The Seed Potatoes (Amendment) Order, 1950

1950 No. 1962

Made - - - -	8*th December*, 1950
Laid before Parliament	8*th December*, 1950
Coming into Operation	13*th December*, 1950

The Minister of Food, in pursuance of the powers conferred upon him by Regulations 55, 55AA and 55AB 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 continued in force by the Supplies and Services (Continuance) Order, 1950(**c**)) and of all other powers him enabling in that behalf, hereby orders as follows:—

1. The Seed Potatoes Order, 1950(**d**) shall be amended as follows:—

(*a*) by substituting for Part I of the First Schedule thereto the First Schedule to this Order;

(*b*) by substituting for Part III of the First Schedule thereto the Second Schedule to this Order.

2. This Order may be cited as the Seed Potatoes (Amendment) Order, 1950; and shall come into operation on the 13th day of December, 1950.

Dated the 8th day of December, 1950.

Maurice Webb,
Minister of Food.

(**a**) 9 & 10 Geo. 6. c. 10; and S.R. & O. 1945 (Nos. 1611 and 1615–25) II, pp. 39 and 45–56.
(**b**) 10 & 11 Geo. 6. c. 55.
(**c**) S.I. 1950 No. 1769, p. 51 above.
(**d**) S.I. 1950 No. 1236, p. 715 above.

THE FIRST SCHEDULE

(To be substituted for Part I of the First Schedule to the Seed Potatoes Order, 1950)

PART I

SEED POTATOES AND THIRDS: FIXED GROWERS' PRICES

The price of thirds shall be the same as that of seed potatoes of the same variety and classification

Column 1	Column 2	Column 3	Column 4	Column 5	Column 6	Column 7	Column 8	Column 9	Column 10
Varieties	Scotland				Northern Ireland		England and Wales		
	Certified (Scotch)			Uncertified (Scotch)	Certified (Northern Ireland)		Certified (English) Certified (Welsh)		Uncertified (English once-grown); Uncertified (Welsh once-grown)
	A (Scot); A (Scot) NI	H (Scot); H (Scot) NI	Grade B Report		A (Nor. Ir.); A (Nor. Ir.) NI	H (Nor. Ir.); H (Nor. Ir.) NI	A (E); A (W); A (E) NI; A (W) NI	H (E); H (W); H (E) NI; H (W) NI	
	Per ton s. d.	Per ton s. d.	Per ton s. d.	Per ton s. d.	Per ton s. d.	Per ton s. d.	Per ton s. d.	Per ton s. d.	Per ton s. d.
GROUP 1 Arran Pilot, Ballydoon, Catriona, Di Vernon, Duke of York, Epicure, Home Guard, May Queen, Sharpe's Express, Ulster Chieftain, Ulster Ensign, Vanguard. ...	240 0	230 0	225 0	215 0	250 0	240 0	260 0	240 0	230 0
GROUP 2 Arran Banner, Arran Peak, Bintje (Muizen), Craig's Defiance, Dr. McIntosh, Dunbar Rover, Eclipse, Golden Wonder, King Edward VII, Majestic, Record, Red King, Royal Kidney, Stormont Dawn, Ulster Cromlech, Ulster Earl, Ulster Supreme, Up-to-Date ...	220 0	210 0	205 0	195 0	220 0	210 0	240 0	220 0	210 0

GROUP 3 Arran Consul, Dunbar Standard, Gladstone, Great Scot, Kerr's Pink, Redskin, Ulster Commerce	200	0	190	0	185	0	175	0	200	0	190	0	220	0	200	0	190	0
GROUP 4 Any other variety	190	0	180	0	175	0	165	0	190	0	180	0	210	0	190	0	180	0

The above prices are subject to the following provisions:—

(1) The fixed prices mentioned above include the cost of dressing and bagging the potatoes by the grower and all costs and charges of and incidental to delivery by the grower either (at buyer's option) f.o.r. grower's nearest railway station open for such traffic or free on buyer's lorry at grower's farm:

Provided that in Northern Ireland where the seed potatoes are delivered into buyer's store for dressing and bagging a charge not exceeding 10s. per ton may be made but such charge shall be for the account of the grower and shall not be passed on to any buyer.

(2) All bags, sacks, or other containers shall be provided by or at the cost of the buyer and no rebate in respect thereof shall be allowed by the grower to the buyer

(3) The riddle sizes for seed potatoes of the classifications and certificates mentioned in the above schedule shall be a top riddle of 2¼ inches and a bottom riddle of 1¼ inches, except in respect of seed potatoes grown in England and Wales of the classifications Uncertified (English once-grown) and Uncertified (Welsh once-grown), for which the top riddle shall be 2 inches and the bottom riddle 1¼ inches.

(4) The fixed prices mentioned above shall be increased in respect of deliveries made on and after 15th January, 1951, either by an amount at the rate of 10s. per ton, or, where the fixed price for ware potatoes of the same variety is greater than the price thus obtained, by an amount sufficient to increase the price of seed to that of ware potatoes of the same variety.

