

Defence of the Realm Regulations, hereby order as follows:—

1. In this Order the expression Omnibus means a vehicle in which passengers are carried for hire and which is constructed to carry more than six persons including the driver, and includes a char-a-banc, wagonette, brake, stage-coach or carriage constructed as aforesaid.

2. No person shall drive a horse or cause or permit any horse to be driven in an omnibus except—

(a) While plying for hire upon any route on which it was regularly accustomed to run during the month of March 1918 or upon any route which is certified by the Chief Officer of Police for the area in which such route is situate to be necessary or desirable in the interest of the Travelling Public.

(b) For conveying passengers, luggage or goods to or from a railway station or port in connection with a journey by rail or sea.

(c) For the conveyance of workmen to or from their work.

(d) For the conveyance of sick or injured persons from one hospital, nursing or convalescent home to another, or between such a place and their residences.

(e) For the carriage of mails.

(f) On any sudden or urgent necessity where life or limb is or may be endangered.

(g) For any purpose for which permission in writing has been granted by the Controller of Horse Transport.

3. Nothing in paragraph 2 (a) of this Order shall prevent one omnibus being substituted for another on the same route, but so that the total number of omnibuses plying on the same route be not increased.

4. This Order does not apply to Ireland.

5. Infringements of this Order are summary offences against the Defence of the Realm Regulations.

6. This Order may be cited as the Horses Order No. 2, 1918, and shall come into force on July 25th, 1918.

H. Llewellyn Smith,

A Secretary of the Board of Trade.

NOTE.—The address of the Controller of Horse Transport is 7, Whitehall Gardens, London, S.W. 1.

THE HAY AND STRAW ORDER, No. 2 1918, DATED JULY 18TH 1918, MADE BY THE BOARD OF TRADE UNDER REGULATION 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 afore-

said shall feed or cause or permit to be fed to any such horse any chaff except in accordance with the scale set out in the second Schedule.

4. No chaff shall be fed to any such horse which contains less than one-third of straw.

5. No person shall manufacture or sell any chaff containing less than one-third of straw.

6. Any person in possession of a horse to which this Order applies shall keep a record in writing showing (1) the number and class of horses kept by him; (2) the total maximum daily ration of chaff authorised by this Order; (3) the description and quantity of chaff fed to such horse each week; (4) the description and quantity of all hay and straw and chaff purchased by him 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. No straw shall be used for the purpose of bedding horses.

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

9. This Order shall come into effect on 25th July 1918.

10. The Hay and Straw Order 1918 is hereby revoked.

11. Infringements of this Order are summary offences against the Defence of the Realm Regulations.

12. This Order may be cited as the Hay and Straw Order No. 2 1918.

H. Llewellyn Smith,

A Secretary to the Board of Trade.

SCHEDULE I.

Horses excluded from the operation of this Order:—

(a) Horses in the possession of the Army Council, the Admiralty or the Air Board, or exclusively used for the purposes of the Army Council, the Admiralty or the Air Board.

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

(c) Stallions used exclusively for stud purposes, Brood Mares, weaned foals and yearlings.

SCHEDULE II.

Class of Horse.	Maximum Daily Ration of Chaff.
(a) Heavy Dray and Cart Horses and Trotting Vanners ...	16 lbs.
(b) Light Draught Horses and Light Trotting Vanners ...	14 lbs.
(c) Other Light Horses and Cobs...	9 lbs.
(d) Ponies 14 hands and under ...	7 lbs.
(e) Racehorses registered with the Controller of Horse Transport for the purposes of the limited racing scheme ...	8 lbs.

Note.—Pit Horses and Ponies working in the Pits or at the Pit Mouth may be given 2 lbs. of Chaff extra per day.

Correspondence with respect to this Order should be addressed to the Controller of Horse Transport, 7, Whitehall Gardens, London, S.W. 1.