EXPLANATORY NOTE

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

This Order revokes the Conditions of Employment and National Arbitration Orders, 1940 to 1950.

It enables reports of disputes as to terms and conditions of employment and of issues as to whether an employer should observe the recognised terms and conditions of employment established by joint voluntary machinery to be made to the Minister.

It specifies by whom such reports may be made and sets out the steps to be taken for the settlement of the matters so reported.

It constitutes a Tribunal to deal with cases which prove otherwise incapable of being settled and provides that the award of the Tribunal shall become an implied term of the contract between the parties.

The Order does not include the provisions in the revoked Orders prohibiting lock-outs and strikes.

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(14) IRON AND STEEL

The Iron and Steel Distribution Order, 1951

1951 No. 2006

Made - - - -	*20th November,* 1951
Laid before Parliament	*21st November,* 1951
Coming into Operation	*4th February,* 1952

The Minister of Supply in exercise of the powers conferred on him by Regulations 55, 55AA, and 98, of the Defence (General) Regulations, 1939, as having effect by virtue of the Supplies and Services (Transitional Powers) Act, 1945(**a**) (as extended by the Supplies and Services (Extended Purposes) Act, 1947(**b**), and the Supplies and Services (Defence Purposes) Act, 1951(**c**), and continued in force by the Supplies and Services (Continuance) Order, 1950(**d**)), hereby orders as follows:—

PART I—ACQUISITION AND DISPOSAL

1. No person shall acquire or dispose of or agree to acquire or dispose of any iron or steel being of a type and class mentioned in the First Schedule to this Order: except in accordance with the provisions of this Order.

SECTION I—ACQUISITION BY I.S. INDENTS

2. Iron and steel of any type and class mentioned in the First Schedule to this Order may be acquired and agreed to be acquired—

Authorizing Departments (2nd Schedule) giving I.S. Indents

(1) by any Authorizing Department, from any person to whom it shall have given a duly completed I.S. Indent for that material; and

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(a) 9 & 10 Geo. 6. c. 10; and S.R. & O. 1945 (Nos. 1618, 1611 and 1625) II, pp. 45, 39 and 56.
(b) 10 & 11 Geo. 6. c. 55. (c) 14 & 15 Geo. 6. c. 25.
(d) S.I. 1950 (No. 1769) III, p. 51.

I.S. Indents given by Authorization and Sub-Authorization Holders

(2) subject to Article 4 of this Order, up to the quantity and for the purpose stated for that material in either—

(i) a duly completed I.S. Authorization issued by an Authorizing Department, or

(ii) such duly completed I.S. Sub-Authorization issued by the holder of an I.S. Authorization (the latter document being issued to him in accordance with (i) immediately preceding), as is permitted and prescribed by and complies with the requirements of that I.S. Authorization, or

(iii) such duly completed I.S. Sub-Authorization issued by one who is himself the holder of an I.S. Sub-Authorization, as is permitted and prescribed by and complies with the requirements of the I.S. Sub-Authorization which he himself holds,

by the holder of any such I.S. Authorization or I.S. Sub-Authorization, from any person to whom he shall have given such duly completed I.S. Indent for that material as is permitted and prescribed by and complies with the requirements of the I.S. Authorization or I.S. Sub-Authorization which the acquirer himself holds in respect of that quantity of that material for that purpose:

Restrictions on Use of I.S. Indents and Authorizations

Provided that nothing in either of the foregoing Heads (1) and (2) of this Article shall authorize, and accordingly no I.S. Authorization or I.S. Sub-Authorization or I.S. Indent shall have effect to authorize (notwithstanding any appearance it may, by reason of the manner in which it is completed by the person issuing it, have or seem to have to the contrary) any person to acquire or agree to acquire any iron or steel—

not for material for class-conversion

(A) for any class-conversion thereof; or

not for replacing material disposed of—

(B) in replacement of iron or steel which either—

as unused material, or

(i) is material which has been disposed of by him in the form in which he acquired it, or

by " own-recovery " merchanting

(ii) is " own-recovery " material which has (whether or not after treatment or after incorporation in any thing) been disposed of by him (" own-recovery " material meaning in relation to any person, material which has been obtained from the destruction, demolition, or breaking up, by that person, of any structure or article).

