(B) WOOL AND ANIMAL FIBRE

The Woven Cloth (Wool and Animal Fibre) (Manufacture, Marking and Supply) Order, 1948

1948 No. 305

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The Board of Trade in pursuance of the powers conferred upon them by Regulation 55 of the Defence (General) Regulations, 1939(**a**), as having effect by virtue of the Supplies and Services (Transitional Powers) Act, 1945(**b**), as extended by the Supplies and Services (Extended Purposes) Act, 1947(**c**), hereby order as follows:—

1. A person who on the 1st day of September, 1941, was not a manufacturer of cloth to which this Order applies, and whose name is not for the time being entered on any part of the Register of Manufacturers of Woven Cloth (Wool and Animal Fibre) kept by the Board of Trade for the purposes of the Consumer Rationing (Consolidation) Order, 1947(**d**), shall not manufacture any such cloth or supply any such cloth manufactured by him.

2.*—(1) A person shall not in the course of his business manufacture any blanket from cloth to which this Order applies or supply any such blanket manufactured by him.

(2) No person shall manufacture cloth to which this Order applies from hand knitting yarn.

3.—(1) Any person who, in the course of his business, and in accordance with an authority issued to him by the Board of Trade relating to the manufacture of utility goods, manufactures cloth to which this Order applies complying with a specification included in the Schedule hereto shall apply to such cloth the utility mark and the specification number indicated in the Schedule in relation to such cloth, such number being prefixed by the letter "P" in the case of cloth manufactured—

(*a*) from yarn acquired in accordance with a wool ration certificate issued in respect of a period ending before the commencement of this Order, or

(*b*) from yarn in respect of which the Board of Trade has issued an authority to manufacture therefrom utility goods in respect of a period ending before the commencement of this Order.

(**a**) *See* Note, p. 15 above.

(**b**) 9 & 10 Geo. 6. c. 10; S.R. & O. 1945 (Nos. 1611 and 1618) II, pp. 39 and 48.

(**c**) 10 & 11 Geo. 6. c. 55. (**d**) S.R. & O. 1947 (No. 12) II, p. 266.

* Articles 2A, 2B. 2C, and 2D added, *see* pp. 344–5 below.

(2) Cloth complying with a specification included in the Schedule hereto includes

(*a*) a finished cloth of a nature specified in the second column, of the width specified in the third column, complying with any limitation of weight specified in the fourth column, and of which the maximum price is more than that specified in the fifth column and not more than that specified in the sixth column; or

(*b*) a cloth in the grey state of a nature specified in the second column, of such width and weight that when subjected to the processes of finishing usual in the case of such cloth it would be of the width specified in the third column, would comply with any limitation of weight specified in the fourth column, and would be such that the maximum price thereof would be more than that specified in the fifth column and not more than that specified in the sixth column; or

(*c*) a cloth finished or in the grey state of a nature specified in the second column being cloth the width of which differs from that referred to in the relevant preceding paragraph but—

(i) the weight of which if it were adjusted proportionately to the relation between the actual width and the width referred to in that paragraph or the mean of such widths referred to, as the case may be, would comply with any limitation of weight specified in the fourth column, or would so comply when subjected to the processes of finishing aforesaid, and

(ii) the maximum price of which, if it were so adjusted, would be more than that specified in the fifth column and not more than that specified in the sixth column, or would be more than that specified in the fifth column and not more than that specified in the sixth column when subjected to the processes of finishing aforesaid.

(3) In this Article wool ration certificate means any document specified in the Schedule to the Control of Wool (No. 27) Order, 1946(**a**).

(4) For the purposes of this Article, the maximum price of any cloth shall be deemed to be the maximum price chargeable by the manufacturer thereof in respect of a sale of that cloth calculated in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Yarn and Cloth (Wool and Animal Fibre) (Maximum Prices and Charges) Order, 1948(**b**).

4. The provisions of Article 18 of the Utility Mark and Apparel and Textiles (General Provisions) Order, 1947(**c**), shall apply to the operation and interpretation of this Order as if they were herein set out.

5. Nothing in this Order shall prohibit the doing of anything under the authority of a licence issued by the Board of Trade hereunder and in accordance with any condition attaching thereto.

6. The cloth to which this Order applies is cloth, whether or not subjected to any process of finishing, woven on looms and of which the textile content comprises more than 15 per cent. by weight of fibre (whether or not subjected to any process of manufacture or recovery) from the coat or fleece of alpaca, camel, goat, hare, lamb, llama, rabbit, sheep, vicuna, or yak, or of horsehair.

(**a**) S.R. & O. 1946 (No. 440) II, p. 1491. (**b**) S.I. 1948 (No. 304) I, p. 1535.
(**c**) S.R. & O. 1947 (No. 2642) II, p. 160.

7.—(1) The Woven Wool Cloth (Manufacture and Supply) (Consolidation) Directions, 1946(**a**), the Woven Wool Cloth (Manufacture and Supply) (Amendment) Directions, 1946(**b**), the Woven Wool Cloth (Manufacture and Supply) (Amendment) (No. 2) Directions, 1947(**c**), the Woven Wool Cloth (Manufacture and Supply) (Amendment) (No. 3) Directions, 1947(**d**), and the Woven Wool Cloth (Manufacture and Supply) (Amendment) (No. 4) Directions, 1947(**e**), are hereby revoked, but any current licence issued thereunder shall have effect for the purposes of this Order as if it had been issued hereunder with any necessary consequential amendments thereto.

(2) This Order may be cited as the Woven Cloth (Wool and Animal Fibre) (Manufacture, Marking and Supply) Order, 1948, and shall come into operation on the 1st day of March, 1948.

Dated this 19th day of February, 1948.

Arthur G. Bottomley,
A Parliamentary Secretary to the Board of Trade.

SCHEDULE

[*New schedule substituted, see* pp. 347–9 *below.*]

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of this Order, but is intended to indicate its general purport.)

This Order replaces the Woven Wool Cloth (Manufacture and Supply) (Consolidation) Directions, 1946 (S.R. & O. 1946 No. 797) and subsequent amending Directions (S.R. & O. 1946 No. 2256, 1947 Nos. 783, 1766, and 2451). The main alterations from those Directions are as follows:—

(1) The prices in columns 5 and 6 are raised except in the case of cloth with the specification number 110; in the case of cloths with the specification numbers 231, 232, and 233 the price in column 6 only has been raised.

(2) All the prices in columns 5 and 6 of the Schedule are now calculated in net measure.

(3) The specification numbers 201, 203, 205, 218, and 220A have been omitted from the Schedule together with the particulars relating thereto.

(4) Cloths which carry a partial subsidy will be marked by the letter " P " to distinguish them from cloths on which no subsidy has been paid.

(5) Provision is made for the prohibition of the use of hand-knitting yarn for weaving and of the manufacture of blankets except under licence from cloth to which this Order applies.

(**a**) S.R. & O. 1946 (No. 797) II, p. 376. (**b**) S.R. & O. 1946 (No. 2256) II, p. 378.
(**c**) S.R. & O. 1947 (No. 783) noted, II, p. 174.
(**d**) S.R. & O. 1947 (No. 1766) noted, II, p. 174.
(**e**) S.R. & O. 1947 (No. 2451) noted, II, p. 174.