

**BASUTOLAND, BECHUANALAND
PROTECTORATE, SWAZILAND.**

**HIGH COMMISSIONER'S NOTICE
No. 61 of 1942.**

CONTROL OF PAPER.

It is hereby notified for general information that, under and by virtue of the powers vested in him by section *one* of the Basutoland Emergency Powers (Defence) Proclamation, 1939 (No. 35 of 1939), section *one* of the Bechuanaland Protectorate Emergency Powers (Defence) Proclamation, 1939 (No. 36 of 1939), and section *one* of the Swaziland Emergency Powers (Defence) Proclamation, 1939 (No. 37 of 1939), respectively, His Excellency the High Commissioner has been pleased to prohibit, in the manner set forth in the Schedule hereto, the acquisition, disposal and use of any of the types of paper mentioned in the said Schedule.

By Command of His Excellency
the High Commissioner.

H. E. PRIESTMAN,
Administrative Secretary.

High Commissioner's Office,
Cape Town, 28th March, 1942.

SCHEDULE.

1. No person shall use any paper—
 - (a) to print any newspaper or news-bulletin unless the consumption of paper or newsprint is reduced by forty per cent. (40 per cent.) of the total weight of paper used for any such newspaper or news-bulletin for the twelve months immediately preceding the 1st August, 1939, and provided the number of unsold returned copies shall not exceed one per cent. (1 per cent.) of the reduced total weight of paper consumed; provided further, that any newspaper consisting of not more than four pages measuring 25 inches by 20 inches, or the equivalent thereof, per issue, shall be exempt from the reduction imposed by this paragraph;
 - (b) to print any periodical or magazine unless the consumption of paper or newsprint is reduced by twenty-five per cent. (25 per cent.) of the weight of paper used for any such magazine or periodical for the twelve months immediately preceding the 1st August, 1939, and provided that the number of unsold returned copies shall not exceed one per cent. (1 per cent.) of the

reduced weight of paper consumed, and provided further that any periodical or magazine using less than 1,000 lb. weight of paper per annum shall be exempt from the reduction imposed by this paragraph;

- (c) to print any newspaper, news-bulletin, magazine or periodical (the publication of which was commenced on the 1st August, 1939, or any subsequent date prior to the date of this notice), unless the consumption of paper is reduced by twenty-five per cent. (25 per cent.) of the weight of paper used during the first six months of publication of such newspaper, news-bulletin, magazine or periodical, and provided that the number of unsold returned copies shall not exceed one per cent. (1 per cent.) of the reduced weight of paper consumed;
- (d) to print any contents bill of any newspaper, news-bulletin, magazine or periodical;
- (e) to print or make or publish any newspaper, news-bulletin, magazine or periodical that was not printed or made before the date of publication of this notice;
- (f) to print or publish any newspaper, news-bulletin, magazine or periodical at more frequent intervals than the regular intervals at which it was printed and published during the six months immediately preceding the date of this notice;
- (g) to print any catalogue or programme (including any programme relating to any race, sport or athletic meeting or to any entertainment) unless the size of such catalogue or programme is one half or less of its normal size when printed in 1939. Size shall be measured by—
 - (i) the number of pages; or
 - (ii) the dimension of pages; or
 - (iii) the quantity of paper used in printing such catalogue or programme.

NOTE.—For the purposes of sub-paragraphs (a), (b), (c) and (d) above any reduction in the substance of paper used shall be deducted before any calculations are made.

2. (1) No person shall use any paper—

- (a) to print or make any label to be affixed to any bottle, tin, package or other container unless the size of such label—
 - (i) does not exceed 1½ inches in depth; or
 - (ii) is one half or less of its normal size when last printed.

Existing stocks of such printed labels may be used provided the Controller is advised by the user of any such printed stock in excess of six months' consumption:

- (b) to print any repeat of any printed document except in the next smaller standard size;
- (c) to print or publish any telephone directory more than once in each calendar year; provided, however, that the Controller may authorise the printing or publication of any supplement to any such telephone directory;
- (d) to print or make or publish any city, town or other guide book.

(2) No person shall supply to any other person any paper board, printed or otherwise, in excess of six months' normal requirements (including existing stock on hand).

3. No manufacturer or wholesale distributor shall, in wrapping or packing any article—

- (a) use or provide any paper, wrapping or paper packing material to wrap or pack any article which does not reasonably require any such packing or wrapping for its protection;
- (b) use or provide a greater quantity of paper, wrapping or packing material than is reasonably required for the protection of the article;
- (c) use or provide any paper wrapper, carton or container the substance of which exceeds what is reasonably required for the protection of the article.

4. No person who carries on the business of selling goods by retail shall use or provide any paper, paper bag, carton or paper container for the packing or wrapping of those goods except in the case of unprotected foodstuffs or of any article which has to be delivered at some place other than in or about the retailer's premises unless—

- (a) such goods would, if treated with ordinary care, be damaged through lack of packing; or
- (b) such goods would by their nature cause damage or nuisance.

5. No person who carries on the business of—

- (a) selling goods by retail;
- (b) dry cleaner;
- (c) a laundry;

shall use any cardboard container to deliver goods to customers unless—

- (i) such goods are to be sent by post or rail; or
- (ii) such goods, already packed in small containers, aggregate a weight of ten pounds or more.