SECTION II—ACQUISITION OF NON-ALLOY SHEETS

Form M (Sheets)"

3. Non-alloy steel of the class Sheet may be acquired and agreed to be acquired by means of a " Form M (Sheets) "; which Form shall in respect of Sheet be issuable in the same way as and—subject to (i) that Form being itself utilized in such way as, and (ii) such further documents issuable under that Form being such documents as and issued and utilized in such way as,

that Form may by its provisions prescribe—shall, together with its such further documents (if any) so issued and utilized, have effect in the same way as and be subject to the same limitations of effect as an I.S. Authorization issued in respect of material of a class or classes other than Sheet.

SECTION III—SMALL ACQUISITIONS OF ANY MATERIAL

Holders of I.S. Authorizations "LSC" not to acquire under any sub-authorization or other authorization or form

4. A person who holds an I.S. Authorization bearing the Authorizing Symbol "LSC" shall not acquire or agree to acquire—

(i) under any I.S. Authorization bearing any other Authorizing Symbol, or under any I.S. Sub-Authorization or "Form M (Sheets)" whatsoever, or

(ii) under Article 5 of this Order,

any iron or steel being of a type and class comprised in the I.S. Authorization LSC which he holds.

SQE (i.e. Small Quantities Exemptions) (3rd Schedule)

5. Subject to Head (ii) of Article 4 of this Order, any material included in any category in Part I of the Third Schedule to this Order may be acquired for use in the United Kingdom by any person who is able to certify and, by giving to the person disposing of it to him the certificate prescribed in Part II of that Schedule (but not by any other means), does thereby certify, for the purpose of this Order, that all the material in that category acquired or agreed to be acquired by him under the provisions of this Article in the month of the year in which the material then being certified is delivered to him will not, together with that material then being certified, exceed the quantity specified in Part I of that Schedule against the category of that material: Provided that no such certificate shall be required if the price both to be paid and in fact paid for the material does not exceed Twenty Shillings.

SECTION IV—ACQUISITION RECORDS

Indents, Sub-Authorizations and "Forms M" to be recorded and produced

6. Every person who gives any I.S. Indent, or issues any I.S. Sub-Authorization or any "Form M (Sheets)", shall keep and preserve particulars thereof together with that I.S. Authorization or I.S. Sub-Authorization or "Form M (Sheets)" under which he gave or issued such document; and shall upon notice being given to him by or on behalf of the Minister of Supply produce those particulars and the said I.S. Authorization or I.S. Sub-Authorization or "Form M (Sheets)" to such person as may be designated in that notice.

SECTION V—DISPOSALS AND RECORDS BY DISPOSERS

7.—(1) No person shall dispose or agree to dispose of any iron or steel being of a type and class mentioned in the First Schedule to this Order: except to a person acquiring that material in accordance with the provisions of this Order and after either (as those provisions may require)—

(*a*) both (i) taking from the person to whom he disposes of that material such document as under those provisions that person may be required to give to him, and (ii) keeping and preserving that document; or

(*b*) both (i) duly completing such document as under those provisions the person acquiring that material may be required to submit to the disposer thereof for completion, and (ii) sending that document so completed to such address as may be specified therein for that purpose.

(2) Every person who by paragraph (1) of this Article is required to keep and preserve any document shall upon notice being given to him by or on behalf of the Minister of Supply produce that document to such person as may be designated in that notice.

PART II—TREATMENT USE AND CONSUMPTION

8. No person shall in the United Kingdom treat use or consume any iron or steel being of a type and class mentioned in the First Schedule to this Order: except that—

Acquired Material

(A) material acquired in accordance with the provisions of this Order may, for the purpose, and in the quantity for that purpose, respectively specified by or under those of the said provisions under which it has been acquired, be treated used and consumed by the person who has so acquired it; and

Own material—

(B) material produced and owned, or owned—

of an Authorizing Department, or

(1) by an Authorizing Department, may be treated used and consumed by that Department; and

of an Authorization or "Form M" Holder

(2) by the holder of an I.S. Authorization or an I.S. Sub-Authorization or a "Form M (Sheets)", may be treated used and consumed for the purpose, and in the quantity for that purpose, respectively specified for that material in that I.S. Authorization or I.S. Sub-Authorization or "Form M (Sheets)":

Restrictions on foregoing exempted treatment etc. (4th Schedule)

Provided that nothing in any of the above Exceptions shall authorize, and accordingly no I.S. Authorization or I.S. Sub-Authorization or "Form M (Sheets)" shall have effect to authorize (notwithstanding any appearance it may, by reason of the manner in which it is completed by the person issuing it, have or seem to have to the contrary), any person to incorporate any material mentioned in the Fourth Schedule to this Order in any article prescribed in that Schedule as an article for which that material is prohibited.

