

SCHEDULE.

Description.	Maximum Prices F.O.R. Makers' Works.	
	England, Wales and Ireland.	Scotland.
Firebricks. Highest Grade.		
9 in. × 4½ in. × 3 in. Squares	152/6 per 1,000	152/6 per 1,000.
9 in. × 4½ in. × 2½ in. "	135/- " " }	
Blast Furnace Linings and Special Bricks	77/6 per ton.	77/6 per ton.
Best quality Ground Fireclay	24/- " "	24/- " "
Gas Retorts, to standard Specification	11/- per foot.	11/- " "

Board of Trade,
7 Whitehall Gardens,
London, S.W. 1.

THE HAY AND STRAW ORDER, No. 4,
1918, DATED 19TH NOVEMBER 1918,
MADE BY THE BOARD OF TRADE
UNDER REGULATIONS 2F AND 2JJ
OF THE DEFENCE OF THE REALM
REGULATIONS.

The Board of Trade, deeming it expedient to make further exercise of the powers conferred upon them by Regulations 2F and 2JJ of the Defence of the Realm Regulations for the purpose of regulating and maintaining the supply of hay and straw, hereby order as follows:—

1. This Order applies to all horses in Great Britain except those mentioned in the First Schedule.

2. No person, without the consent in writing of the Controller of Horse Transport, shall feed or cause or permit to be fed any long hay to any horse to which this Order applies.

3. No person, without such consent as aforesaid, shall feed or cause or permit to be fed to any such horses any hay except in accordance with the scale set out in the Second Schedule.

4. No person, without such consent as aforesaid, shall use any oat straw, wheat straw or hay for the purpose of bedding horses or for the purpose of packing.

5. No person shall manufacture for sale or sell any mixed chaff containing less than two-thirds of hay, and if required by the purchaser the vendor shall give him at the time of sale a written certificate to that effect, and shall also if required supply hay chaff and straw chaff separately.

6. Any person or persons in possession of a horse or horses to which this Order applies shall keep a record in writing in sufficient detail to show (1) the number of horses kept by him in each class referred to in Schedule II.; (2) the total maximum daily ration of hay authorised by this Order for such horse or horses; (3) the quantity of hay fed to such horse or horses each week; (4) the quantity of all hay and chaff purchased and the date of such purchase. Such records shall at all reasonable times be open to the inspection of an Officer of Police or any person authorised by the Controller of Horse Transport.

7. In this Order "Horse" includes a mare, gelding, colt, filly, pony, mule and ass. "Hay" includes clover. "Chaff" means any chopped hay or straw.

8. If any person owning a horse or horses, or having control or management of a horse or horses for the time being, acts in contravention of this Order or aids or abets any other person in doing anything in contravention of this Order, that person is guilty of a summary Offence against the Defence of the Realm Regulations.

9. (a) This Order may be cited as the Hay and Straw Order, No. 4, 1918.

(b) This Order shall come into force on the first day of December 1918, and the Hay and Straw Order, No. 3, 1918, is hereby revoked as from that day, without prejudice to any proceedings in respect of any previous infringement thereof, and without prejudice to any exemptions granted thereunder.

W. F. MARWOOD,
A Secretary to the Board of Trade.

SCHEDULE I.

Horses excluded from the operation of this Order:—

(a) Horses owned by the Army Council, the Admiralty or the Air Council.

(b) Horses maintained and used exclusively for agricultural purposes.

(c) Stallions used exclusively for stud purposes, brood mares, weaned foals and yearlings.

SCHEDULE II.

Maximum Daily
Ration of Hay.

Class of Horse.

(a) Heavy dray and cart horses, and heavy trotting vanners ..	12 lb.
(b) Light dray and cart horses and light trotting vanners ..	9 "
(c) Other light horses and cobs ..	6 "
(d) Ponies 14 hands and under ..	5 "
(e) Race horses	7 "

NOTE.—(1) Pit horses and ponies working in the pits or at the pit mouth may be given 4lb. of hay extra per day.

(2) Unbroken horses at grass or turned out may be fed on 5 lb. of long hay per day.

(3) It may be necessary for the Central