(iii) CORSETS (UTILITY)

The Utility Corsets (Manufacture and Supply) Order, 1948

1948 No. 303

Made - - - -	*19th February*, 1948
Laid before Parliament	*19th February*, 1948
Coming into Operation	*1st March*, 1948

[This Order was revoked and replaced (January 24, 1949) by the Utility Corsets (Manufacture and Supply) Order, 1949 (S.I. 1949 No. 39) and is therefore omitted from this volume.]

(iv) CURTAIN CLOTH (UTILITY)

The Curtain Cloth (Utility) Order, 1948

1948 No. 1160

Made - - - -	*1st June*, 1948
Laid before Parliament	*2nd June*, 1948
Coming into Operation	*7th June*, 1948

The Board of Trade, in pursuance of the powers conferred upon them by Regulations 55 and 55AB of the Defence (General) Regulations, 1939(**a**), as having effect by virtue of the Supplies and Services (Transitional Powers) Act, 1945(**b**), as extended by the Supplies and Services (Extended Purposes) Act, 1947(**c**), hereby order as follows:—

1.—(1) A person may apply the utility mark to cloth manufactured by him being—

(*a*) cloth complying with a description specified in Part I of the First Schedule hereto;

(*b*) cloth complying with a description so specified except in not more than two of the respects mentioned in the Second Schedule hereto; or

(*c*) cloth, other than such cloth as aforesaid, which was intended to comply with a description so specified and which does so comply in respect of weight and size but which does not so comply in other respects.

(2) Whenever a person applies the utility mark to any cloth of a description specified as aforesaid he shall also apply thereto the specification number given in the first column of Part I of the First Schedule hereto in relation to that description and in a place adjacent thereto by means of a transfer, stamp or label in letters not less than 3-16ths of an inch in height—

(*a*) in the case of cloth described in head (*b*) of paragraph (1) of this Article, the word " seconds ";

(*b*) in the case of cloth described in head (*c*) of that paragraph, the word " reject " or " damaged ".

(3) Part II of the First Schedule hereto shall have effect in relation to the matters specified in Part I of that Schedule.

(**a**) *See* Note, p. 15 above.

(**b**) 9 & 10 Geo. 6. c. 10; and S.R. & O. 1945 (Nos. 1611 and 1618) II, pp. 39 and 48.

(**c**) 10 & 11 Geo. 6. c. 55.

2. A person may, in the course of his business, use any utility goods being cloth of a specification number included in Part I of the First Schedule hereto, or of such a specification number preceded by the letter " Z ", after that cloth has been supplied to a retail customer, for the purpose of making it up into curtains, pelmets, or valances to the order of that customer.

3.—(1) A person shall not charge in respect of a sale of utility goods being cloth of a specification number included in Part I of the First Schedule hereto manufactured by him whether before or after the commencement of this Order but supplied thereafter, a gross price exceeding the price specified in that Part in relation to cloth of that specification number.

(2) A person shall not charge in respect of a sale of utility goods being cloth of a specification number included in Part I of the First Schedule hereto preceded by the letter " Z " manufactured by him a gross price exceeding the price specified in that Part in relation to cloth of that specification number; so, however, that in relation to cloth of a width other than that specified in that Part the price so specified shall be deemed to be varied proportionately to the relation between the actual width and the width so specified.

(3) A person shall not charge in respect of the sale of any such utility goods manufactured by him whether before or after the commencement of this Order but supplied thereafter marked in accordance with paragraph (2) of Article 1 hereof a gross price exceeding the price specified in Part I of the First Schedule hereto in relation to the relevant specification, less 20 per cent. thereof.

(4) The price charged by any person in respect of a sale (otherwise than to a retail customer) of any goods to which this Article applies manufactured by him shall be reduced by an amount not less than 2½ per cent. of the gross price in any case in which payment for those goods is made or tendered before the tenth day of the month immediately succeeding that during which the goods were consigned by the seller to, or to the order of, the buyer.

4. Nothing in this Order shall prohibit the doing of anything under the authority of a licence issued by the Board of Trade hereunder and in accordance with any condition attached thereto.

5. The provisions of Article 14, paragraph (2) of Article 15 and Article 18 of the Utility Mark and Apparel and Textiles (General Provisions) Order, 1947(a), as amended(b), shall so far as they are relevant form part of and be incorporated with this Order.

6. In this Order—

" gross price " means the price inclusive of all delivery charges payable either by the buyer or the seller and before any deductions by way of discount have been made; so, however, that no account shall be taken of delivery charges payable by the buyer—

(*a*) on a sale to a retail customer, or

(*b*) on a sale otherwise than to a retail customer of goods to which this Order relates, whether or not the goods are included in a parcel comprising goods to which this Order does not relate, where the total price in respect of such goods, or where such goods are included in such a parcel, in respect of such parcel (exclusive of Purchase Tax where such tax is chargeable and exclusive of delivery charges) does not exceed £10;

(a) S.R. & O. 1947 (No. 2642) II, p. 160.