PART III—SPECIAL RESTRICTIONS IN STOCKHOLDING-MERCHANTING, AND INTERMEDIARY TRANSACTIONS

9. Notwithstanding anything in Articles 1–8 of this Order—

Stockholding Merchants not to acquire stock except under Licence or SQE

(1) (A) No stockholding merchant shall acquire or agree to acquire any iron or steel for his stocks for stockholding-merchanting: except (i) under the authority of and in accordance with a licence granted to him by or on behalf of the Minister of Supply, or (ii) under Article 5 of this Order.

" Stockholding-Merchanting I.S. Docket" given under Licence

(B) (i) A stockholding merchant who holds a licence under sub-head (A) of this Head (1) may acquire and agree to acquire material specified in that licence (up to the quantity or quantities so specified) from any person to whom he shall have addressed and delivered a duly completed " Stockholding-Merchanting I.S. Docket " ; and the person to whom that Stockholding-Merchanting I.S. Docket is originally addressed (but not the person to whom that addressee endorses it) may, for the purpose of disposing of the material specified in that Docket to the stockholding merchant who addressed that Docket to him, agree to acquire and acquire the material specified in that Docket from any person to whom he shall have endorsed and delivered that Docket.

Dockets given to be recorded and produced

(ii) The provisions of Article 6 of this Order shall apply to a stockholding merchant in respect of the Stockholding-Merchanting I.S. Dockets given by him and the licences under which he gave such Dockets, as those provisions apply in respect of an I.S. Indent and its Authorization to a person who gives such Indent.

Stockholding Merchants not to dispose, nor treat use or consume—

(2) No stockholding merchant shall dispose of any iron or steel in his stocks for stockholding-merchanting otherwise than in the form in which that steel was acquired by him, or treat use or consume any such iron or steel : except that—

except under I.S. Indent or " Form M ", and

(A) where both (i) the material is agreed to be acquired from him, and (ii) he holds an I.S. Indent or a " Form M (Sheets) " in respect of that material, he may treat use and consume that material for the purpose, and in the quantity for that purpose, respectively specified for that material in the Authorization or Sub-Authorization or " Form M (Sheets) " under which that Indent, or the further " Form M (Sheets) " which he himself holds, was given ; and

except limited fabrication

(B) he may cut, punch, drill, notch, bevel, and cleat, any material for the purpose of supplying it to a specific customer acquiring it from him in accordance with the provisions of this Order.

Intermediaries not to take delivery

(3) No person shall, in the course of an intermediary transaction, acquire or agree to acquire any iron or steel under the authority of an I.S. Authorization or I.S. Sub-Authorization or " Form M (Sheets) ": except where that iron or steel is to be and is delivered directly from the place where it is lying to the issuer of that I.S. Authorization or I.S. Sub-Authorization or " Form M (Sheets) " (an " intermediary transaction " meaning the acquisition under an I.S. Indent or a " Form M (Sheets) ", of any material for the purpose of supplying it, without treatment use or consumption, to the issuer of that I.S. Authorization or I.S. Sub-Authorization or " Form M (Sheets) " under the authority of which has been given the I.S. Indent, or the " Form M (Sheets) ", which the acquirer himself has issued.

PART IV.—FREE LIST (*5th Schedule*)

10. The provisions of the preceding Articles of this Order shall not apply in respect of any material mentioned in the Fifth Schedule to this Order.

PART V—MATERIAL ABROAD, EXPORTS, AND DIRECT IMPORTS

11. Notwithstanding anything contained in Articles 1–4 or in Article 7 of this Order: in any proceedings in respect of any acquisition or disposal or agreement to acquire or dispose of any material in alleged contravention of any provision of any of those Articles, it shall be a defence for the defendant to prove either—

Material situate Abroad

(1) that at the time at which the acquisition or disposal or agreement (as the case may be) was made, the material either (*a*) was situate outside the United Kingdom, or (*b*) if in the United Kingdom, had at all times remained on board the ship or aircraft in which it was brought into the United Kingdom; or, if the agreement did not relate exclusively to specific material, that no material landed or to be landed in the United Kingdom at the time of appropriation was or was intended to be appropriated to the agreement: or

Exports

(2) that the material was neither delivered nor intended to be delivered otherwise than for export, that is to say delivered either—

(*a*) outside the United Kingdom, or

(*b*) on board a ship or aircraft for exportation to some place outside the United Kingdom.

