

TITLE 19—CUSTOMS DUTIES

Chapter I—Bureau of Customs, Department of the Treasury

[T. D. 52299]

PART 10—ARTICLES CONDITIONALLY FREE, SUBJECT TO A REDUCED RATE, ETC.

BAGGAGE

Section 10.21 (b), Customs Regulations of 1943 (19 CFR, Cum. Supp. 10.21 (b)), as amended by T. D. 51975 (13 F. R. 4217), is hereby further amended as follows:

1. Delete the period at the end of the first sentence and add thereto the following: "and paintings and other articles classifiable under paragraph 1807, Tariff Act of 1930, and works of art which are the production of American artists temporarily residing abroad, provided for in paragraph 1810, Tariff Act of 1930, when accompanying the person who produced them, upon compliance with § 10.48 or § 10.50, as the case may be."

2. Add as the last sentence thereof the following: "No certified invoice shall be required for articles passed under this paragraph."

(Secs. 484, 498, 624, 46 Stat. 722, as amended, 728, 759; 19 U. S. C. 1484, 1498, 1624)

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FRANK DOW,
Commissioner of Customs.

Approved: August 17, 1949.

JOHN S. GRAHAM,
Acting Secretary of the Treasury.

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TITLE 20—EMPLOYEES' BENEFITS

Chapter II—Railroad Retirement Board

PART 325—REGISTRATION AND CLAIMS FOR BENEFITS

DAY OF REGISTRATION

Pursuant to the general authority contained in section 12 of the act of June 25, 1938 (52 Stat. 1107; 45 U. S. C. 362 (1)), § 325.12 (c) (3) of the regulations of the Railroad Retirement Board under such act (9 F. R. 3192; 11 F. R. 6584) is amended by Board Order 49-292, dated August 10, 1949, effective immediately, to read as follows:

§ 325.12 *Registration.* * * *
(c) *Day of registration.* * * *

(3) If an employee does not register with respect to any day within the time hereinabove specified, because of his being in transit to or from a job, or his being held over or lying over after completing a job in anticipation of a possible call for other work, or his being employed, or his being sick, or his complying with instructions from the Board to apply for work, or because of any other circumstance or condition directly affecting him and not attributable to any lack of diligence on his part, he may register with respect to such day on any day within six months of such day and not later than the tenth business day

after such circumstance or condition is removed, and shall submit to an unemployment claims agent, to a duly authorized field representative of the Board, or to an office of the Board, a written statement explaining why he did not register with respect to such day within the time specified.

(Sec. 12, 52 Stat. 1107; 45 U. S. C. 362 (1))

Dated: August 17, 1949.

By authority of the Board.

MARY B. LINKINS,
Secretary of the Board.

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Chapter III—Bureau of Old Age and Survivors Insurance, Social Security Administration, Federal Security Agency

[Regs. 3, further amended]

PART 403—FEDERAL OLD-AGE AND SURVIVORS INSURANCE

DEFINITION OF EMPLOYEE—PRIMARY INSURANCE BENEFIT AND WAGE RECORDS

Regulations No. 3, as amended (20 CFR, 1947 Sup., 403.1 et seq.) are further amended as follows:

1. Section 403.301 is amended to read as follows:

§ 403.301 *Primary insurance benefit—*
(a) *Definition.* (1) The primary insurance benefit is the monthly amount payable to an individual (subject to deductions and adjustments under Subparts E and F) who has fulfilled all the conditions of entitlement to primary insurance benefits under section 202 (a) of the act (see § 403.402). It also constitutes a measure of the amount of all other benefits under section 202 of the act, and the maximum lump sum payable under section 202 (g) of the act is 6 times the primary insurance benefit. The primary insurance benefit of a wage earner who is a fully insured or currently insured individual must, therefore, always be computed for the purpose of measuring the amount of such other benefits and of the lump sum, even though the wage earner dies without having become entitled to receive any payment under section 202 (a) of the act.

(2) The primary insurance benefit as computed under section 209 (e) of the act cannot be increased or decreased because of wages paid after the death of the wage earner. Wages paid after the wage earner has become entitled to receive primary insurance benefits under section 202 (a) of the act may be included to increase the primary insurance benefit if an application for recomputation is filed.

(3) In the computation or recomputation of benefits there will not be included any sums paid as wages for services performed prior to January 1, 1946, in the employ of an international organization (see § 403.826a).

