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The following Conditions for the Storage of Gunpowder are published.

By Command,

F. H. MAY,
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*Conditions as to the Keeping of Gunpowder, as sanctioned by the
Governor in Council under section 11, para. 2,
of Ordinance No. 8 of 1873.*

1. No premises shall be licensed for the Storage of Gunpowder within the City of Victoria.
2. No premises shall be licensed for the Storage of Gunpowder unless they shall have been approved by the Superintendent of the Fire Brigade.
3. The Gunpowder shall be packed in a package so constructed as to prevent any portion thereof from escaping. The package should be a box or barrel made of wood or other suitable material, and on no account is any metal to be used in the construction of the package.
4. No package shall contain more than 100 lbs.
5. Each package shall have the words "GUNPOWDER—DANGEROUS" written, printed or marked on the lid or cover thereof in two-inch red letters both in English and Chinese.
6. The room in which Gunpowder is kept shall be so constructed as to be at all times inaccessible to any persons other than those authorized to enter the room. The locks used shall be made of brass.
7. The words "DANGER—BUILDING" should be affixed in legible characters both in English and Chinese to the outer side of the door of any room in which Gunpowder is stored.
8. The interior of any room in which Gunpowder is stored shall be kept in such condition as to prevent any grit, iron, steel or similar substance from coming in contact with the explosive.
9. Any tools used in the Store shall be made only of wood, copper, brass, or some soft metal or material or shall be covered with some safe or suitable material.
10. No detonating caps or fuzes nor articles of any other description except the receptacles for, or tools and implements for work in connection with, the storage of Gunpowder shall be kept in the same room as Gunpowder.
11. The room in which Gunpowder is stored shall not be open between the hours of 6 P.M. and 6 A.M., from October to March inclusive, nor between the hours of 7 P.M. and 5 A.M. from April to September inclusive.
12. The Licensees of licensed premises shall notify to the Superintendent of the Fire Brigade, on the first of each month during the currency of their licence, the quantity of Gunpowder stored therein.
13. Applications for the renewal of a licence must be sent in one month before the expiration of the licence, to enable the Inspector of Dangerous Goods to make his report on the state of the premises.

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COUNCIL CHAMBER,
HONGKONG, 12th May, 1902.