

CUSTOMS TARIFF (No. 2).

No. 54 of 1957.

An Act relating to Duties of Customs.

[Assented to 20th November, 1957.]

BE 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 (No. 2)* 1957.

(2.) The *Customs Tariff* 1933–1956,* as amended by the *Customs Tariff* 1957,† is in this Act referred to as the Principal Act.

(3.) Section one of the *Customs Tariff* 1957 is amended by omitting sub-section (3.).

(4.) The Principal Act, as amended by this Act, may be cited as the *Customs Tariff* 1933–1957.

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.—(1.) The time of the imposition of the duties of Customs (not being duties of Customs the time of the imposition of which is fixed by either of the next two succeeding sub-sections) imposed by this Act is the twenty-third day of May, One thousand nine hundred and fifty-seven, at nine o'clock in the 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.

(2.) The time of the imposition of the duties of Customs imposed by this Act in respect of which a date later than the twenty-third day of May, One thousand nine hundred and fifty-seven, is specified in the Schedule to this Act is the later date so specified, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, reckoned according to standard time in the Australian Capital Territory.

(3.) The time of the imposition of the duties of Customs imposed by this Act and set out in the column headed "Intermediate Tariff" in the Schedule to this Act, upon goods which are specified in, and are the produce or manufacture of a British or foreign country specified in, a Proclamation issued on or after the twenty-second day of May, One thousand nine hundred and

* 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; and Nos. 15, 58, 62 and 86, 1956.

† Act No. 53, 1957.

fifty-seven, and prior to the date on which this Act receives the Royal Assent, applying or varying the application of the rates of duty so set out to those goods, is the time and date specified in that Proclamation.

4.—(1.) Every Proclamation issued on or after the twenty-second day of May, One thousand nine hundred and fifty-seven, and prior to the date on which this Act receives the Royal Assent, applying or varying the application of rates of duty set out in the column headed “Intermediate Tariff” in the Schedule to this Act to goods which are specified in, and are the produce or manufacture of a British or foreign country specified in, the Proclamation, and every Proclamation issued during that period revoking or varying any such Proclamation, shall be deemed to have been lawfully made.

Validation of Proclamations.

(2.) The power conferred by sub-section (3.) of section nine A of the *Customs Tariff* 1933-1957 to issue a Proclamation revoking or varying a Proclamation issued in pursuance of sub-section (1.) of that section includes a power to revoke or vary a Proclamation referred to in the last preceding sub-section.

THE SCHEDULE.

Section 2.

AMENDMENTS OF THE SCHEDULE TO THE PRINCIPAL ACT.

IMPORT DUTIES.

Tariff Items.	British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tariff.

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

105. By omitting the whole of 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-items (AA) and (F) and piece goods ordinarily used as linings or interlinings), weighing more than 4 ounces per square yard but less than 18 ounces per square yard, viz.:-

(1) Of types which either as imported or when further processed are principally used for the manufacture of men's or boys' overcoats coats vests trousers knickers (not being underwear) aprons or overalls - per lb.

4d.	10d.	1s. 1d.
27½ per cent.	45 per cent.	45 per cent.

(2) Of types which either as imported or when further processed are ordinarily, but not principally, used for the manufacture of men's or boys' overcoats coats vests trousers knickers (not being underwear) aprons or overalls - - per lb.

4d.	7d.	10d.
27½ per cent.	27½ per cent.	27½ per cent.

(3) Twill woven, 37 inches or over in width but not exceeding 100 inches in width, weighing not more than 7 ounces per square yard.

