

## BAGGAGE, PARCELS, ETC.

Sections 43 to 51 inclusive are hereby *revoked* and the following new sections 43 to 51 are *substituted*:

**43. Passengers Baggage: General Conditions**

1. Passengers baggage is carried in accordance with the provisions of the Carriage of Goods Act 1979.
2. Railway employees are not permitted to act as agents or to undertake the charge of or accept responsibility in respect of baggage left temporarily at a station, unless the baggage has been accepted and booked and placed in the luggage room.
3. The department does not undertake to forward baggage of any description by any particular train, and will not be responsible for any baggage or parcels left about the station premises and not duly delivered to the custody of the department. Baggage left at a station should be placed in the baggage room.
4. No baggage will be allowed to be taken into railway carriages unless it can be placed in the rack without inconvenience to other passengers, nor shall any person take into or carry in a railway carriage any baggage which any official of the department may deem to be inconvenient or objectionable.
5. Except as otherwise provided, no person shall send any baggage to any railway station beyond the destination station for which his ticket is available, nor shall any person send or carry as baggage any packages containing goods that are for sale or are other than his own bona fide property. Baggage for transit inter-island must be checked under the provisions of section 45 unless it is otherwise dealt with as provided for in section 137 (rail/ferry).
6. The department may refuse any articles which, from their bulky or objectionable character, it is inexpedient to carry as passengers' baggage. Packages exceeding 100 kg in weight or 0.5 m<sup>3</sup> in measurement will not be accepted for conveyance as passengers' baggage. Such packages must be consigned, and will be conveyed and charged for, at parcels or goods rates as may be appropriate.
7. Each package must be in good order and, when presented for carriage, be distinctly addressed with the name of the passenger and the destination station to which the passenger is proceeding. All old labels must have been removed and each package locked or otherwise properly secured. The department may refuse to accept for carriage any package of baggage that does not comply with the foregoing conditions. Trunks, suitcases, bags, and other baggage containers must be such as, in the opinion of the department, will enable the packages to withstand the ordinary incidence of transport without sustaining damage. Packages of a dangerous character or liable to cause damage to other goods will not be accepted for storage or carriage as baggage.
8. Passengers will make good all damage to railway property or other goods, arising from baggage unfit for carriage or storage being handed to the department.
9. For insurance of baggage to be carried at declared value risk within the meaning of the Carriage of Goods Act 1979, see section 110.

**44. Reserved for Future Use****45. Checked Baggage**

1. Passengers will have their baggage checked free of charge to the extent of the rail, road, and rail/ferry tickets held as follows:

<i>Between</i>	<i>And</i>	<i>Route</i>
(a) Any station ...	... Any other station on the same section of railway	Rail
(b) Stations in the North Island	Stations in the South Island	Rail and Wellington-Picton/Cook Strait rail ferry service.
(c) Kaitaia, Mangakino, Rotorua, Whakatane, Opotiki or Foxton	Stations in the North Island Stations in the South Island	Rail and railway road service. Rail, railway road services, Wellington-Picton/Cook Strait rail ferry service.
(d) Gisborne ...	... Stations in the North Island	Rail and railway road services via Rotorua or Taneatua.

2. **Liability**—Subject to the Carriage of Goods Act 1979 the department will not be responsible for loss of or damage or delay to any checked baggage, if such loss, damage, or delay occurs after the same has been placed in the possession, custody, or control of any carrier other than the department, whether by land, water, or air, or of any harbour board, warehouseman, or other person, notwithstanding that the baggage may have been accepted for checking to a station on a different section of railway, or to a place that is not on the railway, nor will the department be responsible for any delay caused by failure to place any such baggage in the possession, custody, or control of any such carrier, harbour board, warehouseman or other person as aforesaid.

3. **Tendering Baggage for Checking**—Baggage may be checked from attended stations where facilities for the checking of baggage are provided. Such baggage must (without prejudice to the provisions regarding excess baggage) be delivered at least 15 minutes before the due time of departure of the train by which it is to be conveyed. The person tendering baggage to be checked must obtain a baggage check for each package.

4. **Delivery of Checked Baggage**—Except as hereinafter provided no checked baggage will be delivered until the check has been surrendered. Delivery by the department of any checked baggage to the person surrendering checks and acceptance of delivery by such person shall discharge the department of any liability in respect of the baggage. The department reserves the right to decline to deliver checked baggage at any station other than the original destination station of such baggage.

5. **Lost checks**—Any person claiming delivery of any checked baggage and who is unable to produce the check owing to it having been lost, may be required to make at his own cost, a declaration under the Oaths and Declarations Act 1957, setting forth the number of the baggage