(D) OATS

(*a*) *Great Britain.* | (*b*) *Northern Ireland*, p. 696.

(a) GREAT BRITAIN

The Oats (Control and Prices) (Great Britain) Order, 1948

1948 No. 1760

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In exercise of the powers conferred upon him by Regulations 55, 55AA 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**), and of all other powers him enabling, the Minister of Food hereby makes the following Order:—

Interpretation.

1. In this Order—

" The Minister " means the Minister of Food.

" Approved buyer " means a person licensed as such under this Order and includes a person who immediately before the coming into force of this Order was licensed as an approved buyer under the Oats (Control and Prices) (Great Britain) Order, 1947, as amended(**d**).

" Brewer " means a " brewer for sale " as defined in Section 20 of the Inland Revenue Act, 1880.

43 & 44 Vict. c. 20.

" Buy ", " obtain ", " sell " or " supply " includes offer or agree to buy, obtain, sell or supply, as the case may be.

" Grower " means a grower of oats in Great Britain and includes the seller or supplier thereof on the first sale or disposition after threshing, but, for the purposes of the Second Schedule to this Order, shall not include an approved buyer.

" Home grown oats " means oats grown in the United Kingdom.

" Isle of Man approved buyer " means any person licensed by or on behalf of the Lieutenant-Governor of the Isle of Man as an approved buyer of Isle of Man oats.

" Isle of Man oats " means oats grown in the Isle of Man.

" Member of a Local Oats Panel " means a person appointed as such by or on behalf of the Minister for the purposes of this Order, the Oats (Control and Prices) (Great Britain) Order, 1942(**e**), the Oats (Control and Prices) (Great Britain) Order, 1943(**f**), the Oats (Control and Prices) (Great Britain) Order, 1944, as amended(**g**), or the Oats (Control and Prices) (Great Britain) Order, 1947, as amended.

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

(**b**) 9 & 10 Geo. 6. c. 10; and S.R. & O. 1945 (Nos. 1611 and 1615–25) II, pp. 39 and 45–56.

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

(**d**) S.R. & O. 1947 (Nos. 1574, 1905 and 2788) II, pp. 810, 819 and 821.

(**e**) S.R. & O. 1942 (No. 1492) II, p. 1360.

(**f**) S.R. & O. 1943 (No. 974) II, p. 1277.

(**g**) S.R. & O. 1944 (Nos. 789 and 1091) II, pp. 929–40; 1945 (Nos. 47 and 876) II, pp. 865, 829; 1946 (No. 1260) II, p. 974; and 1947 No. 1234.

" Milling Oats " means home grown oats sold to an oatmeal miller for use by him in the manufacture of any specified oat product or to an approved buyer for resale to an oatmeal miller buying for such use.

" Oatmeal miller " means a person licensed under the Oat Products (Control and Maximum Prices) Order, 1947(a), or any Order replacing that Order, to mill, manufacture or produce any specified oat product.

" Oats " means threshed oats and includes oat screenings and processed oats and oat products other than specified oat products.

" Oatflakes " includes white groats and rolled oats.

" Oatmeal " includes brown groats and all cuts of meal produced by the milling of oats, including the processes of dehusking and drying.

" Oat screenings " means any screenings mainly consisting of oats and produced in the course of threshing grain grown in the United Kingdom or Isle of Man or in the course of any subsequent sifting of such grain.

" M.A.F. sack " means a sack sold to a grower by the Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries made from 11 ounce/45 inch standard Hessian and measuring when empty approximately 25 inches by 44 inches.

" Processed oats and oat products " includes—

(i) specified oat products;

(ii) any processed oats or oat products (sold for use as an animal feeding stuff or for resale for such use) for which a maximum price is prescribed by the Feeding Stuffs (Maximum Prices) Order, 1948, as amended(b), or by any other Order of the Minister for the time being in force prescribing prices for animal feeding stuffs; and

(iii) flaked, ground or malted oats manufactured by an ultimate user of barley for use by him in brewing, or for resale by him (after processing) to another ultimate user of barley or to a brewer for use in brewing.

" Seed oat merchant " means a person licensed as such under this Order and includes a person who, immediately before the coming into force of this Order, was licensed as a seed oat merchant under the Oats (Control and Prices) (Great Britain) Order, 1947, as amended.

" Specified oat products " means oatmeal, oatflakes and oatflour.

