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Inventory of Quantitative Import Restrictions  
Applied by Countries other than those Covered by  
the Joint Working Group

Addendum

NEW ZEALAND

EXPLANATORY NOTES

1. The products subject to the various restrictions are shown in the list and arranged by their respective BTN numbers.
2. Countries (or group of countries) which have indicated an interest:  
Canada for BTN 16.04.  
EEC for the BTN Nos. 04.05, 08.01, 08.02, 08.04, 10.01, 11.01, 22.03, 22.09.  
United States for the BTN Nos. 04.05, 07.02, 07.04, 07.05, 08.01, 08.02, 08.04, 08.08, 10.01, 11.01, 24.01.
3. Type of restriction; the following symbols are used in the list below:

ST: State trading.

- L: Basic items; licences are granted according to a percentage allocation based either on the amount of a previous period's licences or on the amount of actual imports made during a previous period. In general, applications are not required for basic licences where the allocation is based on licence issue for a previous licensing period; licences are issued under the automatic issue procedure. Applications are, however, required for items where the allocation is based on imports.\*
- C: Item for which applications for licences will be considered individually. However, an initial allocation is provided in the Schedule for some of these items, and licences will be granted according to the percentage indicated.
- D: Items for which applications for licences will be considered only in the most exceptional circumstances.

Provision is made for the issue of administrative basic licences to cover the importation of particular or specific goods covered by a particular item code.\*\* The administrative basic allocation is made to vary the allocation specified in the Schedule for the general range of goods covered by the item.

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\* Applies to items ex 08.09.011.019, ex 08.10.002, 009, 019, ex 08.11.001, 009, 12.01.200-400, ex 20.03.000, ex 20.06.099, ex 20.07.009, 101, 109, 209, 301, 309

\*\* Applies to items 15.08.002, 011, ex 15.12.009, 15.15.001, 15.17.001

In some items licences for small or "token" amounts are issued for certain approved classes of goods, imports of which are generally not permitted under the Schedule.

The following group licence schemes are in force:

Industry Groups: Items within an industry group cover raw materials and components normally associated with the manufacture in New Zealand of particular classes of goods. An applicant may transfer to a group all or any of his entitlements under the individual item codes covered by the group; or he may transfer part only of any individual entitlement. The following items are covered by various Industry Groups: ex 08.11.006, 15.02.001-009, 15.03.001, 009, 15.05.001, 009, 15.10.101, 109, 15.11.001, 15.12.002, ex 009.

Interchangeability Groups: Licences issued under this scheme may be used for the importation of all or any of the items specified in the group item code in the Schedule. The following items are covered by the various groups: 09.10.005, ex 19.02.000, ex 19.07.009, ex 19.08.001, ex 20.07.201, 209-302, 309, 599, 20.06. 003, 021, 023, 029, 049, 092, ex 099.

The Export Incentive Scheme is a scheme to encourage the export of goods manufactured in New Zealand. In brief, it makes provision for the issue of additional import licences to manufacturers who have exported, or intend to export, New Zealand made goods incorporating imported licensed raw materials or components.

4. Goods imported from and being wholly the produce or manufacture of the Cook Islands (including Niue) or Western Samoa are not subject to import licensing. Australian goods which may be imported into New Zealand exempt from import licence are listed separately.
5. Comments: Unless otherwise indicated, comments in this column are those of the New Zealand Delegation
6. Reference: Import Licensing Schedule, 1973-74 Licensing Period, New Zealand Department of Trade and Industry publication, COM.AG/W/72/Add.32 L/2741/Add.11

GENERAL POLICY STATEMENT

(Communicated by the New Zealand Delegation 14 November 1973)

These restrictions form part of New Zealand's import licensing system which has been maintained for balance-of-payments reasons and subject to annual consultations under Article XII. With effect from 11 May 1973 the Government of New Zealand notified contracting parties it no longer wished to invoke the provisions of Article XII.

