



## **Guide to the World War II ration coupon collection, 1942-1946**

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## Summary

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**Collection Title:**

World War II ration coupon collection, 1942-1946

**Creator:**

United States. Office of Price Administration

**Abstract:**

Collection consists of ration coupons, stickers, permits, and certificates for tires, bicycles, typewriters, sugar, shoes, fuel oil, gasoline, and food which were issued by the Office of Price Administration between 1942-1946. There are duplicates for a few items.

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**Physical Location:**

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**Language:**

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**Language:**

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## Background

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### Scope and Content

Collection consists of ration coupons, stickers, permits, and certificates for tires, bicycles, typewriters, sugar, shoes, fuel oil, gasoline, and food which were issued by the Office of Price Administration between 1942-1946. There are duplicates for a few items.

### Biographical/Historical

The Office of Price Administration and Civilian Supply was created by Exec. order no. 8734, April 11, 1941; in the new agency were combined the price and consumer divisions of the National Defense Advisory Commission; name of agency changed to Office of Price Administration by Exec. order no. 8874, Aug. 28, 1941.

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## Arrangement

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Organized by product type, then by number of items.

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## Administrative Information

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## **Processing Information**

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## **Names and Subjects**

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- Rationing -- United States -- History -- 20th century
- Energy conservation -- United States
- World War, 1939-1945 -- Food supply -- United States
- World War, 1939-1945 -- Economic aspects -- United States
- World War, 1939-1945 -- Social aspects -- United States
- United States. Office of Price Administration

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## Collection Inventory

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Tire certificate A and B (online item available) Box 1

**Physical Description:** 33.9598 cm x 8.5725 cm (13.37" x 3.375")

**Digital Object:** [Tire certificate A and B](#)

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Tire dealers part of tire certificate (online item available) Box 1

**Physical Description:** 64.135 cm x 8.255 cm (25.25" x 3.25")

**Digital Object:** [Tire dealers part of tire certificate](#)

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Nontransferable certificate for the purchase of tires or tubes or recapping service (online item available) Box 1

**Physical Description:** 21.2598 cm x 55.88 cm (8.37" x 22.0")

**Digital Object:** [Nontransferable certificate for the purchase of tires or tubes or recapping service](#)

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Certificate for acquisition of new passenger automobile purchased on or before January 1, 1942 (online item available) Box 1

**Physical Description:** 20.32 cm x 61.9125 cm (8.0" x 24.375")

**Digital Object:** [Certificate for acquisition of new passenger automobile purchased on or before January 1, 1942](#)

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Certificate to purchase 1942 model passenger car for use (online item available) Box 1

**Physical Description:** 41.91 cm x 21.59 cm (16.5" x 8.5")

**Digital Object:** [Certificate to purchase 1942 model passenger car for use](#)

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Stove purchase certificate (online item available) Box 1

**Physical Description:** 17.145 cm x 8.255 cm (6.75" x 3.25")

**Digital Object:** [Stove purchase certificate](#)

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Stove purchase certificate 1943 (online item available) Box 1

**Physical Description:** 20.32 cm x 8.89 cm (8.0" x 3.5")

**Digital Object:** [Stove purchase certificate 1943](#)

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Typewriter rental certificate (online item available) Box 1

**Physical Description:** 17.78 cm x 19.05 cm (7.0" x 7.5")

**Digital Object:** [Typewriter rental certificate](#)

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Application for certificate to rent class B typewriters (online item available) Box 1

**Physical Description:** 20.32 cm x 26.67 cm (8.0" x 10.5")

**Digital Object:** [Application for certificate to rent class B typewriters](#)

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Certificate authorizing acquisition of new adult bicycles (online item available) Box 1

**Physical Description:** 64.77 cm x 27.94 cm (25.5" x 11.0")

**Digital Object:** [Certificate authorizing acquisition of new adult bicycles](#)

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Rubber footwear purchase certificate (1943) (online item available) Box 1

**Physical Description:** 20.32 cm x 8.89 cm (8.0" x 3.5")

**Digital Object:** [Rubber footwear purchase certificate \(1943\)](#)

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Rubber footwear purchase certificate (1944) (online item available) Box 1

**Physical Description:** 17.145 cm x 8.255 cm (6.75" x 3.25")

**Digital Object:** [Rubber footwear purchase certificate \(1944\)](#)

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Certificate of registration to buy, sell, and transfer men's rubber boots and rubber work shoes, 1942 (online item available) Box 1

**Physical Description:** 20.32 cm x 10.16 cm (8.0" x 4.0")

**Digital Object:** [Certificate of registration to buy, sell, and transfer men's rubber boots and rubber work shoes](#)

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Shoe purchase certificate, 1943-1944 (online item available) Box 1

**Physical Description:** 20.32 cm x 8.89 cm (8.0" x 3.5")

**Digital Object:** [Shoe purchase certificate](#)

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Non-rationed shoes, 1943 (online item available) Box 1

**Physical Description:** 20.32 cm x 13.97 cm (8.0" x 5.5")

**Digital Object:** [Non-rationed shoes](#)

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Special shoe stamps, 1943 (online item available)	Box 1
<b>Physical Description:</b> 26.035 cm x 13.0175 cm (10.25" x 5.125")	
<b>Digital Object:</b> <a href="#">Special shoe stamps</a>	

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Non-rationed shoe stamps, 1943 (online item available)	Box 1
<b>Physical Description:</b> 27.94 cm x 14.2875 cm (11.0" x 5.625")	
<b>Digital Object:</b> <a href="#">Non-rationed shoe stamps</a>	

