

INSTRUCTIONS RE FUEL AND HEATING OF BARRACKS

1. Coal, coke, and kindling wood will be delivered to the Albuhera Coal Yard, on indent to the Barracks Officer in the Stanhope Lines.
2. The Coal Yard shall be kept locked, the key being in possession of an N.C.O. detailed (permanently) to be responsible for coal issues.
3. Coal and coke will be issued daily. A truck will be supplied at 0830 hours by the transport. A fatigue of four men will report as detailed to N.C.O. I/C Coal.

The following will be the scale of the daily issue:

To each barrack block	10 tubs	approx. 800 lb
Sergeants' Mess	10 "	
Corporals' Mess	3 "	
Q. M. stores	5 "	
W. Os. House	8 "	
Guard Room	5 "	
Armourers' Shop	1 "	
Plumbers' Shop	1/3 "	
Transport Office	1 "	
Orderly Room	2 "	
Signallers	2 "	

(These amounts will be modified according to the weather conditions.)

4. Slack must be mixed with the coal and burned. On no account is slack to be allowed to accumulate in the coal pit.
5. Where slow combustion stoves are used, a mixture of coke and coal is to be burned. This burns slower and gives out more heat than coal alone. When the fire is well alight, the drafts must be checked. The fire must NOT be allowed to roar up the chimney as this wastes heat and fuel.
6. Fires are not to be lighted in the barrack rooms until 1600 hours and must not be re-fueled after 2200 hours. In the event of an exceptional spell of cold weather, permission may be granted for a longer period of heating. The Guard Room and the sick bay may, in cold weather, keep the fires going 24 hours daily.
7. Coke for the boiler house will be delivered direct from the contractor to the coal shed outside the boiler room. A fatigue will be detailed to keep the bin in the boiler house filled. Ten tons of coke will be ample for a week's supply.  
N.B.: it is important that a reserve of coke be kept in the coal yard for the boiler house in case of emergency.
8. In view of the difficulties of fuel supply it is imperative that every one conserves fuel as much as possible. Barrack orderlies will consider it one of their duties to ensure that fuel is NOT wasted. Maximum savings of fuel must be made to meet higher consumption during cold weather. Disciplinary action will be taken in cases of lighting of unnecessary fires or of fuel wastage.
9. ALWAYS REMEMBER - TRANSPORTATION PROBLEMS DUE TO THE (over) NATIONAL WAR EFFORT MAKE IT DIFFICULT TO GET DELIVERY OF FUEL. IT IS NOT NECESSARY TO DO WITH OUT FUEL -- JUST SAVE WHAT YOU CAN.

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1. Coal, coke, and kindling wood will be delivered to the Aldermans. ~~ALWAYS REMEMBER TRANSPORTATION PROBLEMS DUE TO THE WAR, TRY TO~~
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Transport Office	1 "	
Orderly Room	2 "	
Signalers	2 "	

(These amounts will be modified according to the weather conditions.)

4. ~~Stick must be mixed with the coke and burned. On no account is slack to be allowed to accumulate in the coal pit.~~
5. Where slow combustion stoves are used, a mixture of coke and coal is to be burned. This burns slower and gives out more heat than coal alone. When the fire is well alight, the draught must be checked. The fire must NOT be allowed to roar up the chimney as this wastes heat and fuel.
6. Fires are not to be lighted in the barrack rooms until 1800 hours and must not be re-fueled after 2200 hours. In the event of an exception at a spell of cold weather, permission may be granted for a longer period of heating. The Guard Room and the sick bay may, in cold weather, keep the fires going 24 hours daily.
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