Direct Imports

12. Notwithstanding anything contained in Article 8 of this Order: in any proceedings in respect of any treatment use or consumption of any material in alleged contravention of any provision of that Article, it shall be a defence for the defendant to prove that that material was his "direct import", that is to say, that it had uninterruptedly been in his ownership from a time not later than the instant at which it had ceased to be on board the ship or aircraft in which it was brought into the United Kingdom.

PART VI—MISCELLANEOUS AND GENERAL

LICENCES

13.—(1) Anything the doing of which is prohibited under any provision of Articles 1–3, 7, or 8, or of paragraph (2) of Article 9, of this Order, may be done under the authority of and in accordance with a licence granted by or on behalf of the Minister of Supply.

Conditions in licences, etc.

(2) The holder of any licence granted, or of any authorization, indent, form, or docket, issued or given, under this Order, shall comply with any conditions contained or incorporated in that document; and Article 6 of this Order may be applied by the conditions of any such licence to its use, and shall in any case apply to the production of such licence and any such particulars.

Reduction of scope of Authorizations, etc., and revocation

(3) Any I.S. Authorization, I.S. Sub-Authorization, I.S. Indent, and "Form M (Sheets)", may be varied by any reduction of its scope (whereupon it shall have effect only as so reduced), or may be revoked, by notice given to the holder of it either (i) by the Authorizing Department by or with the authority of which it was issued or given, or (ii) by or on behalf of the Minister of Supply; and any Stockholding-Merchanting I.S. Docket may in like manner be revoked by or on behalf of the Minister of Supply.

Delivery up of revoked Licences, etc.

(4) If any authorization or indent or form issued or given under this Order is revoked by the Authorizing Department by or with the authority of which it was issued or given, the holder of that document shall forthwith deliver up that document to that Authorizing Department; and if any licence, authorization, indent, form, or docket, granted or issued or given under this Order, is revoked by or on behalf of the Minister of Supply, the holder of that document shall forthwith deliver up that document to or as directed by or on behalf of the Minister of Supply.

INTERPRETATION

Definitions

14.—(1) In and for the purpose of this Order, the expressions—

"iron" and "steel" mean, respectively, any material containing by weight more than 55 per centum Fe (and respectively being in all cases where it is not specifically stated so to be, of a type and class mentioned in the First Schedule to this Order):

"alloy iron" and "alloy steel" mean, respectively, any iron and any steel containing, by weight, one or more of the following in the percentage stated—

chromium	0.40 or more per centum
manganese	10.00 „ „ „ „
molybdenum	0.10 „ „ „ „
nickel	0.40 „ „ „ „
tungsten	0.10 „ „ „ „
vanadium	0.10 „ „ „ „

"high speed steel" means any alloy steel containing by weight either (*a*) 12 per centum or more of tungsten, or (*b*) both molybdenum and tungsten in respective percentages such that when the percentage of molybdenum therein is multiplied by two and added to the percentage of tungsten therein, the sum is not less than 12:

"non-alloy steel" means any steel not being alloy steel:

"condition" means in relation to any iron and to any steel, condition with respect to being new or secondhand or prime or defective:

"class" means in relation to any iron of any condition and to any steel of any condition, any such material falling within such class as is referred to and includes every variety of that class:

"class-conversion" means in relation to material of any type and class mentioned in the First Schedule to this Order, to treat that material in such manner that it ceases to be material which falls within that class, but nevertheless remains material of some class or classes therein mentioned:

" ' own-recovery ' material " has the meaning assigned to it in Proviso (B) (ii) to Article 2 of this Order:

" Authorizing Department " means a body named in the Second Column of the Second Schedule to this Order:

" Authorizing Symbol " means an Authorizing Department's symbol as allotted to it in the First Column of the Second Schedule to this Order:

" I.S." means Iron and Steel:

" I.S. Authorization " means a document issued by an Authorizing Department and (i) headed " Iron and Steel Distribution Orders ", (ii) also headed " I.S. Authorization " together with " Authorizing Symbol [*here put the Symbol*] ", (iii) shewing the name and address of the person authorized, (iv) stating the material and the weight thereof which, and the purpose for which that weight of that material, may be acquired, (v) stating the Delivery Period or Periods in which that material may be acquired, (vi) stating in respect of each such Delivery Period, the Authorizing Department's Authorization Number assigned to that Delivery Period, (vii) naming the Authorizing Department issuing it, (viii) dated, and (ix) signed by or on behalf of that Authorizing Department; and includes any such document headed (in lieu of the heading in (i) above) " Non-Alloy Iron and Steel Distribution Orders ":

