

War Office,
14th November 1916.

ORDER REPRODUCING WITH AMENDMENTS THE NOTICE OF THE ARMY COUNCIL OF THE 25TH JULY 1916, RELATING TO DEALINGS IN WOOL IN IRELAND.

In pursuance of the powers conferred upon them by the Defence of the Realm (Consolidation) Regulations 1914, the Army Council hereby order as follows:—

1. No person shall sell or purchase or enter into any transaction or negotiation in relation to the sale or purchase of any wool clipped from sheep in the season of 1916 (hereinafter referred to as fleece wool) or of any wool pulled from the skins of sheep or lambs which have been slaughtered in Ireland in the season 1916 (hereinafter referred to as skin wool) to or from any person who is prohibited by this Order from purchasing or selling the same, unless such person is authorised under any other general permit or by any special permit from the Army Council to purchase or sell same.

2. The following persons, unless holding a special permit from the Army Council for the purpose, shall not purchase or sell or enter into any transaction or negotiation in relation to the purchase or sale of any fleece wool as aforesaid, that is to say:—

(a) Any person carrying on the business of manufacturer of woollen, worsted, or hosiery goods in any textile factory.

(b) Any person in respect of whom any general or special permit has been revoked by the Army Council on the grounds that he has failed to comply with the conditions thereof.

3. No person who has not been in the habit of purchasing raw wool grown on sheep in Ireland shall unless holding a special permit from the Army Council, purchase or enter into transactions or negotiations for the purchase of fleece wool.

4. No person shall make or take delivery of any fleece wool or skin wool as aforesaid or of wool grown on sheep in Ireland before January 1st, 1916, or of skins of sheep or lambs which shall have been slaughtered in Ireland after November 28th, 1916, for shipment from Ireland except under a special permit issued under the authority of the Army Council.

5. No person shall sell or purchase or enter into any transaction or negotiation in relation to the sale or purchase of any fleece wool as aforesaid otherwise than in accordance with the following conditions:—

(a) The price payable to the farmer for his wool shall be in accordance with the schedule of prices for the various kinds of Irish wool set out in the schedule hereto annexed, and all persons authorised to purchase under this general permit or under any special permit shall pay to the farmer the fair value of his wool calculated on the basis of the prices set out in the said schedule.

(b) The price for washed wool set out in the said schedule shall be paid only for well-washed wool, in good condition, and the price for unwashed wool shall be paid only for unwashed wool in good light condition, and the usual deduction shall be made for wool of inferior condition.

(c) For all cast, stained, matted or otherwise faulty fleeces an allowance of one pound in

weight per fleece shall be deducted in estimating the price payable to the farmer. For odd fleeces, unwashed, an allowance of two pounds should be made.

(d) No person shall mix with or wind in any fleeces of the 1916 clip any broken or dead wool, locks, daggings, or other matter whatsoever.

(e) The price payable to the farmer for broken or dead wool, locks, daggings, and other classes of wool not specified in the said schedule, shall be calculated on the basis of the price for washed or unwashed fleece wools in good condition set out in the said schedule.

6. No person shall in pursuance of any contract entered into at any time prior to 8th June 1916, make payment for fleece wool or skin wool otherwise than in accordance with the aforesaid conditions.

7. This Order shall as from the date hereof supersede the Notice of July 25th, 1916, relating to dealings in wool in Ireland.

By Order of the Army Council.

R. H. BRADE.

Dated 14th November 1916.

SCHEDULE.

	Prices.	
	Washed.	Unwashed.
	d.	d.
1. Shropshire	18½	14½
2. Fine Districts (Bred Wool)	17½	14½
3. Medium Districts (Bred Wool)	17	14
4. Deep Districts (Bred Wool)	16	13½
5. Bred Lamb	16	13
6. Pasture Cheviots	15½	12½
7. White Crossbred Scotch	13½	11½
8. Pasture Scotch	12	11
9. Blackfaced Scotch	11½	10½
10. Blackfaced Scotch Lamb	—	10
Co. Wicklow.		
11. Seaside	14½	11½
12. Seaside Lamb	12	10
13. Crossbred Scotch or Mountain	13	11
Co. Kerry.		
14. Fine	18	—
15. Medium	14½	12
16. Coarse	—	12
17. Broken Bred Wool	16½	14

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ARMY COUNCIL ORDER.

NOTICE OF GENERAL PERMIT FOR THE SALE AND MOVEMENT OF CERTAIN LEATHERS.

Whereas by Order published in the London Gazette of 2nd October 1916, the Army Council, in pursuance of the powers conferred on them by the Defence of the Realm (Consolidation) Act, 1914, as amended by the Defence (Amendment) Act, 1915, and the Defence of the Realm (Amendment) No. 2 Act, 1915, and the Regulations made thereunder, and every other power enabling them in that behalf, gave notice of their intention to