THE SECOND SCHEDULE

(To be substituted for Part III of the First Schedule to the Seed Potatoes Order, 1950)

PART III

MAXIMUM WHOLESALE AND RETAIL PRICES OF SEED POTATOES AND THIRDS SOLD IN QUANTITIES OF LESS THAN 1 TON OF ONE VARIETY

Column 1	Column 2	Column 3	Column 4	Column 5	Column 6	Column 7
Varieties	Classification (see Note 1)	10 cwt. and over but less than 1 ton	6 cwt. and over but less than 10 cwt.	2 cwt. and over but less than 6 cwt.	1 cwt. and over but less than 2 cwt.	14 lb. and over but less than 1 cwt.
		Rate per cwt.				Rate per 14 lb.
		s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
GROUP 1						
Arran Pilot, Ballydoon, Catriona, Di Vernon, Duke of York, Epicure, Home Guard, May Queen, Sharpe's Express, Ulster Chieftain, Ulster Ensign, Vanguard.	A1	22 4	24 4	28 7	33 1	4 7
	B2	21 5	22 9	24 9	28 0	3 9
	C3	20 4	20 8	21 2	22 2	2 11
	D4	16 6	16 9	17 0	17 9	2 4
GROUP 2						
Arran Banner, Arran Peak, Bintje (Muizen), Craig's Defiance, Dr. McIntosh, Dunbar Rover, Eclipse, Golden Wonder, King Edward VII, Majestic, Record, Red King, Royal Kidney, Stormont Dawn, Ulster Cromlech, Ulster Earl, Ulster Supreme, Up-to-Date.	A1	21 4	23 4	27 7	32 1	4 5
	B2	20 5	21 9	23 9	27 0	3 7
	C3	19 4	19 8	20 2	21 2	2 9
	D4	15 3	15 6	15 9	16 6	2 2
GROUP 3						
Arran Consul, Dunbar Standard, Gladstone, Great Scot, Kerr's Pink, Redskin, Ulster Commerce.	A1	20 4	22 4	25 4	28 4	4 1
	B2	19 5	20 9	22 9	25 9	3 5
	C3	18 4	18 8	19 2	20 2	2 7
	D4	14 6	14 9	15 0	15 9	2 1
GROUP 4						
Any other variety	A1	19 10	21 10	24 10	27 10	3 11
	B2	18 11	20 3	22 3	25 3	3 4
	C3	17 10	18 2	18 8	19 8	2 7
	D4	14 0	14 3	14 6	15 3	2 0

NOTE 1.—*Classification*

A1	C3
Certified (Scotch): A(Scot), A(Scot)NI, H(Scot), H(Scot)NI.	Certified (Scotch): Grade B Report.
Certified (Northern Ireland): A(Nor. Ir.), A(Nor. Ir.)NI, H(Nor. Ir.), H(Nor. Ir.)NI.	Uncertified (English once-grown).
Certified (English): A(E), A(E)NI.	Uncertified (Welsh once-grown).
Certified (Welsh): A(W), A(W)NI.	Uncertified (Scotch).
Certified (Eire): A(Eire), A(Eire)NI, H(Eire), H(Eire)NI.	D4
B2	Uncertified (English).
Certified (English): H(E), H(E)NI.	Uncertified (Welsh).
Certified (Welsh): H(W), H(W)NI.	

NOTE 2.—*Carriage Paid Prices*

The maximum prices mentioned in columns 3, 4, 5 and 6 of this Part of the Schedule may not be increased by any charge in respect of delivery. The maximum retail prices mentioned in column 7 may be increased by the actual cost incurred by the seller in delivering seed potatoes at the buyer's request otherwise than at the seller's premises (including any store or warehouse where the seed potatoes are stored or kept on his behalf) not exceeding an amount of 1s. in respect of each variety so delivered.

NOTE 3.—*F.O.R. Prices*

On the occasion of a sale by wholesale for delivery f.o.r. the maximum price shall be the fixed price applicable in accordance with the scales set out in Part I of the Schedule, plus the actual cost of bags, plus an amount not exceeding 1s. 9d. per cwt.

NOTE 4.—*Cost or Use of Bags*

The maximum prices mentioned in this Part of the Schedule shall include the cost or use of bags, sacks or other containers, provided that where the seller supplies a returnable container for the use of the buyer the seller may make or demand a reasonable charge by way of deposit.

NOTE 5.—*Maximum Wholesale Price of Thirds*

The maximum prices mentioned in columns 3 and 4 of this Part of the Schedule may be increased by an amount at the rate of sixpence per cwt. in respect of a sale of thirds.

NOTE 6.—*Maximum Retail Prices for Quantities of Less than 14 lb.*

The maximum retail price in respect of a quantity of less than 14 lb. shall be a fraction of the rate per 14 lb. provided that where the maximum retail price so calculated includes any fraction of a halfpenny such fraction shall be regarded as one halfpenny.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

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

This Order amends the Seed Potatoes Order, 1950. It provides for

(*a*) an increase in the price for Seed Potatoes sold in quantities of less than one ton ; and

(*b*) the annual mid-season increase in growers' fixed prices of ten shillings per ton.