" I.S. Sub-Authorization " means such document of that name issued under the authority of and by the holder of an I.S. Authorization or an I.S. Sub-Authorization, as complies with the requirements of that Authorization or Sub-Authorization under which it is so issued:

" I.S. Indent " means a document issued either (i) by an Authorizing Department, or (ii) under the authority of and by the holder of an I.S. Authorization or I.S. Sub-Authorization, and in each case being the issuer's usual signed commercial purchase note or other acquisition document, dated, and endorsed " I.S. Indent: Authorizing Symbol . . . [*inserting the Authorizing Symbol given on the authorization*]; Authorization No. . . . [*inserting the Authorization Number called for by the authorization*]; Period No. . . . [*inserting the Period Number called for by the authorization*] ":

" stockholding merchant " means a person who carries on (whether or not as part of or in conjunction with any other activity) the trade or business of taking iron or steel into stock on his own premises in the United Kingdom and re-selling therefrom as supplies from stock thereon:

" stock for stockholding-merchanting " means any stock held by any person for the purposes of or in the course of his trade or business as a stockholding merchant:

" Stockholding-Merchanting I.S. Docket " means a document (which may be either the usual stockholding-merchanting commercial purchase note or other acquisition document, or a separate document made for the purpose) (i) bearing that name, (ii) stating the number of the Stockholding-Merchanting Acquisition Licence under which it is issued, (iii) specifying the precise materials, and the weights thereof respectively, required, (iv) stating as specified in the said Licence, the Delivery Period or Periods within which delivery of the said materials is to be made, (v) giving the name and address of the person issuing it, (vi) dated, and (vii) signed by the person issuing it:

"intermediary transaction" has the meaning assigned to it in Article 9 (3) of this Order:

"export" has the meaning assigned to it in Article 11 of this Order:

"direct import" has the meaning assigned to it in Article 12 of this Order:

"Delivery Period" means any of the periods of three months ending on (I) the 31st March, (II) the 30th June, (III) the 30th September, or (IV) the 31st December, in any year: a

"Period Number" is any one of the numbers prefixed to the respective Delivery Periods in the immediately preceding definition and means, when used as a Period Number, that Delivery Period of that year with reference to which it is used: and

"SQE" means "Small Quantities Exemptions", which means the quantities and procedure for acquiring them provided under Article 5 of this Order.

Acquisition, disposal; carriers, warehousemen, and servants

(2) In and for the purpose of this Order—

(A) the expression "acquire" includes the acquisition, and the expression "dispose of" includes the disposal, of—

(i) ownership, or any proprietary interest; or

(ii) the right to possession; or

(iii) possession, whether or not accompanied by any acquisition or disposal of any ownership or of any proprietary interest or of the right to possession: and

(B) where any material is acquired by or disposed of to a carrier or warehouseman or servant acting in the ordinary course of his business or employment as such, that material shall be deemed to be acquired by or disposed of to the person on whose behalf or to whose order the carrier or warehouseman or servant so acquires that material and not by or to the carrier or warehouseman or servant; and where any material is acquired from or disposed of by a carrier or warehouseman or servant acting as aforesaid, that material shall be deemed to be acquired from or disposed of by the person on whose behalf or by whose order the carrier or warehouseman or servant so disposes of that material and not from or by the carrier or warehouseman or servant.

References to this Order and its amendments etc. in documents

(3) In any document granted or issued or given or served under or for the purpose of this Order (including this Order as varied by any subsequent Order), references to the "Iron and Steel Distribution Order" or to the "Iron and Steel Distribution Orders" or to "ISDO" shall be construed as references to this Order and to this Order as so varied; and references to the "Non-Alloy Iron and Steel Distribution Order" or to the "Non-Alloy Iron and Steel Distribution Orders" or to "NAISDO" shall also be construed as references to this Order and to this Order as so varied.

TRANSITIONAL

Sheet, and Tinplate, etc.—Current Authorizations, etc.

