

**World War II Rationing Collection, 1942-1946**  
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**Scope and Content Note:**

This collection consists of unused certificates, coupons and stamps issued by the United States Government Office of Price Administration (OPA) on certain goods that were rationed during World War II. Most of these items were from a special set assembled by the Library of Congress after the war that was distributed to select libraries, archives and historical repositories for the explicit purpose of documenting the rationing program that was implemented during the war to ensure adequate supplies were available primarily for the military. The special set distributed by the Library of Congress also included the pamphlet entitled *Rationing in World War II* that provides detailed summary of the rationing program and the various documents found in this collection. Goods rationed during the war included meat, sugar, gasoline, fuel oil, tires and shoes.

**Inventory**

Box	Folder	Description
1	1	United State Office of Price Administration. <i>Rationing in a World War II</i> (Washington, D.C.: U.S. Government Printing Office, 1946)
		<b>Food Ration Coupons and Certificates</b>
1	2	War Ration Book One (2 copies)
1	2	War Ration Book Two (2 copies)
1	2	War Ration Book , No. 3 (2 copies)
1	2	War Ration Book Five (2 copies)
1	3	Food Ration Certificates (2 copies in 3 parts)
1	3	Sugar Purchase Certificate (2 copies, 3-part carbon form)
1	3	Sugar Allowance Coupon, 1 Pound (2 copies)
1	3	Sugar Allowance Coupon, 3 Pounds (1 copy)
1	3	Meats-Fats-Fish-Cheeses (2 copies)
1	3	Processed Foods (2 copies)
		<b>Gasoline and Mileage Ration Coupons</b>
1	4	Basic Gasoline Ration Coupon Book "A" (1 copy)
1	4	Supplemental Gasoline Ration Book "C" (2 copies)
1	4	Nonhighway Gasoline Ration Book "R" (1 copy)
1	4	Nonhighway Ration Book "R" (2 copies)
1	5	Transport Mileage Ration Book "T-1" (2 copies)
1	5	Transport Mileage Ration Book "T-1" with "TT" Ration Coupons (2 copies)
1	5	Transport Mileage Ration Book "T-3" with "TT" Ration Coupons (2 copies)

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1	5	Mileage Ration Window Sticker "T" (2 copies)
1	6	One-Gallon Inventory Gasoline Coupon Book (1 copy)
1	6	100-Gallon Bulk Gasoline Coupon Book (1 copy)
1	7	Gasoline Ration Card "A" (2 copies)
1	7	Gasoline Ration Card "B-1" (1 copy)
1	7	Gasoline Ration Card "B-2" (1 copy)
1	7	Gasoline Ration Card "B-3" (1 copy)
1	7	Gasoline Ration Card "X" (1 copy)
1	7	Gasoline Ration Window Sticker "A" (1 copy)
1	7	Gasoline Ration Window Sticker "B" (2 copies)
1	7	Gasoline Purchase Permit not more than 10 gallons (2 copies)
1	7	Ration Banking Gasoline Deposit Certificate (2 copies)
1	7	Mileage Rationing Program Certificate (2 copies: parts A, B, and D)
1	8	Basic Mileage Ration Coupon Sheet, "A 9-12" (2 copies)
1	8	Basic Mileage Ration Coupon Sheet, "A 13-17" (2 copies)
1	8	Supplemental Mileage Ration Coupon Sheet "B" (1 copy)
1	8	Supplemental Mileage Ration Coupon Sheet "C" (2 copies)
1	8	Supplemental Mileage Ration Coupon Sheet "C" with "C2" Mileage Coupons (1 copy)
1	8	Motorcycle Mileage Ration Coupon Sheet "D" (2 copies)
1	8	Nonhighway Ration Coupon Sheet "E" (2 copies)
1	8	Gasoline One-Gallon Bulk Coupon Sheet (1 copy)
1	8	Gasoline One-Gallon Inventory Coupon Sheet (1 copy)
1	8	Application for Supplemental and Occupational Mileage Ration (4 copies)
		<b>Fuel Oil Certificates and Coupons</b>
1	9	Application and Registration Certificate for Fuel Oil Dealer or Supplier (1 copy)
1	9	Ration Banking Fuel Oil Deposit Certificate (2 copies)
1	9	Fuel Oil Exchange Certificate (2 copies)
1	9	Acknowledgement and Authorization of Delivery Gasoline and Fuel Oil for use by exempt agencies (2 copies)
1	9	Fuel Oil – One-Gallon Inventory Coupon Sheet (2 copies)
1	9	Fuel Oil – 100 Gallon Inventory Coupon Sheet (1 copy)
1	10	Fuel Oil Ration Class 1 Consumer Coupon Sheet – Zone A (2 copies)
1	10	Fuel Oil Ration Class 1 Consumer Coupon Sheet – Zone B (2 copies)
1	10	Fuel Oil Ration Class 1 Consumer Coupon Sheet – Zone D (2 copies)
1	10	Fuel Oil Ration Class 2 Consumer Coupon Sheet – Zone B (2 copies)
1	10	Fuel Oil Ration Class 3 Consumer Coupon Sheet – 1 Gallon Coupons (1 copy)
1	10	Fuel Oil Ration Class 3 Consumer Coupon Sheet – 5 Gallon Coupons (2 copies)
1	10	Fuel Oil Ration Class 3 Consumer Coupon Sheet – 25 Gallon Coupons (2 copies)
1	10	Fuel Oil Ration Class 3 Consumer Coupon Sheet – 100 Gallon Coupons (3 copies)
1	11	Fuel Oil Ration Class 4 Consumer Coupon Sheet – Zone A1 (2 copies)
1	11	Fuel Oil Ration Class 4 Consumer Coupon Sheet – Zone B1 (3 copies)

