

Now, therefore, His Majesty is pleased, by and with the advice of His Privy Council, to order, and it is hereby ordered, that the following amendments be made in the said regulations:—

1. The following provision shall be inserted at the end of Regulations 2B, 2E, 7, and 8cc:—

“and the Food Controller may by order direct that any action in contravention of, or failure to comply with, this regulation or any order or requirement made thereunder, shall, so far as it relates to the powers of the Food Controller, instead of being an offence, be a summary offence against these regulations, and this regulation shall have effect accordingly.”

2. The following paragraph shall be added at the end of sub-section (4) of Regulation 2J:—

“Any order made by the Board of Trade under Regulations 2E or 15c may direct that contravention or failure to comply therewith shall, instead of being an offence, be a summary offence against these regulations, and these regulations shall have effect accordingly.”

3. Regulation 7B shall be amended as follows:—

(1) The following paragraphs shall be added to sub-section (1):—

(f) for prescribing the conditions on which tickets may be issued and passengers carried, either generally or in specified localities, or for journeys exceeding specified distances, and for enabling priority to be given on railways to any passengers or classes of passengers, and for enabling railway companies to refuse to carry passengers, and to refuse access to stations or trains in order to give priority to other passengers, and to remove passengers obtaining such access without authority:

(g) for removing any statutory or other obligation to issue season tickets and for limiting the number of such tickets that may be issued by prescribing the persons to whom or the conditions on which such tickets may be issued or renewed, subject to such exceptions as may be provided for in the order:

(h) for the calling in and cancellation of season tickets of any description:

(j) for restricting or prohibiting through booking facilities, and the issue of return tickets:

(k) for enabling railway companies to refuse to accept goods for carriage by rail where other means of transport exist, subject to such conditions as may be prescribed by the order:

(2) The following words shall be added to sub-section (3):—

“or part of a railway, or to any particular locality.”

4. As from the twenty-seventh day of May, nineteen hundred and eighteen, Regulation 24c shall be revoked and Regulations 24 and 24B shall be amended in manner hereinafter appearing, that is to say:—

Regulation 24 shall be amended as follows:—

(1) For the words from “or (b) without a permit” to “enemy country” (both inclusive) there shall be substituted the following words:—

“(2) The Admiralty or Army Council may either—

(a) generally by order, or

(b) in the case of particular persons by written notice

(which order or notice may be varied from time to time), prohibit the despatch or conveyance from the United Kingdom, otherwise than through the post, of”

(2) For the words “paragraph (a) does not apply” there shall be substituted the following words, “sub-section (1) does not apply, except with such permission or on such conditions as may be specified in the order or notice.”

(3) The paragraph beginning “The foregoing provisions” and ending “a Secretary of State” shall be made a separate sub-section numbered (3).

(4) Sub-section (2) shall be numbered sub-section (4) and in that sub-section for the words “or fails to comply with any condition subject to which a permit under this regulation” there shall be substituted the words “or if any person affected by any such order or notice fails to comply therewith, or with any condition contained therein, or with any condition subject to which a permission thereunder”

(5) Sub-section (3) shall be numbered sub-section (5).

Regulation 24B shall be amended as follows:—

(1) For sub-section (1) down to and including the word “except” there shall be substituted the following words:—

“The Admiralty or the Army Council may either—

(a) generally by order, or

(b) in the case of any particular persons by written notice

(which order or notice may be varied from time to time), prohibit the despatch by post from the United Kingdom of postal packets of any class or description specified in the order or notice except with such permission or on such conditions as may be specified in the order or notice.

“The foregoing provision shall not apply to—”

(2) For sub-section (2) there shall be substituted the following sub-section:—

“(2) If any person affected by any such order or notice fails to comply therewith, or with any condition contained therein, or with any condition subject to which permission thereunder has been granted, he shall be guilty of an offence against these regulations.”

(3) In sub-section (3) for the words “through the post any printed or written matter” there shall be substituted the words “any postal packet,” and for the words “the printed or written matter” there shall be substituted the words “the matter contained in the postal packet.”