As stated by the New Zealand representative at the GATT Council Meeting on 29 May 1973 the Government of New Zealand had accepted, in view of New Zealand's current balance-of-payments and reserves position, that it was no longer appropriate to continue to have recourse to Article XII; that the prices of the major exports are notoriously unpredictable and the balance-of-payments position was still liable to sudden adverse movements; that the new Government was presently engaged in a fundamental reappraisal of New Zealand's economic strategy as a whole and that obviously a thorough examination of the present import régime would be an integral part of this study; and that the Government would take account in this examination of its international obligations including its obligations under the GATT.

BTN	Commodity description	Type of restriction	Comments
02.02	Dead poultry ... and edible offals thereof ...	L	
ex 03.01	Fish fresh (dead), chilled or frozen (03.01.002-009)	D	
03.02	Fish, dried, salted or in brine; smoked fish ...	D	
03.03	Live crustaceans and molluscs (03.03.001)	C	
	Others crustaceans and molluscs ...	D	
ex 04.02	Milk and cream, preserved, concentrated or sweetened, in liquid or semi-solid form (04.02.100)	L	
04.05	Bird's eggs and egg yolks ...	ST	The Egg Marketing Authority was established in 1953 (following the dismantling of war-time stabilization controls) to ensure adequate supplies and the equitable distribution of eggs in the interests of producers and consumers. It is estimated that about 60 per cent of total egg production is handled by licensed distributors operating as agents of the Authority. A subsidy, at present at the rate of 3.33 cents per dozen is paid by the Government in respect of eggs marketed under these.

BTN	Commodity description	Type of restriction	Comments
04.05 (cont'd)			arrangements to offset collection and distribution costs that would otherwise be passed on to consumers. There are no quantitative restrictions on imports of eggs and New Zealand is self-sufficient in egg production. It is not considered that the operations of the Egg Marketing Authority conflict with the provisions of Article XVII of the GATT.
04.06 ex 07.01	Natural honey Onions, fresh or chilled (07.01.302)	L, ST C	
	Other vegetables, fresh or chilled, except for capers and olives (07.01. excl. 07.01.301 and 302)	L	
07.02	Vegetables (whether or not cooked) preserved by freezing	L No licence is required for peas and beans (07.02.00 and 002) imported from and being the produce of Australia	These items, and certain others listed in Part III of Appendix 1 of the import licensing schedule were included in the original NAFTA arrangements as examined by the CONTRACTING PARTIES under Article XXIV of the GATT (see the second schedule to the New Zealand-Australia Free Trade Agreement Act 1965, No.46). This concession was incorporated into the Agreement because it was considered that with free access into Australia New Zealand would gain substantial advantage in these goods and that the affected Australian industry

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		should be given equal access to the New Zealand market. Total imports of these items from Australia in 1971/1972 were less than \$NZ 68,000 so the concession has not been of major importance to Australia. The special nature of trade arrangements with Australia does not, of course, apply to other countries. This concession was touched as to a minor extent in the initial examination in the GATT. (Applies also to 07.04, 07.05 and 08.08.)	
ex 07.03	Herbs, including mixtures in retail packs (ex 07.03.003)	D	
	Other vegetables provisionally preserved in L brine ... except for capers and olives (07.03 excl. ex 07.03.009)	L	See item 07.02
ex 07.04	Dried, dehydrated or evaporated vegetables ... excluding herbs (07.04.002 - 009)	L	
	Herbs, including mixtures, in retail packs (ex 07.04.001)	D	No licence is required for herbs including mixtures other than in retail packs and other vegetables except for tomatoes (07.04 ex 001 and 009) imported from and being the produce of Australia

BTN	Commodity description	Type restriction	Comments
ex 07.05	Peas and beans for sowing packed for retail sale (07.05.011, 031)	C	See item 07.02
	Peas, split and lentils, packed for retail sale; other peas, other beans (other than dried haricot beans) (07.05.001, 002, 029, ex 049, 051)	L	No licence is required for peas and beans other than for sowing, (07.05.029 and 049) imported from and being the produce of Australia.
07.06	Manioc, arrowroot, salep ...	L	
ex 08.01	Brazil nuts and cashew nuts in retail packages (ex 08.01.203, 209)	C	

