

**Miscellaneous Controls**

Cap. 329.

MISCELLANEOUS CONTROLS (CONTROL OF PRICES)  
(GENERAL) REGULATIONS, 1983

1983/29.

**Authority:** These Regulations were made on 28th February, 1983 by the Minister under section 3 of the *Miscellaneous Controls Act*.

**Commencement:** 7th March, 1983.

**1.** These Regulations may be cited as the *Miscellaneous Controls (Control of Prices) (General) Regulations, 1983*.

**2.** For the purposes of these Regulations,

“retailer” means any person carrying on retail business in any scheduled article;

“scheduled article” means any article specified in the first column of the *Schedule*;

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“sell” includes offers for sale;

“wholesaler” means any person carrying on a wholesale business in any scheduled article.

**3.** Any person who

(a) sells or otherwise disposes of; or

(b) purchases or otherwise obtains,

any scheduled article at a wholesale or retail price greater than that specified opposite that article in the *Schedule* is guilty of an offence and is liable on summary conviction to a fine of \$5 000 or to imprisonment for a term of 12 months or to both.

**4.** (1) The price of a scheduled article displayed for the purpose of sale shall be clearly marked or otherwise indicated in plain figures on that article by the retailer.

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(2) Where a scheduled article displayed for the purpose of sale has been weighed or measured by a retailer, the quantity of that article and the price thereof calculated in accordance with the retail price specified in the *Schedule* shall be clearly marked or otherwise indicated in plain figures on that article.

(3) A retailer who, without reasonable excuse, contravenes this regulation is guilty of an offence and is liable on summary conviction to a fine of \$2 500 or to imprisonment for a term of 6 months or to both.

5. (1) A wholesaler or retailer who

- (a) fails, as soon as possible after the publication in the *Official Gazette* of any regulations made under section 3 of the Act relating to the control of the price of any scheduled article, to affix a copy thereof in such a position on any premises where he carries on a wholesale or retail business that those regulations may be easily read by any customer on those premises;
- (b) refuses, without reasonable excuse, to sell any scheduled article to any person for cash;
- (c) after being requested by a purchaser of a scheduled article, whether for cash or on credit, refuses to issue or cause to be issued to such purchaser a bill in respect of that article setting out
  - (i) the name and address of the seller,
  - (ii) an accurate description of that article, and
  - (iii) the quantity and price thereof;
- (d) in connection with the sale or proposed sale of any scheduled article, imposes on a purchaser or proposed purchaser thereof any condition relating to the purchase of any other article (including any article of the same description as the scheduled article sold or proposed to be sold),

is guilty of an offence and is liable on summary conviction to a fine of \$2 500 or to imprisonment for a term of 6 months or to both.

(2) For the purpose of any legal proceedings under sub-paragraph (b) or (c) of paragraph (1), a refusal by any employee or agent of a wholesaler or retailer acting in the course of his employment or engagement as such shall be deemed to have been a refusal by that wholesaler or retailer.

(3) For the purpose of any legal proceedings under sub-paragraph (d) of paragraph (1), any condition specified in that sub-paragraph imposed by an employee or agent of a wholesaler or retailer acting in the course of his employment or engagement as such shall be deemed to have been imposed by that wholesaler or retailer.

**6.** (1) Any person who, pursuant to section 11(1) of the Act, enters any premises in the possession or occupation or under the control of any other person engaged in the business of selling any scheduled article may

- (a) demand access to and inspect all books, documents and vouchers and put any questions relating to such business; and
- (b) seize and take away any article that he has reasonable grounds for believing is evidence respecting a contravention of any provision of these Regulations;

and that person shall, if so required, give a receipt in writing in respect of the article.

(2) Any person who

- (a) fails to produce for inspection any books, documents or vouchers access to which is demanded under sub-paragraph (a) of paragraph (1); or
- (b) refuses to answer any question put under that sub-paragraph,

is guilty of an offence and is liable on summary conviction to a fine of \$2 500 or to imprisonment for a term of 6 months or to both.

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<sup>1</sup> The text of the Schedule and amendments thereto will be found in the respective annual volumes of subsidiary legislation.