6. (1) No person shall use any paper board, card, or cardboard of any description in the manufacture of any containers for the packing of any of the following commodities or articles:—

- Bird food.
- Butter (except for containers holding not less than 24 lb.).

Cake and cakes (except cream cakes).
 Candied and cut peel.
 Cocoa.
 Coconut, desiccated.
 Coffee and coffee mixtures.
 Dried and glacé fruits.
 Dried peas and beans.
 Dripping.
 Fat or fats, including all vegetable fats.
 Nuts of all varieties.
 Sausages.
 Sugar of all descriptions.
 Tea.
 Adhesive tape.
 Bath salts.
 Brilliantine and other hair dressing.
 Children's boots and shoes.
 Cleaning powder for buckskin, canvas, suede or
 linen, boots and shoes.
 Coconut oil.
 Fishing bait.
 Fishing tackle.
 Golf balls.
 Men's boots and shoes costing less than ten
 shillings to manufacturer.
 Nail polish.
 Seeds.
 Sulphur candles.
 Soap, household and toilet.
 Tennis balls.
 Typewriter ribbons.
 Writing ink, fluid or powdered.

7. No person shall use any board, card or card-board of any description---

- (a) to print, make or produce for advertisement purposes any view card, picture or other postcard, picture card or album;
- (b) to print, make or produce any view card or picture postcard, for sale by retail, except such postcards as are sold at any post office;
- (c) for containers for retail disposal of goods already packed in other material;
- (d) for any mounting board or stiffener in the packing of clothing or apparel;
- (e) in the manufacture of any fancy or irregular shaped cardboard box;
- (f) for use as a board, back or top, as part of a pad of printed or writing paper.

8. No person shall use any paper in the course of the manufacture of any box or cardboard container for clothing, boots, shoes or other apparel unless such completed box or container complies with the following specification:—

Flint or other paper shall be used to cover one end only of both lid and trough of such box.

The "turn-in" shall not exceed one inch in each case.

The size of printed end labels pasted over the flint or other paper must be reduced to half the size of the last print prior to the publication of this notice, unless the label is substituted for the flint.

The use of top labels, inside labels, flaps, bottom labels and fancy edgings is prohibited.

3. No person shall use any paper in the manufacture of any of the following classes of stationery unless such classes comply with the specifications mentioned in regard to the respective classes:

(a) *Exercise Books, Quarter Bound or Otherwise.*

The size shall not exceed 8 inches by $6\frac{3}{4}$ inches.

The margin shall not exceed $\frac{1}{2}$ inch.

The substance shall not exceed double cap 23 lb. 500's.

Only one wire stitch shall be used in all books of 50 pages and under.

(b) *Writing Pads of all Descriptions.*

Pads shall be confined to the following sizes:—

(i) 10 inches by $6\frac{1}{2}$ inches;

(ii) 8 inches by $6\frac{1}{4}$ inches;

(iii) 8 inches by 5 inches.

The number of sheets per pad shall be confined to 50 or 100 sheets.

Only one sheet of blotting paper, not exceeding one-third of the size of the pad, may be inserted in each pad.

(c) *Scribbling Pads.*

Shall only be made up from waste.

Size shall not exceed 8 inches by 5 inches.

Shall be glued and milled only.

The use of tops or board backs is prohibited.

(d) *Foolscap, Ruled and Plain.*

Substance shall not exceed double cap 23 lb. 500's.

(e) *Account Books.*

(i) *Cut Flush Account Books, in one or two quire only*

Size shall not exceed 13 inches by 8 inches.

Substance shall not exceed double cap 23 lb. 500's.

(ii) *Titled Account Books, in two quire only.*

Size shall not exceed 13 inches by 8 inches.

Substance shall not exceed double cap 28 lb. 500's.

(iii) *Counter Books, in one or two quire only.*
Size shall not exceed 13 inches by 5 inches.
Substance shall not exceed double cap 23 lb. 500's.

(f) *Reporters' Notebooks.*

Must be limited to either 100 or 200 pages.

(g) *Memo Books with Pressing, American Cloth or Quarter-bound Covers.*

Substance shall not exceed double cap 23 lb. 500's.

(h) *Bookkeeping Exercise Books and Ruled and Perforated Examination Books.*

Substance shall not exceed double cap 23 lb. 500's.

10. No person may wrap, to indicate quantity of any articles of stationery or printed matter, except by means of a band not exceeding one-third of the depth or width of the size of the article to be wrapped.

11. Notwithstanding anything contained in this Notice, the Controller may, in his discretion, grant exemption from the whole or any of the provisions of this Notice to any person, or in respect of any article referred to herein.

12. No person who imports any type of paper, including cardboard, paperboard, strawboard and the like, both in the raw and in the manufactured or made-up form, shall, on importation, use or dispose of any of the said paper—

(a) unless the Controller has been advised of the quantity and details of any such importation; and

(b) until the expiration of seven days from the date of receipt by the Controller of such advice.

13. Any person who contravenes any prohibition hereby imposed shall be guilty of an offence and liable on conviction to a fine not exceeding two hundred pounds or to imprisonment for a period not exceeding one year, or to both such fine and imprisonment.

14. In this notice unless inconsistent with the context—

“Controller” means the Government Secretary;

“paper” means all types of paper, including cardboard, paperboard, strawboard and the like, both in the raw and in the manufactured or made-up form.