

CHAPTER 320.

TEXTILES QUOTA.

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10/1934
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23/1961

1. This Ordinance may be cited as the Textiles Quota Ordinance. Short title.

2. (1) In this Ordinance—

Interpretation.

“foreign country” means any country or territory not being a part of the British Commonwealth;

Ord. 23/1961.

“quota” means the quantity of textiles which may be imported during any period in accordance with a proclamation made by the Administrator in Council under section 3;

“quota period” means any period in respect of which any quota has been fixed by the Administrator in Council;

“regulated textiles” means any textiles in respect of which any quota has been fixed by the Administrator in Council: Provided that for the purposes of this Ordinance any textile goods of a class in respect of which a quota has been fixed shall be deemed to be manufactured in a foreign country unless accompanied by a certificate of Commonwealth origin in the manner and form prescribed;

Ord. 11/1937.

“textiles” means any textile goods, and any class of textile goods manufactured in a foreign country.

(2) This Ordinance shall be construed as one with the Tariff Collection Ordinance, and the Customs Duties Ordinance, and all rights, duties, powers and privileges conferred thereunder upon any Government or Customs Officer in relation to the importation, examination, powers or privileges and provisions whatsoever contained therein shall apply *mutatis mutandis* to importation, examination, entry and forfeiture of regulated textiles.

Cap. 239.
Cap. 122.

Power to fix quotas.

3. (1) The Administrator in Council may fix by proclamation the total quantity of textiles manufactured in any foreign country which may be imported during any quota period.

(2) The period specified in any proclamation made hereunder may commence prior to the commencement of this Ordinance; and any imports of regulated textiles between the commencement of the proclaimed period and the Ordinance respectively may be taken into account for the purposes of section 5: Provided that no importation made prior to the commencement of this Ordinance shall constitute an offence under section 8.

Returns and declarations of origin.

4. No person shall import any regulated textiles unless he shall at the time of importation submit to the Treasurer in the prescribed form a return of the quantity, class and origin of the goods imported and a declaration of origin: Provided that the Administrator in Council may direct that in addition such person shall also provide a visa from the British Consular Officer or Chamber of Commerce in such country of origin:

Provided further that, during a period of three months from the commencement of this Ordinance the Treasurer may, subject to such conditions as he may impose to satisfy himself as to evidence of origin, dispense with such declaration of origin.

Records of imports to be published.

5. (1) The imports of any regulated textiles shall be separately recorded by the Treasurer.

(2) Any person may at any time, on payment of the prescribed fee, require the Treasurer to furnish a statement of the total quantity already imported of any regulated textiles manufactured in any individual foreign country during any quota period.

(3) The Administrator shall issue a notice in the *Gazette* when the quota of regulated textiles for any quota period has been completed in respect of any foreign country.

Prohibition of imports in excess of quota.

6. Upon the issue of a notice under subsection (3) of section 5 further imports of the regulated textiles concerned manufactured in the country specified therein shall be prohibited until the end of the quota period: Provided that notwithstanding anything in this Ordinance contained the Administrator in Council may, if he thinks fit, in any proclamation issued under this Ordinance, direct that textiles in excess of

the several quotas therein fixed, may be imported upon payment of such additional surcharge upon the duties prescribed by the Customs Duties Ordinance, or any other Ordinance as may be specified in such proclamation. Cap. 122.

7. Any regulated textiles imported contrary to the provisions of this Ordinance shall be forfeited to Her Majesty : Forfeiture.

Provided it shall be lawful for the Treasurer in his absolute discretion to permit the importer to export the same from the Colony within a period prescribed by the Treasurer.

8. Any person who acts in contravention of or fails to comply with any of the provisions of this Ordinance or any regulations made thereunder shall be liable to a fine not exceeding four hundred and eighty dollars for each and every such act done and committed. Penalties.

9. The Administrator in Council may make regulations and prescribe fees and charges to be made for giving effect to the provisions of this Ordinance. Power to make regulations and prescribe fees and charges.