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1	11	Fuel Oil Ration Class 4A Consumer Coupon Sheet – Zone B2 (2 copies)
1	11	Fuel Oil Ration Class 4B Consumer Coupon Sheet – Zone A2 (2 copies)
1	11	Fuel Oil Ration Class 5 Consumer Coupon Sheet – Zone A1 (2 copies)
1	11	Fuel Oil Ration Class 5 Consumer Coupon Sheet – Zone B1 (2 copies)
1	11	Fuel Oil Ration Class 5A Consumer Coupon Sheet – Zone B2 (1 copy)
1	11	Fuel Oil Ration Class 5B Consumer Coupon Sheet – Zone A1 (1 copy)
1	11	Fuel Oil Ration Class 5B Consumer Coupon Sheet – Zone A2 (1 copy)
1	11	Fuel Oil Ration Class 5B Consumer Coupon Sheet – Zone B2 (1 copy)
1	11	Fuel Oil Ration Class 6 Consumer Coupon Sheet – Zone A1 (2 copies)
		<b>Transportation Certificates</b>
1	12	Certificate for Acquisition of New Passenger Automobile on or before January 1, 1942 (1 copy)
1	12	Certificate to Purchase 1942 Model Passenger Car for Use (2 copies)
1	12	Nontransferable Certificate for Purchase of Tires or Tubes or Recapping Service (1 copy)
1	12	Tire Dealers Part of Tire Certificate – Form R2-A (2 copies)
1	12	Tire Dealers Part of Tire Certificate – Form R2-B (1 copy)
1	12	Certificate Authorizing Acquisition of New Adult Bicycle (1 copy)
		<b>Appliances and Durable Goods Certificates</b>
1	13	Stove Purchase Certificate, OPA Form R-901 (5-10-43) (2 copies)
1	13	Stove Purchase Certificate, OPA Form R-901 (Rev. 5-45) (2 copies)
1	13	Typewriter Rental Certificate (2 copies)
1	13	Application for Certificate to Rent Class B Typewriter (1 copy)
		<b>Shoes and Rubber Footwear Certificates and Coupons</b>
1	14	Shoe Purchase Certificate Form 1705-A (2 copies)
1	14	Special Shoe Stamps Sheet (1 item)
1	14	Non-Rationed Shoes Stamp Sheet (2 copies)
1	14	Non-Rationed Shoes Stamp Sheet (1 copy)
1	14	Certificate of Registration to Buy, Acquire, and Transfer Men's Rubber Boots and Rubber Work Shoes (2 copies)
1	14	Rubber Footwear Purchase Certificate, 1943 (2 copies)
1	14	Rubber Footwear Purchase Certificate, 1944 (2 copies)
1	14	Certificate to Acquire Men's Rubber Boots and Rubber Work Shoes (1 copy)

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