15.—(1) Any document which, immediately before the 4th day of February, 1952, was, under any of the Orders revoked by Article 16 of this Order, duly having effect in respect of any non-alloy steel of the class Sheet or of the class Tinplate–Terneplate–Blackplate–Silver-finished plate, shall on and after that day have effect, according to its tenor, for the purpose of this Order as varied by any subsequent Order: Provided that it shall also be subject to the effect of the provisions of paragraphs (2–4) of Article 13 of this Order (as so varied) as if it were a document made, and granted or issued or given, under this Order (as so varied) and in the event of any conflict between its tenor and those provisions then those provisions shall prevail.

Use of old forms of documents

(2) Any document duly made, and granted or issued or given, on or after the 20th day of November, 1951, in and on any form furnished to the maker thereof by an Authorizing Department or by or on behalf of the Minister of Supply, and purporting by its terms to permit or validate any acquisition or treatment use or consumption of iron or steel of any type or class, but not having before the 4th day of February, 1952. any operation under any Order revoked by Article 16 of this Order yet nevertheless referring to or incorporating a reference to any such Order, shall, on and after that 4th day of February, 1952, be deemed to have been made and to have been granted or issued or given under this Order as varied by any subsequent Order and shall be construed and have effect and be subject to the provisions of this Order (as so varied) accordingly—for which purpose any reference in the document to any provision of any of the Orders revoked by Article 16 of this Order shall be deemed to be a reference not only to the corresponding provisions (if any) of this Order (as so varied) but also to all additional or further or new requirements of those provisions.

REVOCATIONS

16. All still subsisting provisions of the Control of Iron and Steel (Nos. 62, 65, 67, 69, 79, and 80) Orders, 1948–51(**a**), and the Iron and Steel Utilization (Records) (No. 2) Order, 1950(**b**), are hereby revoked.

COMING INTO OPERATION; CITATION

17. This Order shall come into operation on the 4th day of February, 1952; and may be cited as the Iron and Steel Distribution Order, 1951.

Dated this 20th day of November, 1951.

Duncan Sandys,
Minister of Supply.

(**a**) S.I. 1948 (No. 81) II, p. 835; S.I. 1948 (No. 1333) II, p. 851; S.I. 1948 (No. 2630) II, p. 852; S.I. 1949 (No. 572) II, p. 578; S.I. 1950 (No. 829) III, p. 771; S.I. 1951 No. 276.

(**b**) S.I. 1950 (No. 1426) III, p. 793.

THE FIRST SCHEDULE

TYPES

(*a*) Alloy Iron. (*b*) Alloy Steel. (*c*) Non-Alloy Steel.

CLASSES

of the above Types of iron and of steel (being in any condition, that is, whether or not new or secondhand or prime or defective)—

(1) Ingot;

(2) Billet, bloom, slab;

(3) Sheet bar, tinplate bar;

(4) Plate—Heavy (that is, $\frac{3}{16}$ inches thick or thicker), Medium (that is, under $\frac{3}{16}$ inches but not less than 3 millimetres thick), (and whether coated or uncoated);

(5) Sheet (that is, under 3 millimetres thick but 18 inches wide or wider) (and whether coated or uncoated or coiled or not coiled or cut or not cut in lengths);

(6) Tinplate, terneplate, blackplate, silver-finished plate;

(7) Angle, channel, tee, joist, piling section, other sectional material;

(8) Round, rod, square, hexagon, flat, other section and shape, (and whether black or bright);

(9) Rail, sleeper, fishplate, soleplate;

(10) Hoop, strip, (and whether coated or uncoated, and whether hot or cold rolled);

(11) Tube, pipe;

(12) Tyre, axle, disc centre, wheel—for vehicles running on rails or in channels;

(13) Block for forging, block for pressing, forging, drop forging;

(14) Colliery arch, and accessories therefor, pit prop;

(15) Large Spring (that is, a laminated or volute or coil spring made either of round rod of not less than $\frac{5}{16}$ inches diameter or of other material of a corresponding cross-sectional area);

(16) Wire rod;

(17) Wire (whether plain or barbed) (and whether coated or uncoated);

(18) Wire rope, wire strand.

