

to price lists of, any stocks, shares, debentures, bonds or securities of a like nature issued or despatched by members of the London Stock Exchange or of any provincial Stock Exchange represented on the Council of Associated Stock Exchanges.

12. Advertising circulars and price lists of the class mentioned in the last paragraph may be issued or distributed by any person other than a member of a Stock Exchange referred to in the last paragraph, provided that the total weight of paper used for such circulars issued or distributed between 20th August 1917 and 31st January 1918 does not exceed that allowed in paragraph 8 of this Order.

13. No advertising circulars shall be made, printed, issued, despatched, or exhibited for, by, or on behalf of any registered moneylender, bookmaker, commission agent for the making or placing of any bets or wagers, or by the promoters of or persons interested in any guessing competition or test of skill.

14. Where it appears to the Board of Trade or the Royal Commission on Paper that the total weight of paper used by or on behalf of any person for advertising circulars issued or despatched by him between 1st August 1916 and 31st January 1917, or in the case of those circulars mentioned in paragraph 9, between 1st August 1914 and 31st January 1915, was unreasonable or excessive, having regard to the nature and importance of the business or matter referred to in such circulars and all the circumstances of the case, the Board or Royal Commission on Paper may by notice in writing directed to such person prescribe the total weight of paper that may be used by such persons for advertising circulars issued or despatched between the dates mentioned in paragraphs 8 and 9 of this Order, and such weight may be less than that permitted by those paragraphs and shall be the total weight which such person is hereby permitted to use for the purpose aforesaid.

15. All persons who make, print, issue, despatch, distribute, or publish advertising circulars shall, if and when required by the Royal Commission on Paper on behalf of the Board of Trade, make returns to the said Commission in such form and giving such particulars as they may direct as to the making, printing, issuing, despatch, distribution, or publication of advertising circulars.

#### *General.*

16. Nothing in this Order applies to posters or advertising circulars despatched or to be despatched by persons (other than those mentioned in paragraph 13) to persons abroad.

17. The Paper Restriction Order, 1917, and the Paper Restriction Order, 1917 (No. 2), and the General Licences granted under the Paper Restriction Order, 1917, are hereby revoked without prejudice to any act or thing done or suffered or to any penalty incurred or prosecution or proceeding which has been or may be instituted thereunder.

18. The Royal Commission on Paper, on behalf of the Board of Trade, may in such cases as they think fit, and either particularly as respects any person or thing, or generally as respects any class of persons or things, issue Licences dispensing with the application of this Order to any person or thing or any class of persons or things.

19. Where the fulfilment by any person of any contract is interfered with by the necessity

on the part of himself or any other person of complying with any provision of this Order, that necessity shall be a good defence to any action or proceeding taken against that person in respect of the nonfulfilment of the contract, so far as it is due to that interference.

20. Infringements of this Order are summary offences under the Defence of the Realm Regulations.

21. This Order may be cited as the Paper Restriction (Posters and Circulars) Consolidation Order, 1917.

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Signed on behalf of the Board  
of Trade.

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*Ministry of Munitions,  
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23rd October 1917.*

ORDER.

TAR OILS.

The Minister of Munitions, in exercise of the powers conferred upon him by the Defence of the Realm Regulations and all other powers thereunto enabling him, gives notice and orders as follows:—

(1) He hereby takes possession as from the 1st November 1917, until further notice, of all tar oils then or thereafter situate in the United Kingdom produced or derived from gas coal tar or coke oven tar of a specific gravity of 1000 or exceeding 1000, or produced or derived from water gas tar, producer tar or Mond gas tar of any specific gravity.

(2) If any person having control of any tar oil to which this Order applies without the consent of the Minister of Munitions sells, removes, or secretes it or deals with it in any way contrary to any conditions imposed in any licences that be granted in respect thereof, he will be guilty of an offence against the Defence of the Realm Regulations.

(3) No person shall on or after the 1st November 1917 until further notice purchase or take delivery of any tar oil situate in the United Kingdom except under and in accordance with the terms of a licence issued under the authority of the Ministry of Munitions, or offer to sell, sell, supply, or deliver any such tar oil to any person other than the holder of such a licence and in accordance with the terms thereof. Provided that no such licence shall be required:

(a) By any person for the purchase and delivery of tar oil in quantities not exceeding an aggregate of 5 gallons during any one calendar month.

(b) By any person, after the first application by him for and pending the granting or refusal of a licence, for the delivery to him under a contract in writing existing at the date hereof of tar oil for the purpose of benzol washing or the manufacture of disinfectants, antiseptic drugs, lamp or vegetable black, or fuel, to an amount not exceeding during any one calendar month the amount of the average monthly deliveries under such contract during the three calendar months immediately preceding the date hereof.

(4) No purchase or sale of tar oil situated in the United Kingdom, or offer to purchase or