" Ultimate buyer " means a person buying oats otherwise than for the purpose of resale or of sale after processing or manufacture, but, for the purposes of the Second Schedule to this Order, includes an ultimate user of barley buying oats—

(i) for use by him in brewing or malting; or

(ii) for resale by him (after processing) to another ultimate user of barley, or to a brewer for use in malting or brewing.

(a) S.R. & O. 1947 (No. 1985) II, p. 929.
(b) S.I. 1948 Nos. 169 and 1685, noted, p. 546 above.

" Ultimate user of barley " means a maltster licensed as such under the Malt (Restriction) Order, 1940(a), or any Order replacing that Order, or any person licensed as an ultimate user under the Barley (Control and Prices) (Great Britain) Order, 1947, as amended(b) or any other Order of the Minister for the time being in force prescribing prices for barley.

Sales, etc. for milling.

2. No grower shall sell or supply any oats grown by him for oatmeal milling or for resale for such milling except to an approved buyer or an oatmeal miller and no person other than an approved buyer or an oatmeal miller shall buy or obtain any such oats from a grower.

Sales, etc. for seed.

3.—(1) No person shall buy or obtain or sell or supply any oats for use as seed or for resale for such use except in accordance with the following provisions:—

(*a*) an approved buyer who is also a seed oat merchant may buy or obtain any home grown oats for resale as seed from a grower and a grower may sell or supply any such oats for resale as seed to any approved buyer unless the grower has reason to believe that such approved buyer is not also a seed oat merchant;

(*b*) an approved buyer who is also a seed oat merchant may buy or obtain any Isle of Man oats from an Isle of Man approved buyer for resale as seed;

(*c*) a seed oat merchant may buy or obtain from or sell or supply to any other seed oat merchant (including a seed oat merchant licensed as such by the Ministry of Agriculture for Northern Ireland) any oats for resale as seed;

(*d*) an ultimate buyer may buy or obtain any oats for use as seed from a seed oat merchant and a seed oat merchant may sell or supply any oats for use as seed to an ultimate buyer:

Provided that—

(i) in the case of a sale of more than 3 cwt. the seller shall, not later than seven days after giving delivery of the oats, demand from the buyer, and the buyer shall, not later than 14 days after taking delivery thereof furnish to the seller, a completed declaration and undertaking in the form set out in or containing the particulars provided for in Part I of the First Schedule to this Order; and

(ii) in the case of a sale of 3 cwt. or less, the seller shall keep or cause to be kept an accurate and separate record of such sale showing the date of sale, the name and address of the purchaser and the quantity of oats sold, and the seller shall retain any such record for not less than one year from the date of the transaction to which it relates.

(2) An ultimate buyer shall not sell or otherwise dispose of any oats bought by him for use as seed, and shall not use any such oats for any purpose other than seed.

Restriction on dealings by growers.

4. No grower shall sell or supply any oats grown by him (other than milling oats or oats sold or supplied for use as seed or for resale for such use) except to an approved buyer and no person other than an approved buyer shall buy or obtain any such oats from a grower.

(a) S.R. & O. 1940 (No. 1668) II, p. 671.

(b) S.R. & O. 1947 (Nos. 1636, 1887 and 2775) II, pp. 762, 773 and 775; and S.I. 1948 No. 619, p. 673 above.

Isle of Man oats.

5. No person (except an approved buyer buying Isle of Man oats from an Isle of Man approved buyer) shall buy or obtain any Isle of Man oats, for delivery in the United Kingdom, from any person in the Isle of Man.

Restriction on Transport.

6.—(1) No person owning or having in his possession or disposal in Scotland any oats shall consign or agree to consign any such oats to any place outside Scotland and no person shall buy or obtain any such oats with the intention of reselling or using such oats outside Scotland for any purpose whatsoever.

(2) The restrictions imposed by paragraph (1) of this Article shall not apply—

(*a*) to oats consigned to England, Wales or Northern Ireland for use as seed or for resale for such use or to any agreement for such consignment;

(*b*) to oat screenings or any oats certified in accordance with sub-paragraph (*b*) of paragraph (3) of Article 9 of this Order not to be sound, sweet or commercially clean;

(*c*) to any oats which have been tendered to the Minister by an approved buyer and in respect of which notice has been given to the approved buyer on behalf of the Minister that the Minister will not buy or offer to buy the same until they have been offered for sale in England or Wales.