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

Tariff Items.	British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tariff.
Division V.—Textiles, Felts and Furs, and Manufactures thereof, and Attire—<i>continued.</i>			
105.— <i>continued.</i>			
which but for this clause would be classified under sub-item (A) (1) (b) (1), for use in the manufacture of bed sheets or pillow cases per lb. and ad val.	4d. 15 per cent.	4d. 25 per cent.	7d. 25 per cent."
By omitting the whole of paragraph (3) of sub-item (A) and inserting in its stead the following paragraph:—			
"(3) Piece goods, woven, weighing six ounces or more per square yard, of the types which either as imported or when further processed are ordinarily used for furnishings, drapes or upholstery (not including moquettes, chenille fabrics and other pile fabrics, fabrics printed in fast colours and curtain nets), as prescribed by Departmental By-laws—			
(a) Wholly of artificial silk; composed of a mixture of fibres in which at least 10 per cent. by weight is artificial silk and, if the mixture of fibres includes wool, not more than 5 per cent. by weight is wool - ad val. less per square yard	50 per cent. 2½d.	50 per cent. ..	60 per cent. ..
(b) Wholly of cotton; wholly of linen; composed of a mixture of fibres but not including a mixture of fibres in which more than 5 per cent. by weight is wool, except piece goods enumerated in sub-item (A) (3) (a) - ad val.	32½ per cent.	50 per cent.	60 per cent."
By adding to sub-item (A) a new paragraph (4) as follows:—			
"(4) Cotton piece goods and piece goods containing a mixture of fibres in which cotton predominates, which but for this paragraph would be classified under sub-item (A) (1) (a), weighing not less than eight ounces per square yard, used for the same purposes as, or capable of being used as a substitute for, canvas or duck of cotton or containing a mixture of fibres in which cotton predominates—			
(a) As prescribed by Departmental By-laws per square yard	Free 4d.	1d. 11d.	2½d. 1s. 1d.
(b) Other - - - - - per lb. and ad val.	15 per cent.	32½ per cent.	37½ per cent."
By omitting the whole of paragraph (3) of sub-item (F).			
106. By omitting the whole of paragraph (2) of sub-item (E) and inserting in its stead the following paragraph:—			
"(2) Wholly of metal (not being partly or wholly of gold or silver) including metal enamelled - - - ad val.	17½ per cent.	27½ per cent.	27½ per cent."
115. By omitting the whole of sub-item (E) and inserting in its stead the following sub-item:—			
"(E) Women's and girls' stockings, including stockings worn below the knee—			
(1) Woollen or containing wool per dozen pairs or ad val.	10s. 6d. 17½ per cent.	20s. 6d. 35 per cent.	20s. 6d. 45 per cent.
whichever rate returns the higher duty.			
(2) Other - - - - - per dozen pairs or ad val.	8s. 17½ per cent.	28s. 35 per cent.	28s. 40 per cent.
whichever rate returns the higher duty."			
122. By adding a new sub-item (G) as follows:—			
"(G) Bobs or wheels, polishing or scouring, of felt or in which the material of chief value is felt - ad val.	5 per cent.	12½ per cent.	12½ per cent."

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

Tariff Items.	British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tariff.
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DIVISION VI.—METALS AND MACHINERY.