BTN	Commodity description	Type of restriction	Comments
ex 08.01 (cont'd)	Fresh bananas, plantains and pineapples (08.01.100, 301)	ST	<p>Fruit Distributors Ltd., established in 1951, is an example of co-operative marketing arrangements applying to many types of agricultural produce in New Zealand. Besides being responsible for imports of bananas and citrus fruit the company acts as agent for the New Zealand Citrus Marketing Authority in respect of the distribution and sale of New Zealand grown citrus fruit. Under an agreement with the Government the Company is free to obtain supplies of fruit from the most favourable sources, in the same way as any other commercial enterprise. There are no quantitative restrictions on imports of fresh whole bananas, grapes, citrus fruit and pineapples. It is considered that its operations are fully compatible with Article XVII of the GATT. (Applies also to 08.02. and 08.04.).</p>

BTN	Commodity description	Type of restriction	Comments
ex 08.02	Citrus fruit, fresh or dried, - except for citrus fruit, whole, fresh (08.02, excl. 08.02.101, 109, 201-209)	ST C	See item 08.01. Reference: COM.AG/W/18/Add.5 pages 4-5
ex 08.04	Grapes, fresh (08.04.101,109)	ST	See item 08.01
ex 08.05	Edible nuts fresh or dried in retail packages, (08.05 ex 001, ex 002, 003, ex 019)	C	
08.07	Stone fruit, fresh	C	
08.08	Raspberries, (08.08 ex 002 and 101)	D	
	Other berries (08.08 excl. 08.08 ex 002 )	C	See item 07.02
ex 08.09	Medlars, passion fruit, whole (08.09.011)	C	No licence is required for strawberries, whole (08.08.011) imported from and being the produce of Australia
	Passion fruit, other than whole (ex 08.09.011, 019)	C + basic licences	
	Other fresh fruit, other than whole (ex 08.09.011, 019)	C	

BN	Commodity description	Type of restriction	Comments
08.10	Raspberries, raw (08.10.001)	D	
	Passion fruit ... preserved by freezing (ex 08.10.002-019)	C + basic licences	
	Other fruit ... preserved by freezing (08.10. ex 002-019)	L	
08.11	Passion fruit provisionally preserved ... (ex 08.11.001-009)	C + basic licences	
	Other fruit provisionally preserved (ex 08.11.001.009)	L	
ex 08.12	Apples, dried (08.12.003)	C	
08.13	Peel of melon and citrus fruit ...	L	
09.01	Raw coffee (09.01.101)		New Zealand is a signatory to the International Coffee Agreement and a Coffee Certificate issued by the country of export is required to be lodged before imports of coffee are allowed into New Zealand
	Roasted coffee, coffee substitutes containing coffee (09.01.109, 900)	D	
ex 09.02	Tea in packages of less than 5 lb net weight (09.02.009)	D	
ex 09.04	Pepper of the genus "Piper"; pimento of the genus "Capsicum" or the genus "Pimenta"; Unground in retail packages and ground (09.04. ex 001, 002, 009, ex 011, 019)	D	ex

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ex 09.05	Vanilla in retail packages (ex 09.05.001)	D	
ex 09.06	Cinnamon tree flowers, unground in retail packages and ground (09.06 ex 001, 002, 009)	D	
ex 09.07	Cloves, unground in retail packages and ground (09.07. ex 001, 002, 009)	D	
ex 09.08	Nutmeg, mace and cardamons unground in retail packages and ground (09.08, ex 001, ex 009, 011 and 019)	D	
ex 09.09	Seeds of anise, badian, fennel, coriander, cumin, caraway and juniper unground in retail packages and ground (09.09, ex 001, ex 002, 003, 009)	D	
ex 09.10	Saffron, ginger and other spices unground in retail packages and ground except for curry powder and paste and turmeric, unground (09.10 ex 004, ex 006, ex 008, ex 018, 022, 028, 032, 038, 042, 048)	D	
	Curry powder and paste (09.10.005)	L	
10.01	Wheat and meslin	C; ST: wheat	New Zealand is self-sufficient in the production of wheat in a normal season. The Wheat Board, established under the Wheat Board Act, 1965, is composed of representatives of wheat growers, flour

