

Goods 43.1.18/43.4.2

43.1.18 Sale of undelivered livestock: Subject to the provisions of the New Zealand Railways Corporation Act 1981 any livestock not taken delivery of within one week after arrival at destination may, after notice to take delivery of same has been given to the owner or consignee or consignor, be sold by auction and the proceeds applied in payment of any sums payable in respect of such livestock and the expense of selling the same, and the balance (if any) remaining after such payment shall be paid to the owner on application. If neither the owner nor the consignor nor the consignee is known, or if they cannot be found, requests for delivery to be taken of the livestock published in any newspaper circulating in the district or posted for a period of not less than three days at the destination station of the livestock shall be sufficient notice.

43.1.19 Overcrowding, sickness, injury: Any animal that, through sickness or through injury received from other animals in a wagon, or through animals in a wagon being unduly crowded or other similar circumstances, is taken out of a wagon and subsequently transported to its destination in another wagon, shall be charged as a separate consignment from the station at which it was removed from the original wagon to such destination station. In addition, any other necessary expenses incurred in connection with such sickness, injury, or removal shall be charged. When livestock is unloaded and reloaded by the Corporation, owing to the wagons being overcrowded or the animals being down in the wagon, the charges for the services of unloading and reloading shall be based on the actual cost to the Corporation of the services performed.

43.1.20 Stoppage in transit: Should the transport of any livestock be stopped by order of any Government official at any point either before, during, or after transit and whilst still in the possession of the Corporation in consequence of any breach by the consignor or consignee of any regulations concerning diseases of animals, or in consequence of any law or regulation prohibiting importation of such livestock or the like, the Corporation shall, on receiving such order to stop, be taken and considered to have fulfilled its obligations to deliver the said livestock and may deal with the same accordingly. In such cases the Corporation shall not be liable to make any allowance of freight paid, and the consignor or consignee shall not be relieved from his obligation to pay freight.

43.1.21 Poultry: The Corporation shall not receive live poultry for carriage except in properly constructed coops, cases, or crates of a suitable size.

43.2 Wagon rates

43.2.1 Charges: The following wagon rates shall be charged for the carriage of livestock:

H wagons	Class M
Hc or Jc wagons	Class M plus one third
T wagons	Class M double rate

43.2.2 Reconsigned wagons: If wagons of livestock consigned to one station are on arrival at that station reconsigned without being unloaded, railage charges shall be computed on the through journey from the original forwarding station to the final destination station. Diversion charges provided in clause 21.2 will also apply.

43.3 Mixed consignments

Mixed consignments of cattle, horses, ponies, foals, hounds, or drover's dogs loaded in the same wagon shall be charged separately for each class of animal or as one lot as "cattle", whichever is the cheaper. Where mixed consignments are carried and charged at the small lots scale, the first animal rate in clause 43.5.1 shall be charged for the highest rated animal in each wagon and the respective rates for the remaining animals.

43.4 Part wagons

43.4.1 Right of Corporation to fill wagon: When a wagon is only partially occupied by a consignment of livestock, the Corporation reserves the right to fill the wagon to its full carrying capacity with other livestock. If a whole wagon is specially required by the consignor, the wagon rate shall be charged, irrespective of the number of animals.

43.4.2 Multiple consignments: When one consignor, or two different consignors at one forwarding station, load sheep, calves, lambs, or pigs on separate decks of a Jc wagon to the same consignee, or different consignees at the one destination station, each consignment shall be charged at the small lots scale.