168. By adding to sub-item (A) a new paragraph (5) as follows:— “ (5) Stitching machines, and sewing machines n.e.i., but not including— speed controllers; and lighting attachments (known as needlelights), imported with and for use with domestic type electric sewing machines driven by electric motors which by application of Prefatory Note (12) are not dutiable under this paragraph - - - ad val.	Free	7½ per cent.	7½ per cent.”
169. By adding a new sub-item (E) as follows:— “ (E) Taximeters including mechanical driving units imported with and for use therewith - - - ad val.	25 per cent.	35 per cent.	35 per cent.”
174. By omitting the whole of paragraph (10) of sub-item (B).			
179. By omitting from paragraph (3) of sub-item (B) the following:— “ Automatic Voltage Regulators;” By omitting sub-paragraph (d) of paragraph (1) of sub-item (D) and inserting in its stead the following sub-paragraph:— “ (d) Motors under 1 horse-power, excepting goods covered by sub-items (D) (1) (e) or (G) - - - ad val.	22½ per cent.	35 per cent.	57½ per cent.”
By adding to paragraph (1) of sub-item (D) new sub-paragraphs (e) and (f) as follows:— “ (e) Of the type ordinarily used with motor vehicles, imported separately - - - ad val. (f) N.E.I. - - - ad val.	27½ per cent. 22½ per cent.	45 per cent. 40 per cent.	57½ per cent. 57½ per cent.”
By adding a new sub-item (G) as follows:— “ (G) Motors and speed controls, combined or separate, of the types used with domestic type electric sewing machines, including lighting attachments (known as needlelights) imported with and for use therewith - - - ad val.	22½ per cent.	35 per cent.	50 per cent.”
By adding a new sub-item (H) as follows:— “ (H) Automatic voltage regulators:— (1) Motor vehicle type— (a) Three unit type for 6 volt or 12 volt systems - - - ad val. (b) Other - - - ad val. (2) Other - - - ad val.	27½ per cent. Free Free	40 per cent. 7½ per cent. 12½ per cent.	40 per cent. 7½ per cent. 12½ per cent.”
194. By omitting the whole of paragraph (1) of sub-item (B) and inserting in its stead the following paragraph:— “ (1) Simple, duplex or triplex transmission chain or chains of roller, bush or conveyor types, with a pitch not less than .5 inch and not exceeding 6 inches, but not including bicycle chain or chains of .5 inch pitch and .13 inch or .192 inch width between inner plates - - - ad val.	27½ per cent.	45 per cent.	50 per cent.”
By omitting the whole of paragraph (3) of sub-item (B) and inserting in its stead the following paragraph:— “ (3) Roller, bush or conveyor types, other; inverted tooth types - - - ad val.	Free	7½ per cent.	7½ per cent.”

THE SCHEDULE—continued.

IMPORT DUTIES—continued.

Tariff Items.	British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tariff.
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Division VI.—Metals and Machinery—continued.

208. By adding a new sub-item (s) as follows:—

“(s) Buckles, wholly of metal (not being partly or wholly of gold or silver) including metal enamelled, other than for hats shoes and other attire - ad val.	17½ per cent.	27½ per cent.	27½ per cent.”
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DIVISION IX.—DRUGS AND CHEMICALS.

285. By adding to sub-item (b) a new paragraph (3) as follows:—

“(3) Tablets consisting of a single therapeutic substance or consisting of a single therapeutic substance combined with non-therapeutic ingredients, provided the therapeutic substance is not reasonably available from Australian production or manufacture, as prescribed by Departmental By-laws			
{ per 1,000 tablets	3s. 4d.	3s. 4d.	3s. 4d.
and ad val.	..	10 per cent.	10 per cent.
or ad val.	10 per cent.	20 per cent.	20 per cent.
whichever rate returns the lower duty.”			

DIVISION XIII.—PAPER AND STATIONERY.

338. By omitting the whole of sub-item (D) and inserting in its stead the following sub-item:—

“(D) Catalogues, price lists and printed advertising matter, not designed to advertise the sale or hire of goods by, or the services of, any person in Australia, as prescribed by Departmental By-laws - - -	Free	Free	Free ”
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By omitting the whole of sub-item (F).

DIVISION XVI.—MISCELLANEOUS.

376. By adding after “handbags” (second time occurring) in sub-item (H) the following:—
“; purse frames”.

400. By omitting the whole of sub-item (a) and inserting in its stead the following sub-item:—

“(a) Goods imported for repair or alteration and intended to be returned to the country whence imported, subject to such conditions as may be prescribed by Departmental By-laws - - -	Free	Free	Free ”
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404. By adding a new item 404 as follows:—

“404. Samples which, in the opinion of the Minister, are of negligible value and which are to be used for promoting orders for the importation of goods of the kind represented by the samples, as prescribed by Departmental By-laws - - -	Free	Free	Free
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And on and after 7th November, 1957

404. Samples which, in the opinion of the Minister, are of negligible value, as prescribed by Departmental By-laws - - -	Free	Free	Free ”
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