

## MEMORANDUM

DEPARTMENT OF NATIONAL REVENUE, CANADA  
(CUSTOMS DIVISION)

OTTAWA, 27th October, 1938.

To Collectors of Customs and Excise, and others concerned:

### MARKING OF IMPORTED GOODS

Referring to Supplements Nos. 9 and 10 to Memorandum Series D No. 1, the following regulations have been established with respect to the marking of the items named:—

2. Writing, Marking or Drawing Pencils of all kinds, Penholders of wood, and Fountain Pens.

#### REGULATIONS

- (a) Blind embossed or die-stamped indications of the country of origin on wooden or fibre lead pencils and penholders will only be accepted (1) on plain unpainted pencils and penholders without any other lettering thereon, when legible, (2) on plain painted pencils and penholders without lettering thereon, when the combination of colours used in the die-stamping and on the pencil or penholder does not result in an indistinct or illegible indication, and (3) on pencils and penholders with lettering or other printed matter thereon, when the indication appears on the pencil or penholder in the same coloured lettering as the other printed matter. The indication on pencils must not be within one inch of an end which is or may be pointed. (Superseding paragraphs 2 (a) and (b) page 5, Memorandum Series D No. 1).
- (b) Crayons or chalk, covered with wood, paper or other covering as a holder or for protection, are each required to be marked. Uncovered crayons or chalk may be marked on the first or immediate container.
- (c) Fountain pens, and pencils other than wooden or fibre lead pencils, may be marked with blind embossed or die-stamped indications of the country of origin in accordance with the general regulations, provided such marking otherwise complies with the requirements, particularly as to legibility, location, permanence and wording.

4. Rubber Gloves and Work Gloves of woven fabric.

#### REGULATION

- (a) Each glove must be marked. A woven or printed label attached to work gloves of woven fabric will be accepted as satisfactory, provided same otherwise complies with requirements, particularly as to legibility and location. Labels attached to the inside of work gloves or woven fabric will not be accepted as marked in a "conspicuous place" if they are located more than one inch from the edge of the wrist-band.

18. Bicycle Saddles, Air Pumps, Bells, Pedals and Lamps.

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## REGULATION

(a) The indication of the country of origin must be permanently marked on each article, either by die-stamping or blind embossing.

19. Toilet or Dressing Combs and Fancy Combs (not being jewellery) of all kinds, other than those made wholly of animal ivory, or of bone or of metal.

## REGULATION

(a) Combs included in travelling or other fitted cases must be marked.

20. Ladies' Purses, in the form of Handbags, not including bags made of beads, metal mesh or of a similar nature.

## REGULATIONS

(a) Ladies' purses, in the form of handbags, are required to be marked by means of die-stamping, either on the leather or on the metal frame, provided that the combination of colours used in the die-stamping and on the bag does not result in an indistinct or illegible indication, or by means of a woven or printed label sewn or otherwise strongly attached to the inside of the bag in a conspicuous position.

(b) Bags made of beads (including wooden beads), metal mesh or of a similar nature do not require to be marked. This exemption only applies, however, to bags made entirely of these materials. Bags having beads, sequins, etc., sewn on a fabric backing, or lined, must be marked as provided by paragraph (a).

21. Artists' Brushes.

## REGULATION

(a) Brushes must each be permanently marked by means of die-stamping or blind embossing.

22. Sewing, Crochet, Knitting, Darning and Embroidery Threads, spooled or packaged.

## REGULATION

(a) The indication of the country of origin must be applied to the card, bobbin, reel or similar centre, or in the case of rolls, hanks or skeins by means of a label securely attached thereto and in compliance with the general marking requirements, particularly as to legibility and position.

23. Dolls and Toys of all kinds, and Games such as are commonly used in private households.

## REGULATIONS

(a) With respect to toys and games banded, boxed, wrapped or otherwise packaged in an immediate container, which are to be sold to the *ultimate consumer* in the same packages as imported, the department will accept an indication of the country of origin on the band, wrapper.

package or other immediate container, provided such indication otherwise complies with the requirements as to legibility, position and permanence.

- (b) Toys and games so small in size as to be incapable of being marked on the articles themselves, or except at an expense out of reasonable proportion to the value of the article, may be marked on the first or immediate covering or container.
- (c) Dolls must each be marked, and in respect of stuffed articles may be stamped in a conspicuous position or may have a woven or printed tag securely affixed thereto, provided same otherwise complies with the requirements as to legibility and location.

24. Incandescent Gas Mantels for use on Gasoline or Kerosene Pressure Lamps and Lanterns.

REGULATION

- (a) Mantels must be marked on the articles themselves, and an indication on the paper envelopes in which these goods are usually contained will not be acceptable.

25. Boot, Shoe and Stay laces of any material and Woven or Braided Fabrics not exceeding 12 inches in width.

REGULATIONS

- (a) With respect to Boot, Shoe and Stay laces of any material, banded, boxed, wrapped or otherwise packaged in an immediate container, which are to be sold to the *ultimate consumer* in the same packages as imported, the department will accept an indication of the country of origin on the band, wrapper, package or other immediate container, provided such indication otherwise complies with the requirements as to legibility, position and permanence.
- (b) With respect to Woven or Braided Fabrics not exceeding 12 inches in width, the indication of the country of origin must be applied to the card, bobbin, reel or similar centre, or in the case of rolls, hanks or skeins by means of a label securely attached thereto and in compliance with the general marking requirements, particularly as to legibility and position.

26. Slide, Hookless or Zipper Fasteners.

REGULATION

- (a) The indication of the country of origin must be shown on the metal pull or slide and in a legible and conspicuous manner. Marking on the fabric portion of the fastener will not be acceptable.

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