

No. 245.

Conditions of Licence to store Benzene made by the Officer Administering the Government-in-Council under Section 10 of the Dangerous Goods Ordinance, 1873, (Ordinance No. 1 of 1873), this 10th day of August, 1910.

1. Benzene shall be kept only in a room approved by the Captain Superintendent of Police.

2. Benzene shall not be kept, used or conveyed except in metal vessels so substantially constructed as not to be liable, except under circumstances of gross negligence or extraordinary accident, to be broken or become defective or insecure. No such vessel shall be of a capacity exceeding 10 gallons. It shall be so constructed and maintained that no leakage, whether of liquid or vapour, can take place therefrom.

3. Hanging lamps containing Benzene must be suspended by a metal or unflammable fastening.

4. Every such vessel, not forming part of a light locomotive, when used for conveying, or keeping Benzene, shall bear the words "BENZENE DANGEROUS HIGHLY INFLAMMABLE" legibly and indelibly stamped or marked thereon, and such vessel shall also bear a label on which shall be written in English and Chinese "In case of accident smother fire with sand, earth or cloth".

5. Before repairs are done to any such vessel, that vessel shall as far as possible, be cleaned by the removal of all Benzene and of dangerous vapours derived from the same.

6. Subject to the provisions of condition No. 7 not more than ten or sixty gallons, as the case may be, may be kept on the licensed premises between the hours of 6 a.m. and 6 p.m., and not more than 10 gallons may in any case be kept on the licensed premises between the hours of 6 p.m. and 6 a.m.

7. Any licensee who is licensed to keep more than 10 gallons of Benzene shall, subject to the provisions of condition No. 6, keep such Benzene in a room at least 10 feet distant from any other building, whether such building is or is not in the licensee's occupation. No other articles of any description shall be kept in such room.

8. The Benzene shall be sold in separate metal vessels, which shall be securely stoppered. Such vessel shall,—

- (a.) if the licensee is licensed to store not more than 10 gallons, contain not more than 1 pint;
- (b.) if the licensee is licensed to store not more than 60 gallons, contain not more than 10 gallons.

9. All vessels containing Benzene shall be kept securely closed, except that, when it is desired to fill vessels containing not more than one pint or ten gallons as the case may be, not more than one vessel containing not more than 10 gallons may be opened for the purpose of such filling. When the smaller vessel has been filled the larger vessel must be again securely closed.

Such filling must be done in daylight and no artificial light is to be taken into or used in any room in which there is any open vessel containing Benzene.

10. In case of all Benzene kept or conveyed for the purpose of, or in connection with, any light locomotive, (a) all due precautions shall be taken for the prevention of accidents by fire or explosion, and for the prevention of unauthorised persons having access to any Benzene kept or conveyed, and to the vessels containing or intended to contain, or having actually contained, the same; and (b) every person managing, or employed on, or in conjunction with, any light locomotive, shall abstain from every act whatever which tends to cause fire or explosion, and which is not reasonably necessary, and shall prevent any other person from committing such act.

11. The maximum quantity to be kept in the tank of the locomotive shall be 10 gallons.

II.—Conditions for quantities over 60 gallons.

1. Benzene shall be stored only in a fire-proof room or store. For the purpose of these conditions the term "room" or "store" shall mean any room or rooms attached to the licensed store whether Benzene be stored therein or not.

2. Such room or store shall be sufficiently well lighted, and ventilated both at top and bottom, and provided with doors and shutters of such material as shall be approved by the Director of Public Works so constructed as to be at all times easily and quickly closed.

3. No part of any such room or store shall be situated within a distance of 50 yards from any dwelling-house (whether such dwelling-house is or is not in the licensee's occupation) or from any anchorage.

4. Benzene shall be stored in :—

(1.) drums or barrels made of soft iron or mild steel having all joints either riveted or soldered or electrically welded, and strengthened or protected at each end by a strong iron or steel hoop welded or riveted on to the body of the drum, with two runners or rolling hoops welded or securely shrunk on to the body of the drum, such drums or barrels not being of a capacity of more than 65 gallons, each drum or barrel being provided with a well-fitting screw bung the boss of which is electrically welded or riveted and soldered, to the body of the drum or

(2.) in strong hermetically sealed metal drums commonly known as Insurance drums each containing not more than 10 gallons or

(3.) in hermetically sealed well-soldered tins furnished with high screw-top outlets each containing not more than four gallons, such barrels, drums or tins being so filled as to leave an air-space equal to at least 1/20th the capacity of each barrel, drum or tin, and the tins being protected by being enclosed in wooden cases, not more than two tins in one case, each wooden case having sides, top and bottom of not less than $\frac{3}{4}$ ths inch board, fastened together by nails of a length of not less than $1\frac{3}{4}$ inches. Each barrel, drum or tins shall bear the words "BENZENE DANGEROUS HIGHLY INFLAMMABLE" legibly and indelibly stamped or marked thereon, or on a metallic or enamelled label attached thereto, and such barrel, drum or tin shall bear also a label on which shall be written in English and Chinese "In case of accident smother fire with sand, earth or cloth".

5. No damaged barrel, drum or tin shall be received into such room or store.

6. No fire, matches, or artificial lights, shall be used or allowed within such room or store.

7. Such room or store shall be kept locked except when it is necessary to open the same for the purpose of storing or withdrawing Benzene.

8. Two receptacles each containing not less than 100 pounds of sand shall be kept ready for use in such room or store in case of accident.

9. No other goods shall be kept in the same room or with Benzene.

Note.—Application 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.

◆

No. 246.

Order made by the Officer Administering the Government-in-Council under Section 2 of the Copyright Ordinance, 1910, (Ordinance No. 14 of 1910), this 10th day of August, 1910.

His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government-in-Council has been pleased to direct that a book or books, to be entitled the Copyright Register, shall be kept by the Registrar General in his office for the purposes of the aforesaid Ordinance.