

Monthly Standard Tonnages.

(c) After the fixation of the Annual Standard Tonnages every Coalowner shall declare by notice in writing to the Secretary the monthly proportions in which he requires the Committee to allocate the Annual Standard Tonnage of his coal mine or undertaking over the twelve months of each year ending on the 30th day of April, and if the Committee shall be satisfied that such declared allocations are not prejudicial to the interests of other Coalowners they shall fix the allocated monthly tonnages as the Monthly Standard Tonnages of the coal mine or undertaking concerned. After the Committee shall have fixed such Monthly Standard Tonnages the same shall not be altered by the Coalowner concerned during the year in question except with the sanction of the Committee and in such manner as may be so sanctioned.

(d) If a Coalowner of any Section shall purchase or otherwise acquire a coal mine or undertaking situate in another Section such Coalowner shall, with the approval of the Committee, be entitled to the standard tonnage of the coal mine or undertaking, so purchased or acquired subject to any adjustment of such standard tonnage which the Committee shall deem necessary having regard to the circumstances.

Method of Fixing Coking Standard Tonnages.

(9) The Committee shall fix for every coal mine or undertaking concerned a Coking Standard Tonnage for each month (hereinafter called "month of fixation") as next herein provided, that is to say:—

The Committee shall ascertain from each Coalowner concerned the tonnage of coal raised and supplied during the month immediately prior to the month of fixation from the coal mine or coal mines of such Coalowner to coking plants in Great Britain and used thereat in the manufacture of metallurgical coke. Such tonnage (herein called "Coking Standard Tonnage") shall be deducted from the Monthly Standard Tonnage of the coal mine or undertaking concerned allocated (under sub-Clause (8) (c) of this Clause) in respect of the month of fixation and shall be deemed to be the Coking Standard Tonnage of the coal mine or undertaking for the month of fixation. The balance of Monthly Standard Tonnage remaining after such deduction shall be deemed to be the General Standard Tonnage for the month of fixation of the coal mine or undertaking concerned for all the purposes of the Scheme.

Every coal mine or undertaking from which coking coal is raised and supplied for the purposes of this now reciting sub-Clause (9) shall be deemed to have two standard tonnages, one a General Standard Tonnage and the other a Coking Standard Tonnage as determined under this sub-Clause (9). Any coal mine or undertaking not entitled to a Coking Standard Tonnage shall be deemed to have only an Annual Standard Tonnage determined under sub-Clause (8) of this Clause, unless the Committee shall at any time fix standard tonnages in respect of any other class of coal.

(10) (a) In any case where the annual standard tonnage of a coal mine or undertaking cannot be ascertained in accordance with the provisions of sub-Clause (8) of this Clause the Committee shall decide the basis of the standard tonnage and shall fix the same having regard to the special circumstances of such coal mine or undertaking.

(b) The Committee shall have power to fix a monthly standard tonnage in lieu of an annual standard tonnage for any coal mine or undertaking which in their opinion has an increasing or diminishing output or for any coal mine or undertaking the standard tonnage of which is fixed under the provisions of paragraph (a) of this sub-Clause and to revise such monthly standard tonnage from month to month until they shall decide to fix an annual standard tonnage in lieu of such monthly standard tonnage. In fixing monthly standard tonnages under this paragraph the Committee may have regard to the estimated monthly requirements of the coal mine or undertaking concerned, and to the monthly standard tonnages of other coal mines or undertakings as fixed under sub-Clause (8) of this Clause.

(c) The Committee shall have power in those cases where they fix a standard tonnage for a coal mine or undertaking on a monthly basis under the provisions of paragraph (b) of this sub-clause at any time to decide that such coal mine or undertaking shall have an annual standard tonnage and shall determine such annual standard tonnage having regard to the special circumstances of the coal mine or undertaking. Prior to the fixing of such annual standard tonnage the Committee shall have the right to appoint a sub-Committee from their own number (with such outside assistance as they may decide) to visit and inspect any such coal mine or undertaking and to report to the Committee whether an annual standard tonnage should be fixed therefor, and if so the annual standard tonnage which they recommend should be so fixed.

(d) Any standard tonnage granted from time to time under this sub-Clause (10) in any Section shall be added to the then existing Aggregate Annual Sectional Standard Tonnage of the Section in which the mines or undertakings to which such standard tonnage is granted are situate.

Standard Tonnage Assessor.

(11) The Committee shall with the authority of the Executive Board have power to appoint an independent person as an Assessor to assist them in carrying out any of their functions under the Scheme, and shall define the duties and remuneration of such Assessor in the Resolution of the Committee appointing him.

16. QUOTA COMMITTEE.

Quota Committee.

(a) The Quota Committee shall be constituted and appointed in the manner and upon the basis set forth in Clause 15 hereof with regard to the constitution and appointment of the Standard Tonnage Committee:

Provided that the Executive Board shall appoint not more than five of their own