

# CUSTOMS TARIFF.

No. 21 of 1959.

An Act relating to Duties of Customs.

[Assented to 29th April, 1959.]

**B**E it enacted by the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty, the Senate, and the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Australia, as follows:—

Short title  
and citation.

1.—(1.) This Act may be cited as the *Customs Tariff* 1959.

(2.) The *Customs Tariff* 1933–1958\* is in this Act referred to as the Principal Act.

(3.) The Principal Act, as amended by this Act, may be cited as the *Customs Tariff* 1933–1959.

Amendment of  
Tariff.

2. The Schedule to the Principal Act is amended as set out in the Schedule to this Act and duties of Customs are imposed in accordance with the first-mentioned Schedule as amended by the last-mentioned Schedule.

Time of  
imposition  
of duties.

3. The time of the imposition of the duties of Customs imposed by this Act is the twentieth day of February, One thousand nine hundred and fifty-nine, at nine o'clock in the

\* Act No. 27, 1933, as amended by No. 31, 1933; Nos. 14, 68, 76 and 80, 1936; Nos. 3, 67, 68 and 69, 1938; Nos. 2, 28, 53, 56, 59, 62 and 64, 1939; Nos. 1, 5, 9, 12 and 92, 1948; Nos. 76 and 79, 1949; Nos. 22, 32, 60 and 80, 1950; No. 82, 1952; No. 76, 1953; Nos. 3 and 4, 1954; Nos. 15, 58, 62 and 86, 1956; Nos. 53, 54, 81 and 84, 1957; and Nos. 15, 20 and 37, 1958.

forenoon, reckoned according to standard time in the Australian Capital Territory, and this Act shall be deemed to have come into operation at that time.

THE SCHEDULE.

Section 2.

AMENDMENTS OF THE SCHEDULE TO THE PRINCIPAL ACT.

IMPORT DUTIES.

Tariff Items.	British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tariff.
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**DIVISION IV.—AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS AND GROCERIES.**

54. By adding a new sub-item (E) as follows:—

“(E) Gherkins which but for this sub-item would be classifiable under item 54 (A)—

(1) Quarter-pints and smaller sizes - per dozen	11d.	1s. 6d.	1s. 9d.
(2) Half-pints and over quarter-pints - per dozen	1s. 10½d.	3s.	3s. 6d.
(3) Pints and over half-pints - per dozen	3s. 9d.	6s.	7s.
(4) Quarts and over pints - per dozen	7s. 6d.	12s.	14s.
(5) Exceeding a quart - per gallon	2s. 3d.	3s. 3d.	4s. 3d.
(6) When preserved in spirituous liquid, additional duty to be paid on the liquid per gallon	30s.	31s.	31s.”

78. By omitting sub-item (H) and inserting in its stead the following sub-item:—

“(H) Almonds—

(1) Unshelled - per lb.	1s. 9d.	2s.	2s.
Subject to a reduction by an amount calculated on the F.O.B. price of -	75 per cent.	75 per cent.	75 per cent.
(2) Kernels for use in the manufacture of marzipan, as prescribed by Departmental By-laws -	Free	Free	Free
(3) Kernels n.e.i. - per lb.	5s. 2½d.	5s. 6d.	5s. 7d.
Subject to a reduction by an amount calculated on the F.O.B. price of -	75 per cent.	75 per cent.	75 per cent.”

**DIVISION V.—TEXTILES, FELTS AND FURS, AND MANUFACTURES THEREOF, AND ATTIRE.**

105. By omitting sub-paragraph (b) of paragraph (1) of sub-item (A) and inserting in its stead the following sub-paragraph:—

“(b) Cotton piece goods and piece goods containing a mixture of fibres in which cotton predominates (excepting piece goods enumerated in sub-item (AA) or (F) and piece goods ordinarily used as linings or interlinings), weighing more than 4 ounces per square yard and less than 18 ounces per square yard, of types which either as imported or when further processed are ordinarily used for the manufacture of men's or boys' overcoats coats vests trousers knickers (not being underwear) aprons or overalls—

(1) Weighing not more than 7 ounces per square yard, 37 inches or over in width and not exceeding 100 inches in width, twill woven, bleached or unbleached, not printed, for use in the manufacture of bed sheets or pillow cases - per lb.	4d.	4d.	7d.
and ad val.	15 per cent.	25 per cent.	25 per cent.

THE SCHEDULE—*continued.*IMPORT DUTIES—*continued.*

Tariff Items.	British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tariff.
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Division V.—Textiles, Felts and Furs, and Manufactures Thereof, and Attire—*continued.*105.—*continued.*“ (b)—*continued.*

(2) Other - - - - - per lb. and ad val.	7d. 27½ per cent.	10d. 45 per cent.	10d. 45 per cent.”
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By adding to sub-item (A) a new paragraph (5) as follows:—

“ (5) Piece goods otherwise classifiable under item 105 (A)

(1) (b) (1), for use in the manufacture of bed sheets or pillow cases, as prescribed by Departmental By-laws—

(a) Unbleached, not printed - per square yard or ad val.	½d. 5 per cent.	¾d. ..	2¾d. ..
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whichever rate returns the lower duty.

(b) Bleached, not printed - per square yard or ad val.	½d. 5 per cent.	1d. ..	3d. ..
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whichever rate returns the lower duty.”

## 106. By omitting sub-item (F) and inserting in its stead the following sub-item:—

“ (F) Buttons n.e.i., including blanks and those partly finished—

(1) Wholly or partly of gold or silver - ad val.	45 per cent.	62½ per cent.	62½ per cent.
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(2) Wholly or principally of casein or of synthetic materials; imitations of trochus shell or pearl shell—

(a) Blanks, flat, plain, not processed ad val.	22½ per cent.	35 per cent.	35 per cent.
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(b) Other, including such goods having metal fittings or metal fastening devices

for each ligne measurement per gross less ad val.	1½d. 12½ per cent.	1½d. ..	1½d. ..
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(3) Wholly or principally of vegetable ivory including corozo and dum-nut animal shell bone horn ivory - - - ad val.	10 per cent.	22½ per cent.	22½ per cent.
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(4) Other including those wholly or principally of glass not being imitations of trochus shell or pearl shell - - - ad val.	22½ per cent.	35 per cent.	35 per cent.”
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## DIVISION VIII.—EARTHENWARE, CEMENT, CHINA, GLASS, AND STONE.

## 250. By omitting sub-item (G) and inserting in its stead the following sub-item:—

“ (G) Vacuum flasks jugs cans and similar vacuum containers and parts therefor - - - ad val.	22½ per cent.	45 per cent.	52½ per cent.”
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THE SCHEDULE—*continued.*IMPORT DUTIES—*continued.*

Tariff Items.	British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tariff.
<b>DIVISION XV.—MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS.</b>			
362. By omitting from the item the following:— “ ; piano accordions ”.			
366. By omitting sub-item (c) and inserting in its stead the following sub-item:— “ (c) Accordions— (1) Piano accordions       :       :       : ad val. (2) Other                   :       :       : ad val.	Free Free	10 per cent. 12½ per cent.	12½ per cent. 17½ per cent.”
<b>DIVISION XVI.—MISCELLANEOUS.</b>			
400. By omitting sub-item (b) and inserting in its stead the following sub-item:— “ (b) Goods imported for repair, alteration or industrial processing and intended to be exported, as prescribed by Departmental By-laws - - - -	Free	Free	Free ”