THE SECOND SCHEDULE

Symbol (after which other letters may or may not be added)	*Authorizing Department*
AGF/	Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries; and Ministry of Supply
BHM/	Board of Trade; and Ministry of Materials
CVL/	Ministry of Works
FGD/	Ministry of Fuel and Power
FPM/	Ministry of Fuel and Power
HED/	Ministry of Education; Ministry of Health; Ministry of Housing and Local Government; and Ministry of Pensions

Symbol (after which other letters may or may not be added)	*Authorizing Department*
HPO/	Home Office; and Post Office
ISI/	Ministry of Supply
LSC/	Ministry of Supply
MER/	Admiralty
MFD/	Ministry of Food
NAV/	Admiralty
NBR/	Scottish Departments
PET/	Ministry of Fuel and Power
RLY/	Ministry of Transport
SAR/	Ministry of Supply
SEI/	Ministry of Supply
SLW/	Ministry of Supply
SPK/	Ministry of Fuel and Power; and Ministry of Supply
SVT/	Ministry of Supply
TRN/	Ministry of Transport
TVX/	Ministry of Works
UTR/	Ministry of Commerce, Northern Ireland; and Ministry of Finance, Northern Ireland
WAC/	Air Ministry; Ministry of Civil Aviation; and War Office

THE THIRD SCHEDULE

(Article 5)

SMALL QUANTITIES EXEMPTIONS

Part I—Materials

Category	*Description*	*Quantity*
	A—NON-ALLOY STEEL	
(i)	Heavy plates (i.e., $\frac{3}{16}$-in. thick or thicker) coated or uncoated; sections, joists, and bars, not included in Category (iii)	1 ton
(ii)	Medium plates (i.e., under $\frac{3}{16}$-in. but not less than 3-mm. thick) coated or uncoated	10 cwt
(iii)	Sections 4 united inches and under; channels 3-in. web and under; joists under 3-in. web; rounds, squares and hexagons under 3-in.; flats 5-in. wide and under	1 ton
(iv)	Sheets (i.e. under 3-mm. thick but 18-in. wide or wider) coated or uncoated	10 cwt
(v)	Tinplate, terneplate, black plate, silver finished plate ...	10 double boxes or 1 ton
(vi)	Hoop and strip	10 cwt
(vii)	Tubes and pipes	15 cwt
(viii)	Forgings	1 ton
(ix)	Drop forgings	1 ton
(x)	Wire (whether plain or barbed) (and whether coated or uncoated)	5 cwt
(xi)	Wire rope; wire strand	5 cwt
	B—ALLOY IRON AND STEEL	
(xii)	Alloy iron and alloy steel of any description or descriptions	2 cwt

Part II—The Certificate to be given

The Certificate shall be—

" Iron & Steel Distribution Orders SQE

I do not hold any I.S. Authorization LSC which would cover the following, and acquisition of the following under the Small Quantities Exemptions of the above Orders does not bring me outside the limits of those Exemptions:—

[*or, in lieu of the above,* " No LSC and not exceeding ISDO/SQE:—"]

Description of Material *Quantity*

Dated.....19...

Name in block letters.....

Address .....

Signature....."

duly completed: Provided that a disposer of material to acquirers under Article 5 of the Order may keep a bound book with the first page thereof beginning with the first four lines in full of the Certificate as printed above, and it shall then be a sufficient certificate by any person if he enters and signs in that book the remaining details required by the above Certificate.

THE FOURTH SCHEDULE

RESTRICTIONS ON THE FREE TREATMENT USE AND CONSUMPTION EXCEPTIONS IN ARTICLE 8 OF THE ORDER

Material	*Articles for which the material is prohibited*
Blackplate, black sheet, tinplate, tinned sheet, silver-finished plate, terneplate, terne sheet, lead-coated sheet, galvanized sheet, (and whether or not (i) coated with any non-metallic coating, or (ii) partially fabricated, or (iii) marked with any mark formed into or in or on or by that material or by any printing thereon)	Advertising ashtrays Advertising metal tablets Advertising novelties Advertising showcards Advertising waiter trays Counter displays Dummies Window displays Any advertising signs not included in any of the foregoing
Alloy iron and alloy steel of any description not included above	

THE FIFTH SCHEDULE

MATERIAL WHICH MAY BE ACQUIRED, USED, &C., FOR ANY PURPOSE

1. High speed steel
2. Sheet guaranteed by the Makers to be sheet having specified electrical properties.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

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

The Order imposes a controlled Distribution Scheme for the TYPES of Iron and Steel listed in CLASSES in the First Schedule to the Order. In general—

(I) *Acquisition* of material is permissible only—(i) under an "I.S. Indent" (defined in Article *14*) given by the holder of, and in accordance with, an "I.S. Authorization" or "I.S. Sub-Authorization", or, in the case of small consumers an "I.S. Authorization LSC", the holder of which last, however, may not (Article *4*) acquire in any other way whatsoever material of a Type and Class which is already comprised in his I.S. Authorization LSC; or—(ii) in the case of *Non-Alloy Sheets*, under "Form M (Sheets)" (issued by Authorizing Departments) in accordance with the procedure set out in that Form (Article *3*); or—(iii) under SQE (the Small Quantities Exemptions procedure in Article *5*).