(b) The relevant amendment is S.I. 1948 No. 358; for revocation and replacement by S.I. 1948 No. 2338, *see* p. 333 below.

" retail customer " in relation to the supply of any cloth means a person who is acquiring that cloth otherwise than for the purposes of his business as a trader;

" trader " means a person carrying on in the United Kingdom the business of supplying any cloth to which this Order relates whether or not he carries out any process in the manufacture of it.

7. The Curtain Cloth (Utility) (No. 7) Directions, 1946(**a**), the Curtain Cloth (Utility) (No. 8) Directions, 1947(**b**), the Curtain Cloth (Utility) (No. 9) Directions, 1947(**c**), and the Curtain Cloth (Utility) (No. 10) Directions, 1947(**d**), are hereby revoked; so, however, that any current licence issued thereunder shall have effect as if it were issued under this Order.

8. This Order may be cited as the Curtain Cloth (Utility) Order, 1948, and shall come into operation on the 7th day of June, 1948.

Dated this 1st day of June, 1948.

Arthur G. Bottomley,
Parliamentary Secretary to the
Board of Trade.

FIRST SCHEDULE.

PART I

[*New Part I substituted, see* pp. 52–60 *below.*]

PART II

1. The tests referred to in Part I are—
   (*a*) the washing test standards of the Society of Dyers and Colourists;
   (*b*) the light tests prescribed in the British Standard Fastness to Light of Textiles, B.S.1006.

2. Cloth shall not be deemed to comply with a description specified in Part I of this Schedule if by reason of any defect in the weaving or finishing of the cloth or in the material from which it was made, it is not reasonably suitable for curtains.

3. Where the percentage of foreign matter contained in a piece of cloth of any description is less than the percentage of foreign matter specified in relation to cloth of that description, the weight specified in relation to cloth of that description shall be deemed to be reduced by the amount of that deficiency.

4. All cloths shall be pick-found and be reasonably free from broken ends.

5. Jacquard-woven cloth shall not be deemed to comply with a description so specified unless the design is serviceable and well bound and no long floating threads have been used in the manufacture thereof.

6. No cloth shall be deemed to comply with a description so specified if—
   (*a*) a finishing process has been used thereon of such kind as unnecessarily to weaken the cloth;
   (*b*) an epsom salt finishing process has been used thereon; or
   (*c*) it has been unnecessarily extended in finishing.

(**a**) S.R. & O. 1946 (No. 1889) II, p. 134. (**b**) S.R. & O. 1947 (No. 175) II, p. 78.
(**c**) S.R. & O. 1947 (No. 1917) II, p. 80. (**d**) S.R. & O. 1947 (No. 2584) II, p. 84.

SECOND SCHEDULE

(*a*) The cloth has not more than 2 weft bars per linear yard.

(*b*) The cloth has not more than 3 broken warp ends adjacent to one another.

(*c*) The cloth is of a weight falling short of the weight specified in Part I of the First Schedule in relation thereto by not more than 15 per cent. of that weight.

(*d*) The cloth is of a width falling short of the minimum finished width specified in Part I of the First Schedule in relation thereto by not more than 5 per cent. of that width.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Order, but is intended to indicate its general purport.)

This Order replaces the current Curtain Cloth (Utility) Directions.

The principal changes from those Directions are that the manufacturer's maximum selling prices of a number of cloths are revised (an increase being indicated by a plus (+) sign in the Schedule and a decrease by a minus (−) sign), the supply of utility curtain cloth except against permits or priority dockets is no longer prohibited and the range of curtain cloths has been increased.

The Curtain Cloth (Utility) (Amendment) Order, 1948

1948 No. 2080

Made - - - -	*13th September*, 1948
Laid before Parliament	*14th September*, 1948
Coming into Operation	*20th September*, 1948

The Board of Trade, in pursuance of the powers conferred upon them by Regulations 55 and 55AB of the Defence (General) Regulations, 1939(**a**), as having effect by virtue of the Supplies and Services (Transitional Powers) Act, 1945(**b**), as extended by the Supplies and Services (Extended Purposes) Act, 1947(**c**), hereby order as follows:—

1. The Curtain Cloth (Utility) Order, 1948(**d**), shall have effect as if for Part I of the First Schedule thereto there were substituted the Schedule to this Order.

2. This Order may be cited as the Curtain Cloth (Utility) (Amendment) Order, 1948, and shall come into operation on the 20th day of September, 1948.

Dated this 13th day of September, 1948.

John Belcher,
Parliamentary Secretary to the
Board of Trade.

(**a**) *See* Note, p. 15 above.
(**b**) 9 & 10 Geo. 6. c. 10; and S.R. & O. 1945 (Nos. 1611 and 1618) II, pp. 39 and 48.
(**c**) 10 & 11 Geo. 6. c. 55.
(**d**) S.I. 1948 No. 1160, p. 48 above.