7. No person owning or having in his possession any oats in England or Wales shall consign or agree to consign such oats to any place in Northern Ireland or Scotland.

Notification that oats artificially dried.

8. Where oats other than processed oats have been artificially dried before sale the seller shall, at or before the time of sale, notify the buyer in writing that the oats have been artificially dried; provided that it shall be a defence to proceedings under this Article if the defendant shows that he had no reason to believe that the oats had been artificially dried.

Minimum and maximum prices.

9.—(1) No person shall buy or sell any oats at a price exceeding the maximum price applicable in accordance with the provisions of the Second Schedule to this Order or at a price less than the minimum price so applicable.

(2) The provisions of paragraph (1) of this Article shall not apply to:—

(*a*) oats sold for use as seed or for resale for such use; or

(*b*) processed oats and oat products.

(3) The minimum prices prescribed by this Order shall not apply—

(*a*) to oat screenings;

(*b*) to oats which have been certified not to be sound, sweet or commercially clean by two members (not more than one of whom shall be an approved buyer) of a Local Oats Panel; or

(*c*) to a sale of oats by an approved buyer (who has bought the oats in question from a grower) to another approved buyer purchasing such oats for resale, provided that the price on the sale between the approved buyers exceeds the minimum price applicable on a sale by a grower by at least 2d. per cwt.

Price of M.A.F. sacks.

10.—(1) Where oats are sold in an M.A.F. sack each sack shall on every sale be charged by the seller as non-returnable and the price to be charged and paid therefor shall be 1s. 5d.

(2) The provisions of paragraph (1) of this Article shall not apply unless the said sack is at the time of sale in a suitable condition for the commercial transport of oats, has not been emptied since being originally filled with oats by the grower and was in a new condition at the time of being so filled.

Restriction on dealings by approved buyers.

11.—(1) Where any approved buyer has received an offer (not being an offer the acceptance of which would constitute an infringement of any Order of the Minister of Food for the time being in force)—

(*a*) from an oatmeal miller, offering to purchase at the maximum price applicable under this Order, any milling oats;

(*b*) from any person offering to purchase oats other than milling oats at the maximum price applicable under this Order, against the surrender of the appropriate ration documents, for feeding to horses;

(*c*) from any other approved buyer offering to purchase at the maximum price applicable under this Order any oats, and the latter approved buyer certifies in writing that he requires the oats to enable him to accept an offer from any person described in the preceding sub-paragraphs of this Article; or

(*d*) from any person authorised to purchase oats on behalf of the Minister;

the approved buyer shall not, unless and until either—

(*a*) he has supplied the required quantity to the person making such offer; or

(*b*) the offer has been withdrawn; or

(*c*) the person making such offer shall have—

(i) failed to tender payment to the approved buyer against delivery of the oats; or

(ii) rejected the oats;

sell or supply any oats except to any person making such an offer, or use any oats except for one of the following purposes:—

(i) in the milling by him for human consumption of oatmeal, oatflakes or oat flour;

(ii) in the manufacture by him of horsefeed for sale against appropriate ration documents.

(2) Nothing in this Article shall prohibit the sale by a seed oat merchant of any oats for seed.

Restriction on milling.

12. Except under the authority of the Minister no oatmeal miller shall use or cause to be used for milling any oats which he has bought at a price exceeding the maximum price applicable to milling oats in accordance with the provisions of the Second Schedule to this Order.

Declaration on sale of milling oats.

13. On a sale of milling oats to an oatmeal miller at a price exceeding the price which would have been applicable on that sale had the oats been home grown oats (other than milling oats) to which paragraph (1) of Article 9 of this Order applies—

(*a*) the seller shall not later than 7 days after giving delivery of the oats demand from the buyer, and the buyer shall not later than 14 days after taking delivery thereof furnish to the seller, a completed

declaration and undertaking in the form set out in or containing the particulars provided for in Part II of the First Schedule to this Order; and

(*b*) the seller shall invoice such oats as oats for milling.

14. Each declaration and undertaking furnished to a seller of any oats in accordance with Article 3 or Article 13 of this Order shall be retained by him for not less than one year from the date of receipt.

Keeping of records.

