means of tariff rates and import licensing when used jointly or separately.

5. Any person who intends to tender evidence should lodge, in typewritten form, 14 copies of public evidence and 12 copies of confidential evidence, to be presented under oath at the public hearing, at the Board's office no later than the dates shown above. In preparing this evidence the "Notes for Information and Guidance of Interested Parties" prepared by the Board may be of assistance. Copies of these notes may be obtained from the Board's office.

6. In any instance where no evidence is received in respect of any goods classified within a particular Tariff item the Board may recommend that no protective rates of duty be applied to those goods.

Dated at Wellington this 9th day of October 1973.

F. E. BEAUFORT, Secretary, Tariff and Development Board.

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## SCHEDULE A

Number	Description	BP	Rates of Duty MFN	GEN
40.08	Plates, sheets, strip, rods and profile shapes, of unhardened vulcanised rubber:			
	Tyres:			
40.08.003	Exceeding 1½ in. in diameter .. .. .	20%	..	20% plus \$3.33
	per 100 lb			
40.08.009	Other .. .. .	20%	..	30%
40.11	Rubber tyres, tyre cases, interchangeable tyre treads, inner tubes and tyre flaps, for wheels of all kinds:			
	Pneumatic tyres, tyre cases, inner tubes; tyre flaps:			
	As may be approved by the Minister and under such conditions as he may prescribe:			
40.11.001	Tyres and tyre cases .. .. .	Free	..	\$5.83
40.11.002	Tubes .. .. .	Free	..	\$5.83
40.11.009	Flaps .. .. .	Free	..	\$5.83
	Other:			
	Tyres and tyre cases:			
40.11.011	Each weighing not more than 2½ lb .. .. .	\$20.00	\$20.00 plus 20%	\$20.00 plus 40%
40.11.019	Each weighing more than 2½ lb .. .. .	\$10.00	..	\$15.83
	Tubes:			
40.11.021	Each weighing not more than 1 lb .. .. .	\$20.00	\$20.00 plus 20%	\$20.00 plus 40%
40.11.029	Each weighing more than 1 lb .. .. .	\$10.00	..	\$15.83
40.11.039	Flaps .. .. .	\$10.00	..	\$15.83
40.11.041	Interchangeable tyre treads .. .. .	\$10.00	..	\$15.83
	Non-pneumatic tyres:			
40.11.051	Not exceeding 1½ in. in cross-sectional diameter .. .. .	20%	40%	45%
40.11.059	Exceeding 1½ in. in cross-sectional diameter .. .. .	20%	..	20% plus \$3.33
	per 100 lb			