(ii) GRAIN THRESHING

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A. ENGLAND

The Threshing Order, 1949

1949 No. 1344

Made - - - -	18*th July*, 1949
Laid before Parliament	19*th July*, 1949
Coming into Operation	21*st July*, 1949

In exercise of the powers conferred on him by Regulations 55 and 55AA of the Defence (General) Regulations, 1939, as having effect by virtue of the Supplies and Services (Transitional Powers) Act, 1945(**a**), as extended by virtue of the Supplies and Services (Extended Purposes) Act, 1947(**b**), and of all other powers him enabling the Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries hereby makes the following Order:—

1. This Order which shall apply to England and Wales only and may be cited as the Threshing Order, 1949, shall come into operation on the 21st day of July, 1949.

2. In this Order unless the context otherwise requires the following expressions have the meanings hereby respectively assigned to them:—

"Minister" means the Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries.

"Grower" means a grower of any wheat as defined in this Order in England or Wales and includes any person to whom the property in any such crop has passed before it is threshed.

"Head corn" means any threshed wheat other than tailings.

"Millable" means capable of being converted into a sound sweet flour for human consumption having regard to the customary methods employed in the milling industry for cleaning and conditioning.

"Potentially millable" means capable of being converted by treatment into millable wheat at a cost not exceeding 3s. 6d. per cwt., such cost to include proper allowance for wastage.

"Tailings" means that portion of the threshed crop of wheat which consists of broken, small or immature grains with or without weed seeds, dirt, stones, straw, chaff or other material separated in the course of threshing.

"Threshing tackle" means any threshing machinery or equipment, including combined harvester-threshers.

3. Except as hereinafter provided every person who is at the time of the making of this Order the owner or who shall after the making of this Order become the owner of any threshing tackle shall forthwith register his name and address with the Agricultural Executive Committee for any and every

(**a**) 9 & 10 Geo. 6. c. 10; and S.R. & O. 1945 (No. 1618) II, p. 48.
(**b**) 10 & 11 Geo. 6. c. 55.

County in which he carries out threshing operations and shall subsequently register his name and address with the Committee for any and every County to which he extends his threshing operations and shall give to such Committees such particulars of his threshing tackle as they may require and shall notify to such Committees any change thereof as and when any such change occurs.

Provided that any agricultural contractor and any owner of threshing tackle already registered with any Committee under the Agricultural Contractors (Registration and Control) Order, 1940(**a**) or under the Threshing Order 1946(**b**) respectively shall be deemed to have registered with that Committee in accordance with the requirements of this Article.

4. Every grower and every owner of threshing tackle and every agricultural contractor registered or deemed to have registered under this Order, shall keep an accurate record specifying separately the kind and weight in hundredweights of wheat threshed out by him or on his behalf and specifying in addition the kind and weight in hundredweights of head corn and tailings respectively threshed out by him or on his behalf.

5. Every owner of threshing tackle, whether or not he is a grower, and every such agricultural contractor as aforesaid shall within seven days after the completion of every threshing operation in which wheat has been threshed prepare and furnish to the Agricultural Executive Committee for the County in which the crop was threshed a return relating to the crop of wheat threshed, such return to be in the form set out in the Schedule hereto or such other similar form as the Minister may require, provided that where the threshing tackle was not operated by the owner thereof or any of his servants the person who or whose servants operated the threshing tackle (and not the owner thereof) shall comply with the requirements otherwise imposed on the owner by this paragraph.

6. Where the person required to furnish the return referred to in the preceding Article is not the grower, the grower shall afford him facilities to enable him to specify the particulars required to be included in the return.

7. Any person threshing or causing to be threshed any wheat shall do so in such a manner as to produce the greatest possible quantity of millable or potentially millable wheat.

8. Every person who is by this Order required to keep any record shall retain it for a period of twelve months from the date of the last entry in the record.

9.—(1) The Threshing Order, 1946(**b**), is hereby revoked.

(2) Every person shall notwithstanding the revocation of the said Order retain any record required to be kept by him thereunder until the expiration of twelve months from the date of the last entry in the record.

In witness whereof the Official Seal of the Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries is hereunto affixed this 18th day of July, 1949.

(L.S.) *T. Williams.*

(**a**) S.R. & O. 1940 (No. 1333) II, p. 271. (**b**) S.R. & O. 1946 (No. 1058) II, p. 78.

THE SCHEDULE

MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE

THRESHING ORDER, 1949

Return to be Furnished by Persons Threshing Wheat

(To be completed and forwarded *within seven days* to the Agricultural Executive Committee for the County in which the farm given in answer to Question 6 is situated.)

1. Name of owner of threshing tackle.....
2. Registered number.....
3. Date of Threshing.....
4. Number of hours actual threshing.....
5. Name and Address of Person on whose behalf the grain was threshed .....
6. Farm or holding on which the grain was grown.....
7. Total quantity (in cwts.) of grain threshed out (including any quantity to be retained for seed).

	(i) Head corn (including seconds, etc.)	(ii) Tailings	(iii) Total
Wheat	cwts.	cwts.	cwts.

Signature of person making return.....

Date.....

EXPLANATORY NOTE

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

This Order revokes the Threshing Order, 1946, which related to the keeping of records and making of returns respecting the threshing of wheat, barley and rye and re-enacts its provisions in respect of wheat alone.