

- (c.) That the licensee will, when he deals with a wholesale or retail distributor, limit that distributor to a quantity of petrol not exceeding four weeks' supply, or such greater or less supply as may be determined from time to time by the Minister in Charge on the advice of the Board of Trade :
- (d.) That when the licensee knows or has reasonable grounds to suspect that a consumer or distributor is already in possession of more than the supply specified in the two last preceding paragraphs, he will refuse to supply that consumer or distributor with any further petrol during such period as will reasonably suffice to reduce his stocks to the quantity so prescribed :
- (e.) That the licensee in supplying petrol will give preference to those requiring it for essential uses as defined by the Minister in Charge on the advice of the Board of Trade :
- (f.) That the licensee will keep accurate records of all sales of petrol, and will permit such records to be inspected at all times by any officer authorized for that purpose by the Minister in Charge :
- (g.) That at the request of the Minister in Charge the licensee will refuse supplies of petrol to any consumer or distributor until that consumer or distributor has furnished to the Minister such particulars as he may require with regard to the holding, disposition, or use of supplies of petrol by that consumer or distributor :
- (h.) That the licensee will not sell petrol at prices in excess of those which may be approved from time to time by the Board of Trade :
- (i.) That the licensee will from time to time as required make to the Minister in Charge or to the Board of Trade such returns relative to the business of the licensee in regard to petrol as the Minister or Board may require for the purpose of the effective control of the importation, sale, supply, or distribution of petrol, such returns to be verified by statutory declaration if required :
- (j.) That before the issue of any such license the licensee will give security to the Crown for the due observance of the terms and conditions of such agreement in the sum of £500, or such lesser sum as the Minister may on the advice of the Board of Trade think sufficient, such security to be given by the deposit of money with the Minister in Charge, or in such other manner as the Minister on the advice of the Board of Trade may think sufficient :
- (k.) That if any dispute arises between the licensee and the Minister in Charge as to the interpretation or effect of such agreement, or as to any breach thereof by the licensee, the dispute shall be referred to the Board of Trade, whose decision shall be final.

Part III.—Purchase of Petrol.

9. (1.) Save in pursuance of a distributing license issued by the Minister in Charge on the recommendation of the Board of Trade, it shall not be lawful for any person to acquire under a contract of sale or otherwise (whether such contract is made before or after the coming into operation of these regulations) the ownership or possession of more than four thousand gallons of petrol at one time (other than petrol imported by himself).

(2.) The exercise by any person of any powers of disposition over any petrol not then already in the ownership or possession of that person shall be deemed to be an acquisition of the possession thereof within the meaning of this regulation.

(3.) All petrol the ownership or possession of which is acquired by any person, whether from the same or from different persons, within any period of twenty-eight days shall be deemed to have been acquired at one time within the meaning of this regulation.

10. A license granted under this Part of these regulations shall be revocable at the will of the Minister in Charge.

11. Any such license may be granted on such terms and conditions, whether as to the disposition of the petrol to be so acquired or otherwise, as the Minister in Charge on the advice of the Board of Trade thinks necessary in the public interest for the due control of the sale, supply, or distribution of petrol.

12. The Board of Trade may from time to time require any person to make to the Board a return of all stocks of petrol held by him, and it shall be the duty of that person forthwith to make such return accordingly, verified if the Board so requires by a statutory declaration.

13. Every person shall be guilty of an offence and shall be liable under the War Regulations Act, 1914, accordingly who—

- (a.) Acquires the ownership or possession of petrol in breach of the provisions of this Part of these regulations ; or
- (b.) Commits any breach of the terms or conditions on which a license has been granted to him under this Part of these regulations ; or
- (c.) Obtains any such license on a false representation ; or
- (d.) Fails to make any return required from him in pursuance of these regulations ; or
- (e.) Makes any such return which is false in any respect ; or
- (f.) Makes any false representation for the purpose of obtaining a supply of petrol from any other person.

Part IV.—Price of Petrol.

14. In this Part of these regulations—

The term " Class A " means petrol, motor-spirit, benzine, naphtha, and gasoline :