

STATUTORY RULES AND ORDERS

1942 No. 2455

EMERGENCY POWERS (DEFENCE)

Food (Saccharin)

THE SACCHARIN (CONTROL AND MAXIMUM PRICES) ORDER, 1942.

DATED DECEMBER 1, 1942.

In exercise of the powers conferred upon him by Regulation 55 of the Defence (General) Regulations, 1939, as amended, and of all other powers him enabling, the Minister of Food hereby makes the following Order:—

1. In this Order—

(a) "The Minister" means the Minister of Food.

(b) "Buy" includes offer or agree to buy and "sell" includes offer or agree to sell or expose for sale.

"Dulcin" means p-phenetylcarbamide.

"Dulcin solution" means any liquid (capable of being used as a substitute for sugar) in the preparation of which dulcin has been used.

"Full-strength saccharin tablet" means a tablet which—

(i) weighs not more than 1.1 grains and,

(ii) contains not more than 5 per cent. by weight of water-insoluble matter and not less than 0.27 of a grain and not more than 0.33 of a grain of saccharin mixed with a sufficient quantity of sodium bicarbonate to render the saccharin soluble with or without other excipients, or an equivalent amount of soluble saccharin with the addition of sodium bicarbonate or other excipients.

"Half-strength saccharin tablet" means a tablet which—

(i) weighs not more than 0.9 of a grain and,

(ii) contains not more than 5 per cent. by weight of water-insoluble matter, and not less than 0.135 of a grain and not more than 0.165 of a grain of saccharin mixed with a sufficient quantity of sodium bicarbonate to render the saccharin soluble with or without other excipients, or an equivalent amount of soluble saccharin with the addition of sodium bicarbonate or other excipients.

"Saccharin" means o-benzoic sulphinide.

"Sale by retail" means any sale to a person buying otherwise than for the purpose of resale and includes a sale to a caterer for the purposes of a catering business carried on by him but does not include a sale to a manufacturer for the purposes of his manufacturing business, and the expressions "sell by retail" and "retailer" shall be construed accordingly.

"Soluble saccharin" means the sodium salt of o-benzoic sulphinide.

"Saccharin solution" means any liquid (capable of being used as a substitute for sugar) in the preparation of which saccharin has been used.

"Standard saccharin tablet" means a tablet which—

(i) weighs not more than 1.1 grains, and

(ii) contains not more than  $\frac{5}{100}$  per cent. by weight of water-insoluble matter and not less than  $\frac{0.18}{100}$  of a grain and not more than  $\frac{0.22}{100}$  of a grain of saccharin mixed with sufficient sodium bicarbonate to render the saccharin soluble with or without other excipients, or an equivalent amount of soluble saccharin with the addition of sodium bicarbonate or other excipients.

“ Sweetening powder ” means any powder (capable of being used as a substitute for sugar) in the preparation of which saccharin or dulcin has been used but the expression does not include soluble saccharin or any powder wholly consisting of saccharin or dulcin.

“ Sweetening tablet ” means a tablet which—

- (i) weighs not more than 0.9 of a grain, and
- (ii) contains not less than 0.09 of a grain of saccharin and not less than 0.06 of a grain of dulcin mixed with sufficient sodium bicarbonate to render the tablet soluble with or without other excipients.

2. No person shall—

- (a) buy retail or sell by retail any saccharin solution, dulcin solution, saccharin in powder form, dulcin in powder form, soluble saccharin in powder form, or sweetening powder;
- (b) buy or sell any tablets (capable of being used as a substitute for sugar) other than full-strength saccharine tablets, half-strength saccharin tablets, standard saccharin tablets and sweetening tablets;
- (c) after the 31st day of January, 1943, buy or sell any full-strength or half-strength saccharin tablets by retail;
- (d) until after the 31st day of December, 1942, buy or sell any standard saccharin tablets;
- (e) sell by retail any full-strength saccharin tablets except in packets containing 50 or 100 of such tablets and bearing a label stating in clearly legible letters the number of tablets contained in the package and the saccharin content of each packet;
- (f) sell by retail any half-strength saccharin tablets or standard saccharin tablets except in packets containing 100 of such tablets and bearing a label stating in clearly legible letters the number of tablets contained in the packet and the saccharin content of each tablet;
- (g) sell by retail any sweetening tablets except in packets containing 100 of such tablets and bearing a label stating in clearly legible letters the number of tablets contained in the packet and the saccharin and dulcin content of each tablet.