15.—(1) Every approved buyer and every seed oat merchant shall keep or cause to be kept an accurate record of all purchases and sales by him of oats specifying, in respect of each purchase and sale—

(*a*) whether the oats in question were bought or sold as milling oats or for use as seed or for resale as seed or otherwise, as the case may be;

(*b*) the name and address of the person from whom the oats were purchased or to whom they were sold;

(*c*) the quantity purchased or sold, and the price paid or charged.

(2) Retention by any person of an invoice or a copy of an invoice shall, as respects the particulars mentioned in that document, be sufficient compliance by that person with the provisions of this Article.

(3) Every person required by this Order to keep any record shall retain it for not less than one year from the date of the transaction to which it relates.

Particulars of additions to be furnished.

16. On any sale of oats the seller shall, on demand being made of him in writing by the buyer within 14 days of the date of the invoice, furnish to the buyer forthwith such written particulars as the buyer may require of any additional charges made under Part II of the Second Schedule to this Order in respect of that sale.

Artificial transactions; unreasonable charges.

17. No person shall in connection with the sale or disposition or proposed sale or disposition of any oats enter or offer to enter into any artificial transaction or make or demand any unreasonable charge.

Directions, authorisations and licences.

18.—(1) The provisions of this Order are subject to any directions which may at any time be given by or on behalf of the Minister, and to any licences or authorisations which may be granted by or on behalf of the Minister under this Order.

(2) Every person holding a licence or authorisation granted under this Order shall comply with every condition imposed by such licence or authorisation.

Infringements.

19. Infringements of this Order are offences against the Defence (General) Regulations, 1939.

Revocation.

20. The Oats (Control and Prices) (Great Britain) Order, 1947, as amended(**a**), is hereby revoked but without prejudice to any proceedings in respect of any contravention thereof; provided that any licence granted or given or having effect under the said Order and subsisting immediately before the date of the coming into force of this Order shall continue to have effect as though granted or given under this Order.

(**a**) S.R. & O. 1947 (Nos. 1574, 1905 and 2788) II, pp. 810, 819 and 821.

Application, commencement and citation.

21.—(1) This Order shall not, with the exception of the provisions relating to Isle of Man oats, apply to any oats grown outside the United Kingdom.

(2) This Order shall not apply to Northern Ireland.

(3) This Order shall come into force on the 1st day of August, 1948, and may be cited as the Oats (Control and Prices) (Great Britain) Order, 1948.

John Strachey,
Minister of Food.

Dated the 27th day of July, 1948.

THE FIRST SCHEDULE

PART I.—DECLARATION IN RESPECT OF OATS BOUGHT FOR USE AS SEED (ART. 3)

To .....(Name and address of Seller)
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I hereby declare that I require.....cwt. of oats to sow.....acres for next harvest on the following farm(s) :—

.....(Name and address of farm(s))
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I undertake that except under the authority of the Minister these oats will not be used or disposed of otherwise than for sowing on the said land.

Dated the day of , 194 .

Signature of Buyer.....

Address in full .....
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PART II.—DECLARATION IN RESPECT OF MILLING OATS (ART. 13)

To .....(Name and address of Seller)
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I hereby declare that I require.....cwt. of home grown oats for milling, and I undertake that except under the authority of the Minister these oats will not be used or disposed of otherwise than for milling.

Dated the day of , 194 .

Signature of Buyer.....

Address in full .....
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THE SECOND SCHEDULE

