29 DOGS

29.1 Charges

29.1.1 Parcels rates: The charges for the carriage of dogs at parcels rates shall be:

Dogs, tethered (each)

At the parcels rate for 20 kilograms

Dogs, in hampers, crates or boxes

At parcels rate plus 50 percent on actual weight, with weight in excess of 25 kilograms to be treated

as a separate consignment.

Guide dogs, accompanying blind person Free

29.1.2 Dogs accompanying rail ferry passengers: The charge for dogs accompanying passengers and led on and off the vessel by the passengers shall be as follows:

Dogs, tethered (each)

\$6.10 Free

Guide dogs, accompanying blind person

The foregoing rates are at "limited carrier's risk" and will be reduced by two percent where passengers require that dogs be carried at "owner's risk".

29.1.3 Inter-island consignments of dogs: Dogs not accompanying passengers must be consigned as parcels and shall not be accepted or delivered at wharf terminals.

29.2 Terminal charge

In the case of dogs unaccompanied by a passenger the terminal charge at the stations specified in clause 24.5 shall be made in addition to the charges prescribed in clause 29.1.

29.3 Delivery

Passengers or consignees must take delivery of dogs immediately on arrival of the service at the destination point, failing which the dogs shall be held by the Corporation at the sole risk and responsibility of the owner. A charge of \$2.40 per day or portion of a day shall be made for each animal which is not taken delivery of immediately on arrival at the destination point. In addition to this charge owners shall be required to pay any charge that may have been incurred for food, veterinary charges, and the like.

29.4 Addressing and advance presentation

Dogs must bear a label showing distinctly the name and full address of the consignee and the destination point and, except when accompanying passengers, must be delivered to the Corporation and consigned not less than 30 minutes before the due time of departure of the service by which they are to be forwarded.

29.5 Confining of dog

The Corporation reserves the right to require that any dog presented for carriage shall be efficiently muzzled or confined in a cage, box or other suitable receptacle so as to prevent such dog from biting any person. The Corporation shall not be liable for the loss of any dog if such loss arises directly or indirectly from any tendency on the part of such dog to bite any person.

29.6 Tethering

Dogs not secured in hampers, crates, or boxes must be provided with efficient chains and collars, or other suitable means of tether. Dogs in hampers, crates, or boxes must be properly secured so as to prevent damage to other goods.

29.7 Dogs accompanying passengers

Passengers accompanied by dogs must obtain a dog ticket at least 15 minutes before the due time of departure of the service except that when the journey is by rail and commenced from a station at which there are no booking facilities the passenger shall obtain a dog ticket from the guard. The ticket must be given up at the end of the journey before the dog is delivered. Owners must see their dogs safely placed on the service.

29.8 Rail accommodation

With the exception of guide dogs accompanying blind persons, dogs will be conveyed by passenger trains only when there is sufficient space or facilities in the guard's van for their accommodation and shall not be allowed in carriages.

29.9 Corporation's liability

The Corporation shall not be liable for loss when a dog, whether accompanied by a passenger or consigned, escapes through the slipping of the collar or the breakage of the chain, collar, or such other means of tether by which it is secured.

30 CORPSES

30.1 Wagon charges

The following wagon rates will be charged for the conveyance of corpses:

Per four wheeled wagon

Class M rates

Per bogie wagon

Double class M rates.

30.2 Passenger trains

The conveyance of corpses by passenger trains shall be at the option of the Corporation.

30.3 Packed casket

Where a casket containing a corpse is enclosed in a suitable outer packing case and the exclusive use of a wagon is not required, charges on gross weight at class A rates shall apply.

31 NEWSPAPERS, PERIODICALS, AND STEREOTYPE CASTS

31.1 Charges

Newspapers and periodicals shall be conveyed at the following rates:

31.1.1 Bulk consignments: Packages of newspapers and periodicals shall be charged at the rate of \$4.61 per 50 kilograms on the gross weight forwarded by the same consignor irrespective of the distance the packages are railed, provided that they are accompanied by a consignment note showing the number of packages for each station and the total weight of the whole consignment and subject to the following minimum quantities:

Newspapers Periodicals 500 kilograms per week 4 tonnes each 4 weeks