(4) In the computation or recomputation of benefits there shall be included such wage credits as are established and preserved under section 2 (b) of Public

Law 642 (see § 403.703 (h)) or have become conclusive by operation of section 205 (c) (2) of the act as amended (see § 403.703 (f)). Where services formerly considered to be in covered employment are no longer considered to be in covered employment, wage credits for such services, which have not been established and preserved under section 2 (b) of Public Law 642 (see § 403.703 (h)) and have not become conclusive by operation of section 205 (c) (2) of the act as amended (see § 403.703 (f)), shall not be included in the recomputation of benefits, even though work deductions may have been made for such services.

(b) *Method of determining primary insurance benefit.* The amount of an individual's primary insurance benefit is computed on the basis of his average monthly wage (see § 403.302). The primary insurance benefit is computed as follows:

(1) If the individual's average monthly wage does not exceed \$50, take 40 per centum of such average monthly wage. If the average monthly wage exceeds \$50, take 40 per centum of \$50 and add thereto 10 per centum of the amount by which the average monthly wage exceeds \$50 and does not exceed \$250.

(2) Determine the number of calendar years in which \$200 or more of wages were paid to the individual and multiply 1 per centum of the amount computed under paragraph (1) by the number of such years.

(3) Add the figure computed under subparagraph (1) of this paragraph and the figure computed under subparagraph (2) of this paragraph. The sum so obtained is the primary insurance benefit. If such sum is less than \$10, it is increased to \$10.

Example: During the years 1937, 1938, and 1939 A was paid wages of \$15 in each month. Thereafter he is paid wages of \$100 in each month. He dies fully insured on January 1, 1950, at the age of 43.

A's average monthly wage determined pursuant to § 403.302 is \$80.38. Forty per centum of \$50 is \$20, and 10 per centum of the amount by which the average monthly wage exceeds \$50 is \$3.04, making a total of \$23.04. The number of years in which \$200 or more of wages was paid is ten. Ten times 1 per centum of \$23.04 is \$2.30, giving a primary insurance benefit of \$25.34. (If the amount so computed were less than \$10, the primary insurance benefit would be \$10.)

If A had been survived by a widow entitled to a widow's current insurance benefit, and by a child entitled to a child's insurance benefit, the benefits of the widow and the child would be basically computed at three-fourths and one-half, respectively, of A's primary insurance benefit, although A died without becoming entitled to receive primary insurance benefits.

2. The following statutory provision is inserted immediately preceding § 403.703:

SECTION 2 OF PUBLIC LAW 642 (80TH CONGRESS), ENACTED JUNE 14, 1948

"(a) * * *

"(b) The amendment made by subsection (a) (an amendment to the definition of the term "employee" in section 1101 (a) (6) of the act) shall have the same effect as if included in the Social Security Act on August 14, 1935, the date of its enactment, but shall not have the effect of voiding any (1) wage credits reported to the Bureau of Internal Revenue with respect to services performed prior to the enactment of this act or (2)

wage credits with respect to services performed prior to the close of the first calendar quarter which begins after the date of the enactment of this Act in the case of individuals who have attained age sixty-five or who have died, prior to the close of such quarter, and with respect to whom prior to the date of enactment of this act wage credits were established which would not have been established had the amendment made by subsection (a) been in effect on and after August 14, 1935.

3. Section 403.703 is amended by adding a new paragraph (h) to read:

§ 403.703 *Wage records.* * * *

(h) *Preservation of wage records because of definition of "employee" (Public Law 642, 80th Congress).* There shall be no deletion because of the provisions of Public Law 642 from the records maintained by the Administration, of any wage credits reported to the Bureau of Internal Revenue with respect to service performed prior to June 14, 1948, nor of any wage credits established for periods prior to January 1, 1944, which are conclusive by reason of section 205 (c) (2), whether or not such wage credits were reported to the Bureau of Internal Revenue, other than to conform such records with "tax returns" as provided in section 205 (c) (4); nor shall there be any deletion because of the provisions of Public Law 642 of any wage credits for service performed prior to October 1, 1948, in the case of individuals who have attained age 65 or who have died prior to such date and with respect to whom prior to June 14, 1948, wage credits were established which would not have been established had amendments made by subsection (a) of Public Law 642 been in effect on and after August 14, 1935 (see § 403.804).

4. The statutory provisions immediately preceding § 403.801 are amended so that sections 1101 (a) (1) and (6) of the act will read:

SECTION 1101 (A) AND (B) OF THE ACT

(a) When used in this Act:

(1) The term "State" includes Alaska, Hawaii, and the District of Columbia,

(6) The term "employee" includes an officer of a corporation, [but such term does not include (1) any individual who, under the usual common-law rules applicable in determining the employer-employee relationship, has the status of an independent contractor or (2) any individual (except an officer of a corporation) who is not an employee under such common-law rules.] (The words appearing in brackets were added by section 2 (a) of Public Law 642, 80th Congress.)

