

state the aggregate amount and value of his sales of compounds for purely medicinal purposes during the period covered by each return.

Special forms of return will be provided for this purpose.

All sales of compounds other than those exceeding 3 lbs. aggregate per month per person and the sales for medicinal purposes hereby licensed, must be conducted strictly under purchasers' licenses as prescribed by the Order, and, together with an aggregate statement of sales under 3 lbs., and for medicinal purposes, must be brought out on the returns as at present.

A. S. Esslemont.

Dec. 7, 1917.

Ministry of Munitions of War,
30th November, 1917.

ORDER.

APPLYING REGULATION 30A TO TUNGSTEN ORES, MOLYBDENITE AND METAL, AND PRODUCTS THEREFROM, AND REQUIRING RETURNS.

1. In exercise of the powers conferred upon him by Regulation 30A of the Defence of the Realm Regulations, the Minister of Munitions hereby orders that the war material to which the regulation applies shall include war material of the following classes and descriptions, namely:—

All tungsten-bearing ores and tungsten metal and alloys and salts derived or produced therefrom, and all molybdenite and molybdenum metal and alloys and salts derived or produced therefrom.

2. In exercise of the powers conferred on him by the Defence of the Realm Regulations and all other powers thereunto enabling him, the Minister of Munitions hereby orders as follows:—

(1) Every person, firm or company holding any stock of any of the material specified in clause 1 of this Order shall within fourteen days from the date hereof furnish full particulars of any such stock to the Controller of Non-Ferrous Materials Supply, Ministry of Munitions, 8, Northumberland Avenue, London, W.C. 2 (hereinafter referred to as the Controller).

(2) Every owner, lessee or licensee of a mine or mines producing tungsten bearing ores or molybdenite, situate in the United Kingdom, shall within fourteen days from the date hereof and once in every week thereafter make to the Controller, on and in accordance with the form prescribed by the Controller, a return showing particulars of his weekly output and deliveries of tungsten ore concentrates and stocks on hand at the end of each week.

(3) Every merchant, importer or broker who receives consignments from outside the United Kingdom of tungsten-bearing ores and/or molybdenite ores shall within fourteen days from the date hereof and once in every week thereafter make to the Controller, on and in accordance with the form prescribed by the Controller, a return showing all shipments afloat and all parcels landed or in warehouse during the seven days preceding the day of the return.

(4) Every person, firm or company who treats any ore to which this Order applies or manufactures any material or article therefrom, shall within fourteen days from the date hereof and once in every week thereafter make to the Controller on and in accordance with the form prescribed by the Controller a return showing stock in hand, receipts and consumption of such ore and stock in hand, output and deliveries of manufactures from such ore.

(5) Every person, firm or company who in any manufacture used tungsten, or molybdenum metal or any alloy thereof shall on the 1st December, 1917, and thereafter on the first day of every calendar month make to the Controller a return on and in accordance with the form prescribed by the Controller, showing the quantity of tungsten or molybdenum metal or alloy thereof received by him from the producer, the quantity consumed by him in such manufacture during the preceding month and the stock in hand at the end of the said month.

(6) Notwithstanding the above no return is required from any person whose total stock in hand and not intended to be used in connection with the manufacture or alloy of steel or other metal, has not during the period for which a return would but for this exception have been required exceeded in the case of—

Tungsten Ore Concentrates (not exceeding 50 per cent. WO_3 or its equivalent), 1 cwt.

Molybdenite (not exceeding 50 per cent. MoS_2 or its equivalent), 1 cwt.

Tungsten and/or Molybdenum Salts, 28 lbs.

Tungsten and/or Molybdenum metal or alloys thereof, 14 lbs.

3. Every return made by any person for the purpose of this Order shall be signed by such person, or, if the return is made on behalf of a firm or company, shall be signed by a partner, director, manager or other responsible official, and every statement contained therein shall be true and accurate.

4. Applications for permits under this Order shall be made to:—The Controller of Non-Ferrous Materials Supply, A.M.2/K., Ministry of Munitions, 8, Northumberland Avenue, W.C. 2.

5. This Order may be cited as the Tungsten and Molybdenite Order, 1917.

Explanatory Note.

As from the date of the above Order it is an offence under the Defence of the Realm Regulations, for any person, except as authorized by a permit issued under such Order, to buy, sell or deal in, or offer or invite an offer, or propose to buy, sell or deal in, or enter into negotiations for the sale or purchase of or other dealing in any of the war material to which the Order relates.

Permits under the above Order will be issued on conditions which will from time to time be stated by the Controller and which will be endorsed on the permit. The prescribed forms for returns may be obtained on application to the Controller.

All ore to which the above Order applies imported into the United Kingdom will be taken possession of by the Minister of Munitions and at a price which will be notified from time to time by the Minister of Munitions.