

UNDER LICENSE SYSTEM.

GUIDE TO THE LICENSING OF DEALERS IN FOODSTUFFS.

The license system of the Canada Food Board is being rapidly extended to all dealers in foodstuffs. It will be illegal to transact business in any of the following trades after the dates given below, except under license from the Food Board:—

Produce Wholesalers.. . . .	} Licenses become operative.	March 15, 1918
Produce Commission Merchants.. . . .		
Produce Brokers.. . . .		
Wholesale Grocer.. . . .	}	April 1, 1918
Wholesale Grocery Jobber.. . . .		
Wholesale Grocery Commission Agent.. . . .		
Wholesale Grocery Broker.. . . .		
Retail Grocer.. . . .	}	March 1, 1918
Retail Butcher, Retail Baker, Retail Produce Dealer, Retail Flour and Feed Dealer, Retail Fruit and Vegetable Dealer, Retail Fish Dealer.. . . .		
		May 15, 1918

Every effort is being made to furnish all wholesale and retail dealers in food and food products, with forms of application by mail, but any failure to receive such notice will not be deemed a good and sufficient reason for neglect to obtain the necessary license by the dates given above.

The following licenses **became operative** on the dates given:—

Wholesale Fish Dealers License.. . . .	January 1, 1918
Wholesale Fruit and Vegetable Dealers License.. . . .	February 1, 1918
License to sell cereal products.. . . .	January 1, 1918
License to operate a mill for grinding wheat and other grains.. . . .	December 1, 1918
Baker's license.. . . .	March 1, 1918

Orders have been passed by the Canada Food Board bringing under the license system, and prescribing regulations to govern wholesale grocers, the wholesale produce trade, retail grocers, and other retail dealers in food.

These orders provide that no licensee shall deal in any food or food product for the purpose of unreasonably increasing the price, restricting supply, monopolizing or attempting to monopolize any such products. The following clause to reduce waste is common to all the orders: "The licensee shall not destroy any food or food products which are fit for human animal or poultry consumption, and shall not knowingly permit waste or wilfully permit preventable deterioration in connection with the storing or sale of any food or food product."

Wholesale Grocers under License.

On and after April 1 no person, firm or corporation shall deal wholesale in groceries without first obtaining a license. The trade

will be divided under the following classifications: Wholesale Grocers, Wholesale Grocery Jobbers, Wholesale Grocery Commission Agents and Wholesale Grocery Brokers.

Persons or firms dealing wholesale exclusively in bakery products, or flour mill, grist mill or cereal mill products, or fresh fruit or vegetables, or fish (fresh or canned), or dressed fresh meats, or lard or butter, or oleomargarine, or cheese, or eggs, or poultry, or manufacturers of food or food products are not included under the order.

The license fees for wholesale grocers and wholesale grocery jobbers will be \$20 on an annual turnover of \$100,000 or less, with \$10 additional for every additional \$50,000 or fraction of turnover. The license fees in the remaining two classes will be \$25 per annum.

Wholesale Produce Trade.

The wholesale produce trade of Canada will be under license by March 15.