(Sec. 205 (a), 53 Stat. 1368, sec. 1102, 49 Stat. 647; 42 U. S. C. 405 (a), 1302; sec. 4 of Reorganization Plan No. 2 of 1946, 60 Stat. 1095; and 45 CFR, 1946 Supp., 1.21)

Dated: August 12, 1949.

A. J. ALTMAYER,
Commissioner for Social Security.

Approved: August 18, 1949.

OSCAR R. EWING,
Federal Security Administrator.

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TITLE 24—HOUSING AND HOUSING CREDIT

Chapter VIII—Office of Housing Expediter

[Controlled Housing Rent Reg., Amdt. 154]

[Controlled Rooms in Rooming Houses and Other Establishments Rent Reg., Amdt. 150]

PART 825—RENT REGULATIONS UNDER THE HOUSING AND RENT ACT OF 1947, AS AMENDED

NEBRASKA

The Controlled Housing Rent Regulation (§§ 825.1 to 825.12) and the Rent Regulation for Controlled Rooms in Rooming Houses and Other Establishments (§§ 825.81 to 825.92) are amended in the following respect:

Schedule A, Item 177, is amended to read as follows:

(177) [Revoked and decontrolled.]

This decontrols the entire Grand Island, Nebraska, Defense-Rental Area, on the Housing Expediter's own initiative in accordance with section 204 (c) of the Housing and Rent Act of 1947, as amended.

(Sec. 204 (d), 61 Stat. 197, as amended, 62 Stat. 37, 94, Pub. Law 31, 81st Cong.; 50 U. S. C. App. 1894 (d))

This amendment shall become effective August 19, 1949.

Issued this 19th day of August 1949.

TIGHE E. WOODS,
Housing Expediter.

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[Controlled Housing Rent Reg., Miami Defense-Rental Area, Amdt. 28]

[Controlled Rooms in Rooming Houses and Other Establishments Rent Reg., Miami Defense-Rental Area, Amdt. 23]

PART 825—RENT REGULATIONS UNDER THE HOUSING AND RENT ACT OF 1947, AS AMENDED

FLORIDA

The Controlled Housing Rent Regulation for the Miami Defense-Rental Area (§§ 825.41 to 825.52) and the Rent Regulation for Controlled Rooms in Rooming Houses and Other Establishments in Miami Defense-Rental Area (§§ 825.121 to 825.132) are hereby revoked.

This decontrols the entire Miami Defense-Rental Area, Florida, in accordance with the provisions of section 204 (j) (2) of the Housing and Rent Act of 1947, as amended.

13 F. R. 5735, 6246, 8389; 14 F. R. 20, 93, 145, 978, 1395, 1588, 1868, 2061, 2235, 2607, 2716, 3183, 3400, 3745, 4751, 4821.

13 F. R. 5750, 5789, 5937, 5938, 6247, 6283, 6411, 6556, 6882, 6911, 7299, 7672, 7801, 7862, 8218, 8219, 8328, 8388; 14 F. R. 18, 272, 337, 457, 627, 695, 857, 918, 978, 1083, 1345, 1520, 1570, 1582, 1587, 1669, 1670, 1734, 1759, 1869, 1932, 2061, 2062, 2085, 2176, 2237, 2413, 2440, 2441, 2545, 2607, 2608, 2695, 2746, 2761, 2796, 3079, 3121, 3153, 3201, 3234, 3280, 3311, 3353, 3400, 3451, 3468, 3494, 3555, 3617, 3675, 3705, 3746, 3772, 3811, 3812, 3849, 3993, 4482, 4451, 4452, 4617, 4668, 4751, 4758, 4790.

(Sec. 204 (d), 61 Stat. 197, as amended, 62 Stat. 37, 94, Pub. Law 31, 81st Cong.; 50 U. S. C. App. 1894 (d))

This amendment shall become effective September 1, 1949.

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TIGHE E. WOODS,
Housing Expediter.