3.—(1) Every person who sells any saccharin tablets, saccharin in powder form, soluble saccharin or dulcin otherwise than by retail shall keep or cause to be kept an accurate record of all purchases and sales thereof by him, such record to include particulars identifying the persons from whom the same was purchased and to whom the same was sold and particulars of the quantities purchased and sold and the prices paid and charged.

(2) Retention by a person of an invoice or of a copy of an invoice shall as respects the particulars contained therein be a sufficient compliance by that person with the provisions of the foregoing paragraph of this Article.

4.—(1) No person shall buy or sell any saccharin in powder form, soluble saccharin or dulcin in powder form at a price exceeding the maximum price applicable in accordance with Part I of the Schedule to this Order.

(2) No person shall buy or sell any full-strength half-strength or standard saccharin tablets or sweetening tablets at a price exceeding the maximum price applicable in accordance with Part II of the Schedule to this Order.

(3) The maximum prices specified in Part I and in Part II, Column 2 of the Schedule to this Order shall include all costs and charges of and incidental to packing and delivery at the buyer's premises and no additional charge shall be made for packing or delivery.

5. No person shall in connection with the sale or disposition or proposed sale or disposition of any saccharin in powder form, soluble saccharin, dulcin

in powder form or any full-strength or half-strength saccharin tablets, standard saccharin tablets or sweetening tablets enter or offer to enter into any artificial transaction or make or demand any unreasonable charge.

6. Infringements of this Order are offences against the Defence (General) Regulations, 1939.

7. The Saccharin (Control and Maximum Prices) Order, 1941, as amended(a), is hereby revoked but without prejudice to any proceedings in respect of any contravention thereof, provided that any licence granted under that Order and subsisting immediately before the coming into force of this Order, shall continue to have effect as though granted under this Order.

8.—(1) The provisions of this Order are subject to any directions which may at any time be given by or on behalf of the Minister, and to any licence or authorisation which may be granted by or on behalf of the Minister under this Order.

(2) Every person holding a licence or authorisation granted under this Order shall comply with any condition imposed by such licence or authorisation.

9. This Order—

(a) shall not apply to Saxin tablets manufactured by Burroughs Wellcome and Company, Limited;

(b) shall come into force on the date hereof;

(c) may be cited as the Saccharin (Control and Maximum Prices) Order, 1942.

By Order of the Minister of Food.

*H. L. French,*

Secretary to the Ministry of Food.

Dated the 1st day of December, 1942.

### THE SCHEDULE

#### Maximum Prices

#### PART I

Column 1	Column 2
Saccharin in powder form	At the rate of—
In quantities of—	£ s. d.
more than 16 oz. ... ..	4 18 4 per lb.
more than 8 oz. but not more than 16 oz. ... ..	5 16 0 "
more than 4 oz. " " 8 oz. ... ..	6 0 0 "
more than 2 oz. " " 4 oz. ... ..	6 4 0 "
more than 1 oz. " " 2 oz. ... ..	6 8 0 "
not more than 1 oz. ... ..	6 12 0 "
Soluble saccharin	
In quantities of—	
more than 16 oz. ... ..	3 19 4 "
more than 8 oz. but not more than 16 oz. ... ..	4 17 0 "
more than 4 oz. " " 8 oz. ... ..	5 1 0 "
more than 2 oz. " " 4 oz. ... ..	5 5 0 "
more than 1 oz. " " 2 oz. ... ..	5 9 0 "
not more than 1 oz. ... ..	5 13 0 "
Dulcin in powder form ... ..	6 0 0 "

(a) S.R. & O. 1941 (No. 2129) II, p. 1125 as amended by 1942 Nos. 174, 348 and 1106.



## PART II

Column 1	Column 2	Column 3
	On any sale other than a sale by retail	On a sale by retail
	At the rate of—	
	s. d.	s. d.
Full-strength saccharin tablets	4 6 per 12 packets each containing 50 tablets	6 per packet containing 50 tablets
	8 6 per 12 packets each containing 100 tablets	1 0 per packet containing 100 tablets
	6 3 per 1,000 tablets (when sold otherwise than in packets each containing 50 or 100 tablets)	
Half-strength saccharin tablets	5 6 per 12 packets each containing 100 tablets	8 per packet containing 100 tablets
	3 9 per 1,000 tablets (when sold otherwise than in packets each containing 100 tablets)	
Standard saccharin tablets	7 0 per 12 packets each containing 100 tablets	10 per packet containing 100 tablets
	5 0 per 1,000 tablets (when sold otherwise than in packets each containing 100 tablets)	
Sweetening tablets	6 9 per 12 packets each containing 100 tablets	9 per packet containing 100 tablets

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