

On the 8th the weather deteriorated in the north and northeast of the North Island with the approach of a depression close to Northland. In addition the weather deteriorated in Fiordland and parts of Southland and Otago with the advance of a weak trough of low pressure in that area. During the next 3 days an anticyclone, initially to the east of the South Island, moved slowly away, while the depression remained centred close to North Cape. Gales and heavy rain lashed some east coast areas from Coromandel to Whangarei, with flooding. Rain affected other northern and eastern districts of the North Island as far south as Hamilton and Waipukurau. During the next 2 days pressures remained low to the north and west with the advance of another depression over the Tasman Sea, and warm northerly winds brought rain. Some considerable falls were reported in Bay of Plenty and on the West Coast.

On the 14th and 15th an anticyclone was centred over the North Island while a deep depression passed to the south of Campbell Island. In the westerlies rain was mainly reported in the west and south of the South Island, and temperatures were warm, especially in Canterbury and Otago. During the next 2 days another small depression developed close to Northland. Considerable rain set in over most northern districts of the North Island with some also in Gisborne and Hawke's Bay, besides the West Coast and Southland. Some heavy falls were reported in the Bay of Plenty, with flooding.

On the 18th and 19th a depression developed near Cook Strait and deepened rapidly as it moved away to the east, while pressures were high over the North Tasman Sea. Cold southerlies covered most of the country, with rain mainly in eastern and northern districts of the South Island and in southern and western districts of the North Island. Snow was reported in parts of Canterbury, particularly around Methven. On the following day, as the depression moved away, some showers persisted in the Gisborne ranges, and temperatures were still rather cool.

During the 21st and 22nd a depression over the Central Tasman Sea moved over Southland and the associated trough of low pressure crossed the country. Rain was reported west of the ranges in both Islands and also in Southland, while temperatures became very warm in Otago and Canterbury. During the next 2 days another trough of low pressure brought a cool south-westerly change, with rain on the West Coast and in parts of Southland. On the 25th another very deep depression over the South Tasman Sea moved along the Southland coast, and rain was again reported mainly west of the ranges. On the following day another depression followed a somewhat more northerly path, reaching the area off the Westland coast. Rain now spread also to eastern districts of the South Island, where temperatures became very warm.

On Labour Day, the 27th, the depression drifted towards Cook Strait, with an associated trough of low pressure almost stationary east to west in the same area. Rain covered the northern half of the South Island besides considerable areas of the North Island, especially around Cook Strait. Temperatures became colder again in the east of the South Island. As the depression drifted further northward on the following day rain affected some northern districts of the North Island. On the 29th a depression passed far to the south-west and the associated trough of low pressure brought rain to the West Coast and Southland, besides some showers in Canterbury and Otago, where temperatures became warm once again. On the following day a deep depression formed east of Otago and there was a cold southerly change, with light rain mainly in the north-east of the South Island and the south-west of the North Island. On the last day of the month an anticyclone moved over the North Island and the weather was fine but still cool.

J. F. DE LISLE, Director.

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Tariff Notice No. 1975/162—Applications for Exclusion from Determination

NOTICE is hereby given that applications have been made for exclusion of goods as follows from a current determination of the Minister of Customs and for admission of such goods at the rates of duty prescribed under the substantive Tariff item therefor:

Appn. No.	Tariff Item	Goods		Rates of Duty			Part II Ref.
				Normal	B.P.	Other Pref.	
30594	84.45.021	Kasto EBS 320 V, electro, hydraulic, heavy duty hacksawing machine, for cutting metal	1975	45%*	45%*	Aul 25%* Can 25%* CPC 25%*	..
30743	84.45.021	Kasto model, PSB 350, electro, hydraulic, hacksawing machine, with a cutting capacity of 350 mm diameter	1975	45%*	45%*	Aul 25%* Can 25%* CPC 25%*	..
				*or such lower rate of duty as the Minister may in any case direct			

Any person wishing to lodge an objection to the granting of these applications should do so in writing on or before 15 January 1976. Submissions should include a reference to the application number, Tariff item and description of goods concerned, be addressed to the Comptroller of Customs, Private Bag, Wellington, and supported by information as to:

- The range of equivalent goods manufactured locally;
- The proportion of New Zealand and imported materials used in manufacture;
- Present and potential output; and
- Details of factory cost in terms of materials, labour, overhead, etc.

Dated at Wellington this 11th day of December 1975.

J. A. KEAN, Comptroller of Customs.

Tariff Notice No. 1975/163—Application for Determination

NOTICE is hereby given that application has been made for determination of rates of duty by the Minister of Customs as follows:

Appn. No.	Tariff Item	Goods		Rates of Duty			Part II Ref.
				Normal	B.P.	Other Pref.	
30768	90.25.001 Deter'n	Leak detectors for ascertaining the presence of halogeneous gases	1974 1975 1976 1977	45%* 45%* 45%* 45%*	29%* 33%* 37%* 45%*	Aul 25%* Can 25%* CPC 25%*	..
				*or such lower rate of duty as the Minister may in any case direct			

Any person wishing to lodge an objection to the granting of this application should do so in writing on or before 15 January 1976. Submissions should include a reference to the application number, Tariff item and description of goods concerned, be addressed to the Comptroller of Customs, Private Bag, Wellington, and supported by information as to:

- The quality, range, supply, etc., of the above-described goods produced in New Zealand; and
- The landed cost and selling price, including c.d.v., and cost into store in terms of f.o.b., insurance, freight, exchange, other landing charges, duty, etc., of equivalent goods of overseas origin.

Dated at Wellington this 11th day of December 1975

J. A. KEAN, Comptroller of Customs.