

Board of Trade,
7, *Whitehall Gardens,*
London, S.W. 1,
26th *September, 1919.*

STATUTORY RULES AND ORDERS.

DEFENCE OF THE REALM.

The Lighting, Heating and Power (Emergency) Order, 1919, dated 26th September, 1919, made by the Board of Trade under Regulations 2 F and 2 JJ of the Defence of the Realm Regulations.

The Board of Trade, deeming it expedient to exercise the powers conferred upon them by the Defence of the Realm Regulations for the purpose of maintaining the supply of Coal, Gas and Electricity and other articles of Commerce required for lighting, heating, and power purposes, hereby Order as follows:—

(1) All lights of the following classes and descriptions shall be extinguished and such lights shall not be lighted at any hour except as provided in paragraph (2) hereof.

(a) Sky Signs, illuminated facias, illuminated advertisements and other lights used outside or at the entrance to any premises for the purpose of advertisement or display.

(b) Lights used inside any shop for the purpose of advertisement or display when the shop is closed for serving customers.

(2) This Order shall not apply to any public street light or any other light approved by the Chief Officer of Police as necessary in the public interest.

(3) The expression "Shop" in this Order has the same meaning as in the Shops Act, 1912.

This Order shall apply to the whole of Great Britain and shall take effect on the signing hereof.

Dated this 26th day of September, 1919.

A. C. Geddes,

President of the Board of Trade.

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THE COAL AND FUEL (EMERGENCY) ORDER, 1919, DATED 26TH SEPTEMBER, 1919, MADE BY THE BOARD OF TRADE UNDER REGULATIONS 2F, 2J AND 2JJ OF THE DEFENCE OF THE REALM REGULATIONS.

The Board of Trade, deeming it expedient to exercise the powers conferred upon them by the Defence of the Realm Regulations, for the purpose of maintaining the supply of coal and fuel for household purposes, hereby order as follows:—

1. The Controller of Coal Mines may by notice declare a state of emergency to exist, whereupon the following provisions of this Order shall forthwith come into force and continue in force until he shall by notice declare the state of emergency to have ceased.

2. This Order shall be read as one with the Household Fuel and Lighting Order, 1919 (hereinafter referred to as "the principal Order").

3. It shall not be lawful without the previous consent in writing of the Local Fuel Overseer, which consent may be general or special, but, if general, must be with the assent of the Controller:

(a) to purchase, obtain, take delivery of, or in any way acquire more than 1 cwt. of coal in any week for consumption in any premises coming within the scope of the principal Order;

(b) to purchase, obtain, take delivery of, or in any way acquire any coal for consumption in such premises as aforesaid where the quantity of coal available for consumption in such premises exceeds 10 cwts.

4. A registered coal merchant or licensed coal dealer shall not, without the previous consent in writing of the Local Fuel Overseer, which consent may be general or special, but, if general, must be with the assent of the Controller:

(a) sell, supply, deliver, or in any way dispose of coal for consumption in any premises coming within the scope of the principal Order in excess of 1 cwt. in any week;

(b) sell, supply, deliver, or in any way dispose of coal for consumption in such premises as aforesaid where the quantity of coal available for consumption in such premises exceeds 10 cwts.

The provisions of this clause shall not apply to coal sold, supplied, delivered, or otherwise disposed of for the purpose of the trade or business of distributing coal.

5. A person may be required by the Local Fuel Overseer to register with a registered coal merchant or licensed coal dealer for any supply of coal under this Order, and in such case can only acquire his supply from the merchant or dealer with whom he is registered.

Registration under the principal Order shall be deemed sufficient for the purpose of this Order, but a Local Fuel Overseer may in his entire discretion transfer any registration for the period during which this Order is in force from one registered coal merchant or licensed coal dealer to another either by specific transfer for that purpose or by general regulation approved by the Local Fuel and Lighting Committee.

6. The Local Fuel Overseer may direct that any supply of gas or electricity covered by the principal Order be cut off where there is reason to believe that the supply is being abused or used in excess so as to prejudice the interests of the public.

7. Where the principal Order is in conflict with this Order this Order shall prevail, but otherwise the principal Order remains in force. There shall be no claim for any allowances of coal under the principal Order so long as this Order continues in force.

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

9. The Local Fuel Overseer may, with the assent of the Controller, take any action necessary for the enforcement of the provisions of this Order, or the Controller may take such action.

10. This Order may be cited as the Coal and Fuel (Emergency) Order, 1919.

Dated this 26th day of September, 1919.

A. C. Geddes,

President of the Board of Trade.