

COOK STRAIT RAIL FERRIES

Class 6 (a)—Poisonous (toxic) substances.

Class 6 (b)—Infectious substances.

Class 7—Radioactive substances.

Class 8—Corrosives.

Class 9—Miscellaneous hazardous substances, that is any other substance which experience has shown, or may show to be of such a hazardous character that the provisions of the IMCO Regulations apply to it.

(iii) Detailed instructions on the safe packing and stowage of hazardous substances acceptable for conveyance are available from any officered railway station, Manager, Air/Sea Services, or at the offices listed in subparagraph (i) hereof of the Ministry of Transport, Marine Division.

(iv) Each receptacle containing hazardous substances shall be marked with the correct technical name (trade names shall not be used) and identified with a distinctive label or stencil of the label so as to make clear the hazardous character. Each receptacle shall be so labelled except receptacles containing chemicals packed in limited quantities and large shipments which can be stowed, handled and identified as a unit.

(v) In all documents relating to the carriage of hazardous substances by sea where the goods are named, the correct technical name of the goods is to be used (trade names must not be used) and the correct description given in accordance with subparagraph (ii) herein.

The documents prepared by the consignor shall include a Dangerous Goods Declaration Form in triplicate certifying that the goods are properly packed, marked, and labelled and in proper condition for carriage.

(vi) The foregoing instructions also refer to the carriage of hazardous substances in road vehicles. With the exception of petrol carried in the fuel tanks, hazardous substances will not be accepted for conveyance on any road vehicle without the prior authority of Manager Air/Sea Services.

(vii) Empty road tankers, and similar vehicles used for the transport of motor spirit, or like commodity, will not be conveyed on the Cook Strait rail ferries unless accompanied by a certificate, issued by a qualified industrial chemist to the effect that the vehicle is gas free.

Empty road tankers, and similar vehicles used for the transport of motor spirit, or like commodity, not accompanied by a certificate issued to the effect that the vehicles and tanks are gas free, will be treated as hazardous substances and conveyed on *Arahanga* only. (The approval of Manager, Air/Sea Services is required.)

2. Without limiting the generality of paragraph 2 of section 125 hereof, the department may refuse to accept or carry any vehicle on the rail ferry service which at the time of embarkation on any rail ferry is:

- (i) A passenger service or taxicab service or rental service or goods service vehicle within the meaning of the Transport Act 1962, which is being used to carry on any such service or which is being used to carry on a service deemed to be a goods service for the purposes of that Act, and
- (ii) Being used for any such service otherwise than pursuant to the authority and in conformity with the terms of a passenger-service licence or a taxicab-service licence or a rental-service licence or a goods service licence or is being used otherwise than in conformity with provisions of the Transport Act 1962 and the regulations made thereunder.

3. The department may refuse to accept or carry any vehicle considered by the department or the master of the vessel to be insecurely loaded or in any other way not safe for transit.

4. No loose containers of petrol or other flammable or hazardous substances are to be loaded in any vehicle.

5. When a vehicle is powered by fuels other than petrol or diesel they must be certified as safe and roadworthy by the appropriate authority. Any such vehicles may be subjected to inspection prior to shipment.

*Alterations to the Scales of Charges Upon the New Zealand Government Railways—
Amendment No. 31*

GENERAL SCALE OF CHARGES—CLASSIFICATION OF GOODS AND LIVESTOCK

PURSUANT to the Government Railways Act 1949, the Minister of Railways subject to the Carriage of Goods Act 1979 hereby makes the following alterations and additions to the Classification of Goods and Livestock, published in the *Supplement* dated the 3rd day of December 1973, to the *New Zealand Gazette* of the 29th day of November 1973, and hereby declares that such alterations and additions shall come into force on the 1st day of June 1980.

As witness my hand this 26th day of May 1980.

COLIN McLACHLAN,
Minister of Railways.