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TITLE 38—PENSIONS, BONUSES, AND VETERANS' RELIEF

Chapter I—Veterans' Administration

PART 8—NATIONAL SERVICE LIFE INSURANCE

DEDUCTION OF INSURANCE PREMIUMS FROM COMPENSATION, RETIREMENT PAY OR PENSION

1. In § 8.8, the introductory paragraph is amended; paragraph (c) is deleted; and paragraphs (d) and (e) are renumbered (c) and (d), respectively:

§ 8.8 *Deduction of insurance premiums from compensation, retirement pay or pension.* The insured under a National Service Life Insurance policy which is not lapsed may authorize the monthly deduction of premiums from disability compensation, death compensation, retirement pay, disability pension, or death pension, that may be due and payable to him under any laws administered by the Veterans' Administration in accordance with the following provisions:

(c) The authorization may be canceled by the insured at any time by notice in writing to the Veterans' Administration. Such cancellation will be effective on the first day of the month following the month in which it is received by the Veterans' Administration.

(d) If the benefits payable to the insured are apportioned under the regulations of the Veterans' Administration now in effect or hereafter issued, the deduction authorized by the insured shall be from that portion awarded to the insured under such regulations.

2. In § 8.9, the title and entire paragraph are amended to read as follows:

§ 8.9 *Authorization for deduction of insurance premiums from compensation, retirement pay, or pension.* The authorization for deductions from disability compensation, death compensation, retirement pay, disability pension, or death pension to be acceptable for the payment of insurance premiums, must be executed and mailed or otherwise delivered to the Veterans' Administration while the insurance is not lapsed. Such an authorization will be effective against the benefit payment for the month in which it is mailed or otherwise delivered to the Veterans' Administration, unless the insured elects to have the authorization become effective against the benefit payment for a succeeding month. However, the deduction made from the benefit payment for the month in which the authorization becomes effective shall be for the insurance premium due in the succeeding

calendar month. When premium deductions are authorized in accordance with the provisions of Veterans' Administration regulations, the Veterans' Administration will make monthly deductions from the benefit payment due and payable to the insured of an amount sufficient to pay the monthly insurance premium. Such deductions will continue so long as the benefit payment due and payable to the insured is sufficient to pay the monthly insurance premium or until the authorization is revoked by the veteran or otherwise terminated.

(Secs. 601-618, 54 Stat. 1008-1014, secs. 1-16, 60 Stat. 781-789; 38 U. S. C. 512d, 801-818)

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O. W. CLARK,
Deputy Administrator.

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PART 8—NATIONAL SERVICE LIFE INSURANCE PAYMENT TO DECEDENT'S ESTATE

A new § 8.54 is added to read as follows:

§ 8.54 *Payment to decedent's estate.* If no legal representative has been or will be appointed, National Service life insurance benefits, including dividends and premium refunds which are payable to the estate of a deceased insured or beneficiary, may be paid direct to the person or persons entitled to the decedent's personal property under the laws of the State of his domicile, provided the amount payable is \$500 or less.

(Secs. 601-618, 54 Stat. 1008-1014, secs. 1-16, 60 Stat. 781-789; 38 U. S. C. 512d, 801-818)

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O. W. CLARK,
Deputy Administrator.

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TITLE 39—POSTAL SERVICE

Chapter I—Post Office Department

PART 127—INTERNATIONAL POSTAL SERVICE: POSTAGE RATES, SERVICE AVAILABLE, AND INSTRUCTIONS FOR MAILING

BRAZIL

1. In § 127.219 *Brazil* (13 F. R. 9120), as amended (14 F. R. 1440), amend subdivision (iii) of paragraph (b) (7) to read as follows:

(iii) For commercial shipments valued at \$25.00 or less, no consular invoice is necessary. Two copies of the commercial invoice, certified and legalized as described above, are required. Also, an import license must be obtained for any such shipment which may require dollar exchange for settlement, and the number of the license must be shown on the commercial invoice.

2. Add new subdivisions (vii) to (x), to read as follows:

(vii) In the case of parcels addressed in care of banks or other organizations, the second addressee shall be advised concerning the arrival of the parcel, but

he shall not have authority to claim delivery except upon written authorization from the first addressee or from the sender; in the latter case, the sender shall take steps, through the administration of the country of origin of the parcel, for its delivery to the second addressee.

(viii) A parcel destined for a person in care of a bank, organization, etc., shall bear the complete addresses of both addressees on the customs declarations and dispatch note, as well as on the parcel itself.

(ix) In order to avoid delays in the treatment of parcels by the customs in Brazil the customs declaration must show:

(a) Office of origin of the parcel;
(b) Complete addresses of sender and addressee;

(c) Exact designation of the merchandise: kind, quantity, value, gross, and net weight of each class of merchandise contained in the parcel. Generic or vague declarations such as "leather goods," "jewelry," "novelties," etc., are not allowed.

