

EXECUTIVE COUNCIL.

Hong Kong.

No. 24.

Regulation made by the Governor in Council under sections 3 (1) and 4 (1) of the Tobacco Ordinance, 1931, Ordinance No. 37 of 1931, on the 11th day of January, 1932.

The following fees shall be payable for permits for removal to the Imports and Exports Office of tobacco which arrives in the Colony for transshipment and export, and cannot at once be placed direct on board the exporting vessel:—

Permit for three days or under	} 10 cents, or 2 cents per package per day or part of a day, whichever shall be the greater.
Second or continued permit, after the first three days ...	

D. W. TRATMAN,
Clerk of Councils.

COUNCIL CHAMBER,
11th January 1932.

NOTE.—The above regulation replaces the order under the repealed Tobacco Ordinance, 1916, published as G. N. 363 in the Gazette of 17th June, 1927.

Hong Kong.

No. 25

Regulations made by the Governor in Council under section 88 of the Liquors Ordinance, 1931, Ordinance No. 36 of 1931, on the 12th day of January, 1932.

1. The Governor in Council hereby appoints the following warehouses as General Bonded Warehouses under the Liquors Ordinance, 1931, namely:—

No. 1—Basement of Messrs. Caldbeck Macgregor & Co.'s premises at Prince's Building, Ice House Street, of which Messrs. Caldbeck Macgregor & Co., Ltd. shall be deemed the person in charge.

No. 2—10A Des Vœux Road Central, ground floor, of which Messrs. Caldbeck Macgregor & Co., Ltd. shall be deemed the person in charge.

- No. 3—1 Watson Road, North Point, ground floor, of which Messrs A. S. Watson & Co., Ltd. shall be deemed the person in charge.
- No. 4—8A Queen's Road Central, of which Messrs. Gande Price & Co., Ltd. shall be deemed the person in charge.
- No. 5—5 On Lok Lane, of which Messrs. Bradley & Co., Ltd. shall be deemed the person in charge.
- No. 6—7, 8, 9 and 10 Chung Hing Street, ground floor, of which Messrs. Himly, Ltd. shall be deemed the person in charge.
- No. 7—The premises between 15 Queen's Road Central and Exchange Building, of which Messrs. H. Ruttonjee & Son shall be deemed the person in charge.
- No. 8—Inland Lot No. 2227, Whitfield Road, of which Messrs. Kwong Sang Hong shall be deemed the person in charge.
- No. 9—The basement of Alexandra Building adjoining Chater Road, of which Messrs. Dodwell & Co., Ltd. shall be deemed the person in charge.
- No. 10—298, 300, 302, Des Vœux Road West, 1st floor, of which Messrs. Wing Lee Wai shall be deemed the person in charge.
- No. 11—1 Lee Yuen Street, West, ground floor, of which Messrs. Ty Sing shall be deemed the person in charge.
- No. 12—2 Centre Street, ground floor (inside the premises of the H. K. & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co.), of which Messrs. Kee Fung Yuk shall be deemed the person in charge.

2. The appointments are subject to the conditions set out in these regulations.

3. A bond to secure the duty with one or more sufficient sureties shall be given by the person or firm concerned in accordance with the following scale :—

\$5,000 for each 2,000 sq. ft. or fraction of 2 000 sq. ft. of the floor area of the warehouse appointed used for storing dutiable goods.

4. The appointment is limited to the period commencing on January 1st 1932, and expiring on June 30th, 1932.

5. The General Bonded Warehouse Regulations, published in Government Notification No. 548 of 1930, shall not apply to the Warehouses so appointed.

6. A fee of \$125 shall be payable by the person in charge.

7. No structural alteration to any such warehouse shall be made without the permission in writing of the Superintendent.

8. No article may be stored in any such warehouse other than dutiable goods.

9. All dutiable goods stored in any such warehouse shall be stowed in such a way that easy access may be had to any portion thereof.

10. No such warehouse shall be open for the receipt or delivery of dutiable goods between 4.30 p.m. and 8.30 a.m. or on Sundays or public or general holidays except with the permission in writing of the Superintendent, who shall be entitled to charge a fee not exceeding three dollars for every hour or portion of an hour in which such licensed warehouse shall be open before 8.30 a.m. or after 4.30 p.m., or on Sundays or public or general holidays.

11. The person in charge shall, immediately after any dutiable goods are received into or removed from his licensed premises, make due entry of such receipt or removal in a stock book in a form to be approved by the Superintendent. All entries shall be made in English unless the Superintendent, in any special case, shall give permission for the use of Chinese.

12. Every person in charge shall, not later than noon on every Monday morning (or on the following day if Monday is a public or general holiday) furnish to the Superintendent a return in a form to be supplied by him, concerning all dutiable goods stored, received and removed during the then previous week.

13.—(a) No package of dutiable goods shall be opened except in the presence of a revenue officer.

(b) No samples shall be drawn except in the presence of a revenue officer, and duty shall be paid on all samples removed from the warehouse.

(c) Any deficiencies discovered on examination shall be reported within 24 hours to the Superintendent.

(d) No empty package shall be stored in the same place as dutiable goods.

(e) Where the contents of a number of packages of one kind of dutiable goods in the same consignment are found on examination to be deficient, full packages shall, so far as possible, be made up from the partially empty packages, and the completely empty packages shall be removed at once from the premises.