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10.01 (cont'd)			millers, and the Department of Industries and Commerce, is responsible for all imports of wheat and wheat flour. The existence of the Board, in itself, has a neutral effect. When imports of wheat are required it provides supplies in accordance with normal commercial considerations. (Applies also to 11.01)
		Reference: COM.AG/W/18/Add.2 and Add.9	
10.02	Rye	C	
10.03	Barley	C	
10.04	Oats	C	
10.05	Maize	C	
ex 10.06	Rice in retail packages (10.06 ex 100 to ex 209)	C	
ex 10.07	Canary seed, grain sorghum and millet unmilled in other than retail packs (10.07 ex 001)	L	
	Other cereals (10.07 excl. ex 001)	C	
11.01	Cereal flours	L, ST: wheat flour	See item 10.01
11.02	Cereal groats and cereal meal ...	L	

BTN	Commodity description	Type of restriction	Comments
11.03	Flours of the leguminous vegetables falling within heading 07.05	C	
ex 11.04	Flours of the fruit falling within any heading in Chapter 8 except flour of nuts (11.04.009)	C	
11.05	Flour, meal and flakes of potato	C	
11.06	Flour and meal of sago and of manioc, arrowroot, ...	L	
11.07	Malt, roasted or not	L	
ex 11.08	Starches; inulin, except inulin packed other than for retail sale (11.08 excl. ex 11.08.029)	L	
11.09	Wheat gluten whether or not dried	L	
ex 12.01	Linseed (12.01.500)	D	
	Groundnuts in retail packages (ex 12.01.101, 109)	C	
	Copra, palm nuts and kernels, soya beans (12.01.200-400)	L	
12.02	Flours or meals of oilseeds or oleaginous fruit, non-defatted (excluding mustard flour)	L	

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ex 12.03	Flower seeds in retail packs, vegetable seeds in retail packs, clover (other than subterranean, alsike and lotus major), grass (other than paspalum), other fodder seeds (other than fodder beet and mangold) (ex 12.03.002, 011, 021, 031, 051)	L	
ex 13.03	Liquorice extract containing more than 10 per cent by weight of sugars (other than sucrose) (13.03.002)	L	
	Some vegetable saps and extracts, non-spirituous, and spirituous. Extracts of hops, agar-agar (13.03 ex 021, 023, ex 025, ex 029, 041)	C	
15.02	Solvent-extracted fats of bovine cattle, sheep or goats (15.02.001-009)	D	
	Fats of bovine cattle ..., whether or not rendered (other than solvent extracted) (15.02.019)	L	
15.03	Lard stearin, oleostearin ...	D	
ex 15.04	Fats and oils of fish and marine mammals ... excluding cod liver oil in containers of a capacity in excess of 1 gallon and whale oil whether or not refined (15.04 excl. 15.04 ex 001, 003)	L	
15.05	Wool grease and fatty substances derived therefrom ...	D	

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ex 15.07	Vegetable oils in containers of a capacity of less than 1 gallon (other than rape, colza, mustard and caster oils); coconut and linseed oil in containers over or under 1 gallon capacity (15.07.009, 019, 029, 039, 049, 061, 069, 079-089, 099, 119, 122)	D	
ex 15.08	Boiled linseed oil in containers of any capacity (15.08.002, 011)	D	
ex 15.10	Fatty acids other than tall oil (15.10, 101, 109)	L	
15.11	Glycerin (15.11.001) Other glycerol and glycerol lyes (15.11.009)	D L	
ex 15.12	Vegetable oils and fats, wholly or partly hydrogenated ... as may be approved, in containers of any capacity or when imported in containers of capacity of 1 gallon or more (15.12.002, ex 009) ... ... when imported in containers of less than 1 gallon (15.12 ex 009)	L D	
15.13	Margarine, imitation lard and other prepared edible fats	D	
ex 15.15	Beeswax (whether or not coloured) (15.15.001)	D	
ex 15.17	Soapstocks (15.17.001)	D	
16.01	Sausages and the like ...	L	