The various authorizations (defined in Article *14*) originate from the "Authorizing Departments" (Article *2* (*1*) and *2nd* Schedule).

But none of the foregoing arrangements allows (except SQE) acquisition for the replacement of (i) material which has been acquired and disposed of unused (i.e. in the form in which it was acquired), or (ii) "own-recovery" material (Article *2 Proviso* (*B*) (*ii*)) which has been disposed of.

Disposal is permitted accordingly, but where the Acquirer has to present or furnish a prescribed document before he can acquire, e.g. an I.S. Indent or a "Form M (Sheets)", then the Disposer must either, as the case may require, take and preserve the document furnished, or complete the document presented and send it to the address therein prescribed (Article *7*).

(II) *Treatment Use and Consumption* requires licencing unless the material has already been acquired under some authorization (or in the case of Non-Alloy Sheets, "Form M (Sheets)"), when it may be used etc. for the purpose (specified in the authorization or form) for which it was so acquired. I.S. Authorizations and Sub-Authorizations and "Form M (Sheets)" *cannot*, however, authorize acquisition for *class-conversion* (i.e. conversion from one Class to another); and in the case of *own material*, treatment use and consumption is permitted only under and in accordance with an I.S. Authorization or Sub-Authorization (or in the case of Non-Alloy Sheets, "Form M (Sheets)") held by the processor. (Material acquired under the Small Quantities Exemptions (Article *5*) may be used etc. for any purpose save as below.)

But in no case can material mentioned in the *4th Schedule* be used for any article for which it is prohibited in that Schedule (Article *8*, *Proviso*).

(III) *Stockholding-Merchants* cannot use Authorizations, Sub-Authorizations or "Form M (Sheets)" for acquiring in their stockholding business. They can acquire for their stocks only under special licence (when they must do so by issuing a "Docket"), or SQE, and they must not treat use or consume any material, even on behalf of a customer, except under the authority of and in accordance with an I.S. Indent or

"Form M (Sheets)" furnished to them for the purpose (Article *9 (2) (A)*), or under the usual "limited fabrication" (for the customer) described in Article *9 (2) (B)*.

Intermediaries cannot take delivery of materials and the material must go direct from the supplier who in fact has it to the ultimate customer (Article *9 (3)*).

(IV) *High Speed Steel* and *Sheets Guaranteed by the Makers to be sheets having Specified Electrical Properties* are exempt from the Scheme.

(V) *Material situate abroad* is exempt from the Scheme; but once the material is in the United Kingdom its acquisition and disposal, and its treatment use and consumption by anyone other than the direct importer (Article *12*), are controlled (Article *11*). Imports may be subject to restrictions under other legislation.

Exports may be delivered on ship or aircraft without licencing under the Order, but they may be subject to restrictions under other legislation; and in any case taking delivery in the United Kingdom before they are in the ship or aircraft requires licencing under the Order (Article *11*).

(VI) THE MINISTER OF SUPPLY retains general control by licencing etc., including the power to reduce or revoke any authorization, indent, sheet form, docket, etc., which may be current.

The Orders which remained subsisting in the old "Control of Iron and Steel" series, and the Iron and Steel Utilization (Records) (No. 2) Order, 1950, are revoked.

PIG IRON Distribution and Use is regulated by the Pig Iron Distribution Order, 1951 (S.I. 1951 No. 2005) coming into force concurrently with the above Order.

RECORDS must be kept of Indents, Sub-Authorizations, Forms M and Dockets given, issued or delivered.

The Iron and Steel Scrap Order, 1951

1951 No. 208

Made - - - -	*8th February*, 1951
Laid before Parliament	*10th February*, 1951
Coming into Operation	*12th February*, 1951

The Minister of Supply in exercise of the powers conferred on him by Regulations 55AB and 98 of the Defence (General) Regulations, 1939, as having effect by virtue of the Supplies and Services (Transitional Powers) Act, 1945(**a**) (as extended by the Supplies and Services (Extended Purposes) Act, 1947(**b**),

(**a**) 9 & 10 Geo. 6. c. 10; and S.R. & O. 1945 (Nos. 1611 and 1625) II, pp. 39 and 56.
(**b**) 10 & 11 Geo. 6. c. 55.