(x) The customs declarations may be worded in Portuguese, French, Spanish, or English.

(R. S. 161, 396, 398, secs. 304, 309, 42 Stat. 24, 25, 48 Stat. 943; 5 U. S. C. 22, 369, 372)

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J. M. DONALDSON,
Postmaster General.

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PART 127—INTERNATIONAL POSTAL SERVICE: POSTAGE RATES, SERVICE AVAILABLE, AND INSTRUCTIONS FOR MAILING

JAPAN

In § 127.286 *Japan* (13 F. R. 9176) make the following changes:

1. Subdivision (iii) of paragraph (a) (6) is rescinded.
2. Amend paragraph (b) to read as follows:

(b) *Parcel post; Japan*—(1) *Table of rates.* (i) *Surface parcels.*

Pounds:	Rate	Pounds:	Rate
1.....	\$0.14	12.....	\$1.68
2.....	.28	13.....	1.82
3.....	.42	14.....	1.96
4.....	.56	15.....	2.10
5.....	.70	16.....	2.24
6.....	.84	17.....	2.38
7.....	.98	18.....	2.52
8.....	1.12	19.....	2.66
9.....	1.26	20.....	2.80
10.....	1.40	21.....	2.94
11.....	1.54	22.....	3.08

Weight limit: 22 pounds.

Customs declarations: 1 Form 2966.

Dispatch note: No.

Parcel-post sticker: 1 Form 2922.

Sealing: Optional.

Group shipments: No.

Registration: No.

Insurance: No.

C. o. d.: No.

(2) *Indemnity.* No provision.

(3) *Dimensions.* Greatest combined length and girth, 6 feet. Greatest length $3\frac{1}{2}$ feet, except that parcels may measure up to 4 feet in length, on condition that parcels over 42 and not over 44

inches in length do not exceed 24 inches in girth, parcels over 44 and not over 46 inches in length do not exceed 20 inches in girth, and parcels over 46 inches and up to 4 feet in length do not exceed 16 inches in girth.

(4) *Observations.* (i) See paragraph (a) (6) (i) of this section for places to which parcels may be sent and for permissible addresses.

(ii) *Gift parcels.* (a) The parcels and relative customs declaration must be conspicuously marked "Gift Parcel" by the senders who must itemize the contents and value on the customs declaration.

(b) Gift parcels may contain only relief items such as nonperishable foods, mailable medicines in noncommercial quantities, soap, clothing, and other relief items in quantities which reasonably can be used by the addressee and his family. No gift parcel may contain more than 1,000 saccharine tablets or more than 1 item of tobacco, within the following limits:

(1) 200 cigarettes.

(2) 50 cigars.

(3) One-half pound of pipe tobacco.

The controlling authorities in Japan have limited as follows the quantities of food, mailable medicines, clothing, soap, and other relief items which may be included in a single gift parcel:

Assorted foodstuffs: Up to 22 pounds.

Mailable medicines: Noncommercial quantities not requiring a doctor's prescription.

The following specific items are specially limited to the amounts shown:

Penicillin.....	Up to 2,000,000 units.
Santonin.....	Up to 4 ounces.
Phenacetin.....	Up to 2 ounces.
Streptomycin.....	Up to 15 grams or 15,000,000 units.
Vitamins and similar products.....	2 dozen ampules or 1 pound of tablets.
Aspirin.....	2 ounces.
Sulfa drugs.....	50 tablets.

New clothing:

Suits or dresses, adults.....	1 of each size.
Suits or dresses, children.....	2 of each size.
Underwear.....	6 pairs.
Gloves.....	3 pairs.
Socks and stockings.....	1 dozen pairs.

Hats, caps, and the like..... 2 items.

Boots and shoes..... 2 pairs.

Handkerchiefs..... 1 dozen.

Towels..... 1 dozen.

Sheets and such coverings..... 5 items.

Textiles for clothing, woolen..... Sufficient for 2 suits.

Cotton or silk cloth..... Sufficient for 2 dresses.

Woolen yarn..... 5 pounds.

Cotton thread (yarn)..... 2 dozen small rolls.

Sewing needles..... 2 small packets.

Used clothing: Moderate quantities using the above new-goods standard as a basis.

Soap..... 2 dozen bars.

Other relief items:

Toilet goods or cosmetics..... 6 items each.

Compacts..... 2 items.

Handbags..... 2 items.

Parasols..... 2 items.

Games, balls, bats, gloves, etc..... 2 each.

Toys and children's picture books..... Reasonable quantity.