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ex 16.02	Other prepared or preserved meat or meat offal except for pâtés de foie gras (16.02 excl. 16.02.001)	L	
ex 16.03	Meat extracts and meat juices (16.03.009)	L	
ex 16.04	Pastes of prepared or preserved fish, fish preserved in airtight containers: herrings, pilchards and others (excl. salmon, sardines, sild, and brisling) (16.04.001, 011, 012, 019)	L	
ex 16.05	Pastes of prepared or preserved crustaceans or molluscs (16.05.001)	L	
ex 17.01	Sugars other than raw sugars of a polarization of less than 99 (17.01.200)	L	
17.02	Other sugars, sugar syrups and artificial honey (17.02.011 to 021)	L	
	Glucose, liquid and dry, caramel (17.02.001, 009, 029)	C	
ex 17.03	Purified sugar syrups (treacle) (17.03.001)	L	
17.04	Sugar confectionery not containing cocoa	L	
17.05	Flavoured or coloured sugars ...	L	
ex 18.01	Roasted cocoa beans ... (18.01.009)	L	
18.03	Cocoa paste ...	L	
18.05	Cocoa powder (unsweetened)	L	

BTN	Commodity description	Type of restriction	Comments
18.06	Chocolate and other food preparations containing cocoa	L	
19.01	Malt extract	L	
ex 19.02	Preparations of flour, meal, starch or malt extract ... excluding those approved for admission in terms of Part II, reference 22.0 of the Customs Tariff (ex 19.02.000)	L	
19.03	Macaroni, spaghetti or similar products	L	
ex 19.04	Tapioca and sago, tapioca and sago substitutes ... in retail packs (ex 19.04.000)	L	
19.05	Prepared foods obtained by the swelling or roasting of cereals ...	L	
ex 19.07	Bread, ships' biscuits and other ordinary bakers', wares ... excluding Passover bread (19.07 excl. 19.07.001)	L	
19.08	Pastry, biscuits, cakes and other fine bakers' wares ...	L	
ex 20.01	Vegetables and fruit, prepared or preserved by vinegar or acetic acid ... excluding capers and olives (ex 20.01.000)	C	

BTN	Commodity description	Type of restriction	Comments
ex 20.02	Vegetables prepared or preserved otherwise than by vinegar or acetic acid ... excluding capers and olives (20.02, excl. 20.02.001)	C	
20.03	Passion fruit preserved by freezing ... (ex 20.03.00)	C + basic licences	
	Other fruit preserved by freezing, containing added sugar (ex 20.03.00)	L	
20.04	Fruit, fruit-pool and parts of plants preserved by sugar ...	L	
20.05	Jams, fruit jellies, marmalades ...	L	
20.06	Fruit otherwise prepared or preserved: Almonds, groundnuts and other nuts, roasted (20.06.002)	C	
	Passion fruit pulp (ex 20.06.099)	C + basic licences	
	Apricots, fruit salad, peaches, pears, raspberries, strawberries and other berry fruit (20.06.009, 022, 041, 042, 091, ex 099)	D	
	Others (20.06.001, 003, 021, 023, 029, 043, 049, 092, ex 099)	L	
ex 20.07	Passion fruit juice (ex 20.07.009, 101, 109, 209, 301, 309)	C + basic licences	
	Tomato (having a dry weight content of less than 7 per cent), apple (including mixtures), lemon,	D	

BTN	Commodity description	Type of restriction	Comments
ex 20.07 (cont'd)	grapefruit and raspberry juices (20.07; ex 001; ex 009 to ex 102; ex 10); ex 201, ex 209 to ex 302, ex 309, 401, 409, 501, 509)	L	
	Other juices excluding lime juice not containing added sugar in bulk containers (20.07 ex 001; 002; ex 009; ex 102; 103; ex 109; ex 201, 202, ex 209-ex 302, 303, ex 309, ex 599)		
21.01	Roasted chicory and other roasted coffee substitutes ...	L	
ex 21.02	Extracts, essences and concentrates of coffee (21.02.100)	D	
ex 21.03	Mustard flour and prepared mustard, excl. mustard flour packed otherwise than for retail sale and prepared mustard containing turmeric, dry, in other than retail packages (21.03.001, 003, ex 004, 009)	L	
21.04	Sauces, mixed condiments and mixed seasonings	L	
ex 21.05	Soups and broths ... except for special food preparations for dietetic purposes, approved for admission in terms of Part II, Reference 22.0 of the Customs Tariff (21.07.001, 002, ex 009)	L	
21.06	Natural yeasts ... prepared baking powder	L	
21.07	Saccharin and other synthetic sweetening substances in tablet or other dispensable forms (21.07.022)	C	