PART I.—MINIMUM AND MAXIMUM PRICES

DESCRIPTION OF SALE	MINIMUM AND MAXIMUM PRICES															
	For delivery in Aug. or Sept, 1948		For delivery in Oct., 1948		For delivery in Nov., 1948		For delivery in Dec., 1948		For delivery in Jan., 1949		For delivery in Feb. or March, 1949		For delivery in April or May, 1949		For delivery in June, 1949	
	Min.	Max.	Min.	Max.	Min.	Max.	Min.	Max.	Min.	Max.	Min.	Max.	Min.	Max.	Min.	Max.
COLUMN 1	Col. 2	Col. 3	Col. 4	Col. 5	Col. 6	Col. 7	Col. 8	Col. 9	Col. 10	Col. 11	Col. 12	Col. 13	Col. 14	Col. 15	Col. 16	Col. 17
	At the rate of (per cwt. net) s. d.	At the rate of (per cwt. net) s. d.	At the rate of (per cwt. net) s. d.	At the rate of (per cwt. net) s. d.	At the rate of (per cwt. net) s. d.	At the rate of (per cwt. net) s. d.	At the rate of (per cwt. net) s. d.	At the rate of (per cwt. net) s. d.	At the rate of (per cwt. net) s. d.	At the rate of (per cwt. net) s. d.	At the rate of (per cwt. net) s. d.	At the rate of (per cwt. net) s. d.	At the rate of (per cwt. net) s. d.	At the rate of (per cwt. net) s. d.	At the rate of (per cwt. net) s. d.	At the rate of (per cwt. net) s. d.
I. HOME GROWN OATS (ON A SALE OF MILLING OATS)—																
1. On a sale by a grower	18 3	19 11	18 3	20 1	18 5	20 1	18 7	20 3	18 9	20 7	18 9	20 11	18 9	21 3	18 9	21 5
2. On a sale by an approved buyer who has bought from a grower, or who is the first seller of the oats after threshing	18 9	20 5	18 9	20 7	18 11	20 7	19 1	20 9	19 3	21 1	19 3	21 5	19 3	21 9	19 3	21 11
3. On a sale by an approved buyer who has bought from another approved buyer	—	20 11	—	21 1	—	21 1	—	21 3	—	21 7	—	21 11	—	22 3	—	22 5
4. On any sale other than a sale mentioned in 1, 2 or 3 above	—	20 8	—	20 10	—	20 10	—	21 0	—	21 4	—	21 8	—	22 0	—	22 2
II. HOME GROWN OATS (ON A SALE OF OATS OTHER THAN MILLING OATS)—																
5. On a sale by a grower	18 3	19 8	18 3	19 10	18 5	19 10	18 7	20 0	18 9	20 4	18 9	20 8	18 9	21 0	18 9	21 2
6. On a sale to any person (other than an ultimate buyer) by an approved buyer who has bought from a grower, or who is the first seller of the oats after threshing ...	18 9	20 2	18 9	20 4	18 11	20 4	19 1	20 6	19 3	20 10	19 3	21 2	19 3	21 6	19 3	21 8
7. On a sale to an ultimate buyer by an approved buyer who has bought from a grower or who is the first seller of the oats after threshing	18 9	20 4	18 9	20 6	18 11	20 6	19 1	20 8	19 3	21 0	19 3	21 4	19 3	21 8	19 3	21 10
8. On any sale other than a sale mentioned in 5, 6 or 7 above	—	20 8	—	20 10	—	20 10	—	21 0	—	21 4	—	21 8	—	22 0	—	22 2
III. ISLE OF MAN OATS—																
9. On a purchase from an Isle of Man approved buyer ...	—	20 2	—	20 4	—	20 4	—	20 6	—	20 10	—	21 2	—	21 6	—	21 8
10. On a sale by an approved buyer to any person other than an ultimate buyer	—	20 5	—	20 7	—	20 7	—	20 9	—	21 1	—	21 5	—	21 9	—	21 11
11. On any sale other than a sale mentioned in 9 or 10 above	—	20 8	—	20 10	—	20 10	—	21 0	—	21 4	—	21 8	—	22 0	—	22 2

PART II.—CHARGES WHICH MAY BE MADE BY THE SELLER IN ADDITION TO THE MAXIMUM PRICES

1. *Credit*

The maximum prices prescribed by this Order are fixed on the basis of net cash; where credit is given by the seller to the buyer a reasonable charge may be made therefor, provided that the amount of such charge is quoted by the seller on the invoice.

2. *Transport Charges on a Sale of Home Grown Oats*

(1) The maximum prices for home grown oats prescribed by this Order are fixed on the basis that all transport charges after sale by the grower " ex farm " are for the account of the ultimate buyer, and accordingly on a sale of any home grown oats there may be added to such maximum prices all transport charges after sale by the grower " ex farm "; provided that such charges so added shall not exceed any reasonable amounts actually and properly paid or payable and any other reasonable sums representing transport costs properly incurred.

(2) Where on a sale of oats by the Minister an average or flat rate is charged in respect of transport, the amount so charged shall be deemed to be a reasonable amount actually and properly payable in respect thereof.