(f) All empty or broken packages, and all packing paper, and other debris shall be removed daily.

(g) Should the nature of the business render it necessary to keep a stock of empty packages and packing material ready for immediate use, the same shall be stored in a separate locked compartment of the premises apart from the space used for the storage of dutiable goods.

(h) The minimum amount of dutiable goods which shall be removed in one consignment from the warehouse for export shall be as hereunder :—

Liquor of the same kind.....gallons 2.

14. Every such warehouse shall be fitted with such locks or other fastenings as the Superintendent may require, and such locks and fastenings shall be so arranged that no entry into the premises can be effected without the attendance of the Superintendent or a revenue officer.

15.—(a) Any loss or contraction of dutiable goods due to natural causes or unavoidable accident, or to leakage, breakage, deterioration, or loss of moisture or dust, not due to any negligence or default on the part of the person in charge or his servants, shall be deducted from the stock total of such goods and no duty shall be charged thereon if such loss is reported to a revenue officer as soon as it is discovered and is certified by him, after examination, to be a loss as aforesaid.

(b) All goods received into a licensed warehouse shall be deemed to be of the weight and measure reported unless the shortage, if any, on entry into such warehouse has been certified by a revenue officer.

(c) In the case of liquor stored in casks, the maximum amounts which shall be allowed for loss by evaporation shall be as under:—

I.—Beer. 4 gallons per hogshead.

II.—Wine.

<i>In casks of:—</i>	<i>For each year or part of a year.</i>
less than 20 gallons content	½ gallon.
20 gallons and less than 65 gallons	1 gallon.
65 gallons content and upwards	2 gallons.

III.—Spirits in casks under 80 gallons.

<i>Time in warehouse not exceeding.</i>	<i>Ordinary Allowance.</i>	<i>Special Allowance.</i>
2 months	3 per cent.	3 per cent.
6 months	5 per cent.	4 per cent.
1 year.....	6 per cent.	5 per cent.
and 3 per cent for each succeeding year.		and 2 per cent for each succeeding year up to the 5th.

Such special allowance shall only be granted where some definite defect in the cask is certified by a revenue officer after inspection.

16.—(a) Every such warehouse shall be lighted and ventilated in an efficient way to the satisfaction of the Superintendent.

(b) Every such warehouse shall be maintained in a good state of repair, and all doors, windows, bars, bolts, hinges, fastenings and locks shall be periodically examined and kept in good order, to the satisfaction of the Superintendent.

(c) Every such warehouse shall have the words “Bonded Warehouse No.” painted up legibly on the outside in letters and Chinese characters at least 4 inches high, together with the word “Liquors”.

(d) In every such warehouse a sufficient space shall be maintained free of any encumbrance in the best lighted part of the premises for the purpose of examination of packages by the inspecting officer.

(e) Office accommodation with the necessary furniture and writing materials shall be provided for the use of the inspecting officer. Such office shall be efficiently lighted at all times.

17. No smoking, naked lights or matches shall be allowed within the premises of any licensed warehouse.

18. All lamps used on the premises of any licensed warehouse must be made of substantial metal, the glass being protected by metal guards.

19. No person shall be allowed to sleep on the premises of any such warehouse.

20. Except as herein provided, every person in charge shall cause every bottle or vessel containing intoxicating liquors, other than Chinese wines and spirits, kept in stock by him, and on which duty has been paid, to be labelled over the cork thereof with a duty-paid label which shall be obtained by such person in charge from the Superintendent. Furthermore every person in charge shall keep a book and cause correct entries to be made therein showing the number of bottles or vessels in stock for which labels are required, the serial numbers of labels used, and the relative duty-paid permit: Provided that labelling as hereinbefore mentioned shall not be required for miniature bottles or vessels, or for bottles or vessels containing beer, stout or cider.

21. In these regulations, "package" shall include any box, basket, barrel, cask, case, jar, container, receptacle, sack, bag, wrapper or other thing in which dutiable goods are placed for the purpose of carriage, consignment, exportation or storage.

D. W. TRATMAN,
Clerk of Councils.

COUNCIL CHAMBER,
12th January, 1932.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

No. 26.—His Majesty the KING has not been advised to exercise his power of disallowance with respect to the following Ordinances:—

Ordinance No. 24 of 1931.—An Ordinance to amend the Liquors Consolidation Ordinance, 1911.

Ordinance No. 25 of 1931.—An Ordinance to amend the Gunpowder and Fireworks Ordinance, 1901.

Ordinance No. 26 of 1931.—An Ordinance to amend the law relating to the Registration of Births and Deaths.

Ordinance No. 27 of 1931.—An Ordinance to amend the Money-lenders Ordinance, 1911.

Ordinance No. 28 of 1931.—An Ordinance to amend the Land Registration Ordinance, 1844.

Ordinance No. 29 of 1931.—An Ordinance to amend further the Stamp Ordinance, 1921.

Ordinance No. 30 of 1931.—An Ordinance to amend the Peace Preservation Ordinance, 1886.

Ordinance No. 32 of 1931.—An Ordinance to amend the Code of Civil Procedure.

Ordinance No. 33 of 1931.—An Ordinance to amend further the Arms and Ammunition Ordinance, 1900.

R. A. C. NORTH,
Deputy Clerk of Councils.

COUNCIL CHAMBER,
14th January, 1932.