BTN	Commodity description	Type of restriction	Comments
21.07 (cont'd)	Other preparations, except for special food preparations for dietetic purposes approved for admission in terms of Part II, Reference 22.0 of the Customs Tariff and suet preparations containing more than 50 per cent by weight of suet (21.07. 001, 009, ex 011, 019, 021, 023, 024, 026, ex 029)	L	
22.01	Waters ..., ice and snow	D	
22.02	Lemonades, flavoured spa waters and aerated waters	D	
22.03	Beer made from malt	D	
22.04	Grape must ...	D	
22.05	Wine of fresh grapes, grape must with fermentation arrested by the addition of alcohol	L	
22.06	Vermouths and other wines of fresh grapes flavoured with aromatic extracts	L	
22.07	Other fermented beverages ...	D	
ex 22.08	Rectified spirits of wine for fortifying New Zealand wines under such conditions as the Minister may prescribe (22.08.002)	D	
ex 22.09	Gin, geneva, schnapps, vodka (22.09.053, ex 059, 063, ex 069)	D	
	Other products except for spirits and spirituous mixtures (other than gin, geneva, schnapps, vodka and liqueurs) in bulk, and rum, brandy or whisky, having an f.o.b. price of not less than \$8.25 per liquid gallon (22.09 excl. ex 002-ex 11, ex 023, ex 029,	L	

BTN	German duty description	Type of restriction	Comments
ex 22.09 (cont'd)	ex 033, ex 039, ex 043, ex 049, 051, 052, 053, 054, ex 059, 061, 062, 063, 064, ex 069)		
23.01	Flears and reicals of meat, officials ...	L	
ex 23.02	Bran, p llard, sharps (ex 23.02.001)	D	
	Other residues and waste from the food industries except for rice meal refuse (23.02.009)	L	
23.03	Beet-pulp, bagasse and other waste ...	L	
23.04	Cotton seed meal, copro, coke and other cilkakes (23.04.001, ex 009)	D	
	Other residues and waste (23.04 ex 009)	L	
23.05	Wine lees, argal	L	
23.06	Products of vegetable origin of a kind used for animal feed ...	D	
ex 23.07	Dog biscuits and similar biscuits (23.07.002)	D	
	Other products of a kind used in animal feeding, except for dehydrated or powdered molasses containing not more than 10 per cent of other additives (23.07 excl. 23.07.002 and ex 009)	L	

BTN	Commodity description	Type of restriction	Comments
24.01	Tobacco unmanufactured	Mixing regulations <sup>1</sup>	<p>A minimum percentage usage of domestic tobacco leaf was first introduced in 1940-41 and given a statutory basis in the Tobacco Growing Industry Regulations, 1945. However the necessity to promote the efficiency and development of this industry was recognized earlier, in the Tobacco Growing Industry Act, 1935. The initial prescribed minimum requirement was 20 per cent. This rose by 1948 to 30 per cent, at which point it has remained. By reason of Article III:6 of the GATT therefore the measure is not considered to be in conflict with paragraph 5 and so conforms with GATT rules.</p>

Unmanufactured tobacco is free of import licensing; and the tariff has been bound to the United States. To this extent the mixing requirement, which was in existence before the tariff binding was negotiated, has been sanctioned by the notifying country. Cigarette

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<sup>1</sup>Reference: Protocol of provisional application.

BTN	Country description	Type of restriction	Comments
24.01 (cont'd)		Manufacturers in New Zealand normally purchase a greater proportion of their leaf requirements from domestic growers than the regulation demands. In recent years the percentage has been about 40 per cent.	United States: Tobacco products manufactured in New Zealand must have a minimum domestic leaf content of 32 per cent
ox 24.02	Manufactured tobacco excl. pulverized waste tobacco; in liquid form, binders and wrappers for use in the manufacture of cigars and cheroots (24.02 excl. ox 24.02.302)	D	