3. *Sack Charges*

(1) Where the seller provides returnable sacks (owned or hired by him) the seller may—

(*a*) make a charge at a rate not exceeding 1d. per sack for the first 14 days from the date of sale and ½d. per sack for each subsequent 7 days of hire, provided that where the sacks were hired by him the charge made by him to the buyer shall not exceed the charge actually paid or incurred by the seller for the hire of the sacks during the same period;

(*b*) make a further charge by way of deposit which shall not exceed—

(i) 7s. 0d. for any sack weighing 3½ lb. or more;

(ii) 5s. for any sack weighing 2 lb. or more, but less than 3½ lb.;

(iii) 2s. 6d. for any sack weighing less than 2 lb.

Any sum charged by way of deposit shall be repaid by the seller to the buyer on the re-delivery by the buyer of the sack (carriage paid) in such condition as is reasonable having regard to its condition when supplied and to ordinary wear and tear.

(2) Where the seller provides non-returnable sacks other than M.A.F. sacks, the seller may make a charge for each sack at a rate not exceeding 1s. 3d. per cwt. of the contents sold, provided that on a sale of less than 1 cwt. such charge may be at a rate not exceeding 1s. 6d. per cwt.

4. *Storage and Handling Charges*

On a sale, other than a sale by a grower, of oats which have been taken into and delivered out of the seller's store and where either the oats are delivered by the seller at the request of the buyer in a quantity of 81 cwt. or less or have been both re-bagged and re-weighed by the seller, the seller may make the following charges:—

(*a*) a charge not exceeding 3d. per cwt. in respect of oats sold by the seller for delivery during the same period for maximum prices mentioned in Part I of this Schedule as that in which the oats were delivered to him;

(*b*) a charge not exceeding 1d. per cwt. in respect of oats delivered to the seller before 30th September, 1948, and sold by him for delivery during October or November, 1948;

(*c*) a charge not exceeding 1d. per cwt. in respect of oats delivered to the seller before 30th November, 1948, and sold by him for delivery during December, 1948; and

(*d*) a charge not exceeding 1d. per cwt. in respect of oats delivered to the seller before 31st May, 1949, and sold by him for delivery during June, 1949.

5. *Small Lots*

Where on a sale to an ultimate buyer oats are, at the request of the buyer, delivered by the seller in any of the undermentioned quantities, a charge may be made by the seller in accordance with the following scale:—

Quantity delivered	Charge at a rate not exceeding—
	s. d.
10 cwt. or more but less than 20 cwt.	3 per cwt.
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½ ,, ,, ,, ,, ,, 1 ,,	1 6 per cwt. or 9d. per ½ cwt.
28 lb. ,, ,, ,, ,, ½ ,,	2 6 per cwt., 11¼d. per 42 lb. or 7½d. per 28 lb.
14 ,, ,, ,, ,, ,, 28 lb.	3 0 per cwt., 6¾d. per 21 lb. or 4½d. per 14 lb.
Under 14 lb.	4 0 per cwt. or 3d. per 7 lb.

6. *Charges in respect of Transport, Insurance, Freight, Containers, Storage and Handling on a sale of Isle of Man Oats*

(1) Charges of and incidental to delivery from the Isle of Man to the buyer in the United Kingdom, including charges in respect of transport, insurance, freight, and the provision of containers shall be such as may be approved by or on behalf of the Minister.

(2) Subject to the provisions of the preceding sub-paragraph such charges may be made by the seller on a sale of Isle of Man oats as are permitted by this Part of this Schedule in relation to home grown oats.

(3) On a sale of Isle of Man oats a charge may be made by the seller in respect of warehousing (including handling) both at the place of despatch in the Isle of Man and also at the place of arrival in the United Kingdom, provided that such charge in each case is reasonable and does not exceed 2d. per cwt. and is properly incurred, paid or payable.

7. *Prohibition of Further Additions*

Except as provided in this Part of this Schedule or under the authority of the Minister no charge shall be made in addition to the maximum prices prescribed in respect of credit, breaking bulk, transport, containers, storage and handling or cleaning.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

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

This Order replaces the Oats (Control and Prices) (Great Britain) Order, 1947.

The principal changes are—

(1) the Order sets out the maximum and minimum prices for oats in Great Britain for each month from August, 1948, to June, 1949, inclusive, and makes provision for storage and handling charges;

(2) the additions for M.A.F. and other non-returnable sacks are increased;

(3) charges for cleaning oats are prohibited;

(4) the provision prohibiting a seed oat merchant who is also an oatmeal miller from using for milling oats which he has bought for seed is replaced by a provision prohibiting an oatmeal miller from using for milling oats which he has bought at a price exceeding the maximum price for milling oats.