

**Government Circular No. 856.**

Reference No. 7949/1/2.

G.



R.

**DEFENCE OF THE REALM.**

---

---

***The Flour and Bread (Prices) Order, 1920.***

---

---

HIS EXCELLENCY THE LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR having issued under the provisions of the Defence of the Realm Regulations an Order dated 14th September, 1920 (a copy of which is appended), termed the Flour and Bread (Prices) Order, 1920, the following Directions are issued for compliance by all concerned.

1. A person shall not sell or offer or expose for sale or buy or offer to buy by retail any bread or flour at prices exceeding the maximum prices provided by or under these Directions.

2. (a) The maximum price on the sale of bread by any person shall be a price calculated at the rate at which bread was charged for by him on the 11th August, 1920, and the maximum price for a loaf of bread shall be the price charged by the seller on the 11th August, 1920, for a loaf of the like weight.

(b) This Clause shall not apply to bread sold for consumption on the premises of the seller.

3. The maximum price on the sale of flour by any person shall be a price calculated at the rate at which flour was charged for by him on the 11th August, 1920, and where different quantities were charged for at different rates, the maximum price on the sale of any quantity shall be a price at the rate charged for that quantity.

4. A charge may be made for delivery or credit not exceeding the usual customary charge on the 11th August, 1920.

5. Millers, Bakers, and other retailers of flour are required to furnish to the Government Secretary on Form Q.1. (which is now in course of distribution) a return of Stocks, etc., held at the close of business on Saturday, 18th September, 1920. This form must be completed and posted or taken to the Government Office before midnight Monday, September 20th, 1920.

6. Millers, Bakers, and other retailers of flour are required to furnish to the Government Secretary on Form Q 2. (which will be distributed at a later date) a return of Wheat and Flour purchased and used, etc., during the four weekly period September 20th—October 16th, 1920. This form must be completed and posted or taken to the Government Office before midnight Monday, October 18th, 1920.

7. Compensation will be paid in respect of such Wheat and Flour purchased at the increased price, and used or sold during the four weekly period ending 16th October, 1920.

8. In the event of the quantity of Wheat and Flour used and sold at the controlled prices during the four weekly period ending October 16th, 1920, being less than the Stock on hand on September 18th, 1920, a refund must be made to the Government Treasurer in respect of the difference.

9. Failure to comply with any of these Directions is a summary offence under the Defence of the Realm Regulations,

10. Copies of the Order may be obtained from Messrs S. K. Broadbent & Co., Ltd., price 1½d. each.

By Order of the Lieutenant-Governor,

B. E. SARGEANT,

Government Secretary.

Government Office,  
Isle of Man,  
17th September, 1920.

In exercise of the powers conferred upon him by the Defence of the Realm Regulations, and of all other powers enabling him in that behalf, the Lieutenant-Governor hereby orders that except under the authority of the Lieutenant-Governor the following regulations shall be observed by all persons concerned:—

1. The Lieutenant-Governor, or any person authorised by him in that behalf, may from time to time by notice under this Order issue Directions (whether of general or local application) prescribing maximum prices on sales by retail of flour whether home-milled or imported or on any sales of bread, and the terms and conditions applicable to such sales, and may from time to time vary or revoke any such Directions as he or they may think fit.

2. A person shall not in connection with a sale or disposition or proposed sale or disposition of any flour or bread, enter or offer to enter into any fictitious or artificial transactions, or make or demand any unreasonable charge.

3. All parties affected by this Order shall make all such returns as to stocks, purchases, sales, payments, prices dealings in or consumption of flour or bread, as shall from time to time be required by or under the authority of the Lieutenant-Governor.

4. A person shall not—

- (a) Knowingly make or connive at the making of any false statement in any application for compensation in respect of flour, or in any application for a licence exempting him or any article from the provisions of this Order, or authorising delivery of flour or bread, or in any enquiry held for the purposes of this Order.
- (b) Forge or alter any licence, authority, or other document issued in connection with or for the purpose of this Order; or
- (c) Personate or falsely represent himself to be a person to whom such a licence, authority, or other document has been issued or applies.

5. A person employed by the Lieutenant-Governor, or a member of or person employed by a Local Food Control Authority, shall not without lawful authority communicate to any person any information acquired by him from any application made or enquiry held in connection with or for the purposes of this Order.

6. If any question arises whether flour is proprietary flour or whether bread is proprietary bread, such question shall be determined by the Lieutenant-Governor.

7. For the purposes of this Order :—

“Local Food Control Authority” shall mean a Food Control Authority or Joint Food Control Authority constituted under any Order of the Lieutenant-Governor.

“Flour” shall mean any wheat meal or wheaten flour, or any flour milled from wheat.

“Home-milled flour” shall mean any flour manufactured in the United Kingdom.

“Self-raising flour” shall mean flour containing such ingredients that the flour when mixed with water forms a dough which aerates itself.

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

9. This Order may be cited as the Flour and Bread (Prices) Order, 1920.

Given under my hand this 14th day of September, 1920.

W. FRY, M.G.,  
Lieutenant-Governor.