

War Office,
8th May, 1918.

ARMY COUNCIL ORDER.

MAXIMUM PRICES OF HAY AND STRAW IN GREAT BRITAIN AND IRELAND AND THE ISLE OF MAN.—AMENDMENT.

Whereas by Order of 17th July, 1917, the Army Council in pursuance of the powers conferred on them by the Defence of the Realm Regulations did regulate the price of hay and oat straw and wheat straw and of chopped hay and oat and wheat straw in Great Britain and Ireland and in the Isle of Man.

And whereas it is desired to amend the said Order of 17th July, 1917, by substituting for Schedules III. and V. contained in the said Order the Schedules hereinafter appearing.

Now therefore, in pursuance of the powers conferred on them by the Defence of the Realm Regulations, the Army Council do hereby cancel Schedules III and V of the said Order of 17th July, 1917, and substitute the following Schedules in lieu thereof.

SCHEDULE III.

(LONG HAY AND STRAW.)

The maximum prices per stone of 14 lbs. for quantities not exceeding 10 cwt. which a seller may not exceed are as follows:—

Hay.	Oat Straw.	Wheat Straw.
1s. 2d.	9½d.	8½d.

The above prices are deemed to include commission and all costs and charges of whatever nature for hay and straw delivered to the consumer's or purchaser's premises. Provided that where a would-be buyer gives an order for a quantity exceeding 10 cwt. (such quantity being reasonable having regard to his normal requirements), and owing to a shortage of supplies the seller's stock is insufficient to enable him to fulfil such order by one delivery, then the price shall not exceed that laid down in Schedule II. (a copy of which is set out at the foot of this Order) of the said Order of 17th July, 1917, excepting that the seller may charge, in addition to the price laid down in Schedule II.

COPY OF SCHEDULE II. OF THE ORDER OF 17th JULY, 1917.

(LONG HAY AND STRAW.)

Maximum prices per ton for quantities exceeding 10 cwt. which a seller may not exceed.

	Hay.	Oat Straw.	Wheat Straw.
To 31st Dec., 1917 ...	£7 10 0	£5 0 0	£4 10 0
To 31st Jan., 1918 ...	7 12 9	5 1 6	4 11 3
To 28th Feb., 1918 ...	7 15 6	5 3 0	4 12 6
To 31st Mar., 1918 ...	7 18 3	5 4 6	4 13 9
After 31st Mar., 1918 ...	8 1 0	5 6 0	4 15 0

The above prices are deemed to include commission and all costs and charges incurred of

aforsaid, the actual cost of delivery, which must be a reasonable one, for each delivery after the first until the full amount of the buyer's order has been fulfilled.

Invoices or bills must be rendered to the buyer clearly setting out the charges for delivery as separate items from the charges for the hay or straw.

SCHEDULE V.

(CHOPPED HAY AND STRAW.)

The maximum prices per stone of 14 lbs. of quantities not exceeding 10 cwt. which a seller may not exceed are as follows:—

Chopped Hay mixed with 20 % of Chopped Straw.	Chopped Oat Straw.	Chopped Wheat Straw.
1s. 2d.	9½d.	8½d.

The above prices are deemed to include commission and all costs and charges of whatever nature for "chop" delivered on to the consumer's or purchaser's premises, excepting that where it is delivered in returnable sacks or bags, an additional ½d. per stone may be added to the above prices.

Provided that where a would-be buyer gives an order for a quantity exceeding 10 cwt. (such quantity being reasonable having regard to his normal requirements), and owing to a shortage of supplies the seller's stock is insufficient to enable him to fulfil such order by one delivery, then the price shall not exceed that laid down in Schedule IV. (a copy of which is set out at the foot of this Order) of the said Order of 17th July, 1917, excepting that the seller may charge in addition to the price laid down in Schedule IV. aforsaid, the actual cost of delivery, which must be a reasonable one, for each delivery after the first until the full amount of the buyer's order has been fulfilled.

Invoices and bills must be rendered to the buyer clearly setting out the charges for delivery as separate items from the charges for the chopped hay or straw.

Save as aforsaid nothing in this Order affects the said Order of 17th July, 1917.

whatever nature for hay and straw delivered on to the consumer's or purchaser's premises.

COPY OF SCHEDULE IV. OF THE ORDER OF 17th JULY, 1917.

(CHOPPED HAY AND STRAW.)

	Chopped Hay mixed with 20 per cent. Chopped Straw.	Chopped Oat Straw.	Chopped Wheat Straw.
To 31st Dec., 1917 ...	£7 10 0	£5 0 0	£4 10 0
To 31st Jan., 1918 ...	7 12 9	5 1 6	4 11 3
To 28th Feb., 1918 ...	7 15 6	5 3 0	4 12 6
To 31st Mar., 1918 ...	7 18 3	5 4 6	4 13 9
After 31st Mar., 1918 ...	8 1 0	5 6 0	4 15 0

The above prices are deemed to include commission and all costs and charges of whatever nature for "chop" delivered on to the consumer's or purchaser's premises, excepting that where it is delivered in returnable sacks or

bags a sum equal to 7s. 6d. per ton may be added to the above prices.

By Order of the Army Council.

R. H. Brade.