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Certificate to acquire men's rubber boots and rubber work shoes, 1942 (online item available)	Box 1
<b>Physical Description:</b> 20.955 cm x 55.88 cm (8.25" x 22.0")	
<b>Digital Object:</b> <a href="#">Certificate to acquire men's rubber boots and rubber work shoes</a>	

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Sugar purchase certificate, 1942-1945 (online item available)	Box 1
<b>Physical Description:</b> 19.685 cm x 9.525 cm (7.75" x 3.75")	
<b>Digital Object:</b> <a href="#">Sugar purchase certificate</a>	

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Sugar allowance coupon for home food processing 1 pound, 1942-1945 (online item available)	Box 1
<b>Physical Description:</b> 21.59 cm x 21.59 cm (8.5" x 8.5")	
<b>Digital Object:</b> <a href="#">Sugar allowance coupon for home food processing 1 pound</a>	

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Sugar allowance coupon for home food processing 3 pounds, 1942-1945 (online item available)	Box 1
<b>Physical Description:</b> 21.59 cm x 21.59 cm (8.5" x 8.5")	
<b>Digital Object:</b> <a href="#">Sugar allowance coupon for home food processing 3 pounds</a>	

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Food ration certificate, 1942 (online item available)	Box 1
<b>Physical Description:</b> 60.325 cm x 8.382 cm (23.75" x 3.3")	
<b>Digital Object:</b> <a href="#">Food ration certificate</a>	

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Processed foods - ration card for residents of border zone in Mexico (online item available)	Box 1
<b>Physical Description:</b> 16.51 cm x 20.32 cm (6.5" x 8.0")	
<b>Digital Object:</b> <a href="#">Processed foods - ration card for residents of border zone in Mexico</a>	

Meats - fat - fish - cheeses ration card for residents of border zone in Mexico (online item available) Box 1

**Physical Description:** 16.8148 cm x 22.86 cm (6.62" x 9.0")

**Digital Object:** [Meats - fat - fish - cheeses ration card for residents of border zone in Mexico](#)

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War ration book one (online item available) Box 1

**Physical Description:** 26.67 cm x 20.32 cm (10.5" x 8.0")

**Digital Object:** [War ration book one](#)

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War ration book two, 1942 (online item available) Box 1

**Physical Description:** 28.8798 cm x 10.795 cm (11.37" x 4.25")

**Digital Object:** [War ration book two](#)

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War ration book three, 1943 (online item available) Box 1

**Physical Description:** 29.21 cm x 10.795 cm (11.5" x 4.25")

**Digital Object:** [War ration book three](#)

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War ration book five, 1945 (online item available) Box 1

**Physical Description:** 14.605 cm x 5.3975 cm (5.75" x 2.125")

**Digital Object:** [War ration book five](#)

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Fuel oil ration class 4 consumer coupons (Zone A-1) (online item available) Box 1

**Physical Description:** 51.1048 cm x 16.1925 cm (20.12" x 6.375")

**Digital Object:** [Fuel oil ration class 4 consumer coupons \(Zone A-1\)](#)

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Fuel oil ration class 4 consumer coupons (Zone B-1) (online item available) Box 1

**Physical Description:** 50.8 cm x 16.51 cm (20.0" x 6.5")

**Digital Object:** [Fuel oil ration class 4 consumer coupons \(Zone B-1\)](#)

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Fuel oil ration class 4A consumer coupons (Zone B-2), 1944 (online item available) Box 1

**Physical Description:** 51.1048 cm x 16.51 cm (20.12" x 6.5")

**Digital Object:** [Fuel oil ration class 4A consumer coupons \(Zone B-2\)](#)

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Fuel oil ration class 4B consumer coupons (Zone A-2), 1945-1946 (online item available) Box 1

**Physical Description:** 51.1048 cm x 16.1925 cm (20.12" x 6.375")

**Digital Object:** [Fuel oil ration class 4B consumer coupons \(Zone A-2\)](#)

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Fuel oil ration class 5 consumer coupons (Zone A-1), 1942-1945 (online item available) Box 1

**Physical Description:** 35.56 cm x 16.51 cm (14.0" x 6.5")

**Digital Object:** [Fuel oil ration class 5 consumer coupons \(Zone A-1\)](#)

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Fuel oil ration class 5 consumer coupons (Zone B-1), 1942-1945 (online item available) Box 1

**Physical Description:** 35.56 cm x 16.51 cm (14.0" x 6.5")

**Digital Object:** [Fuel oil ration class 5 consumer coupons \(Zone B-1\)](#)

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Fuel oil ration class 5B consumer coupons (Zone A-2), 1942-1945 (online item available) Box 1

**Physical Description:** 40.005 cm x 16.51 cm (15.75" x 6.5")

**Digital Object:** [Fuel oil ration class 5B consumer coupons \(Zone A-2\)](#)

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Fuel oil ration class 5A consumer coupons (Zone B-2), 1944 (online item available) Box 1

**Physical Description:** 39.37 cm x 16.1925 cm (15.5" x 6.375")

**Digital Object:** [Fuel oil ration class 5A consumer coupons \(Zone B-2\)](#)

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Fuel oil ration class 5B consumer coupons (Zone B-2), 1945-1946 (online item available) Box 1

**Physical Description:** 40.005 cm x 16.1925 cm (15.75" x 6.375")

**Digital Object:** [Fuel oil ration class 5B consumer coupons \(Zone B-2\)](#)

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Fuel oil ration class 6 consumer coupons (Zone A-1), 1945-1946 (online item available) Box 1

**Physical Description:** 35.56 cm x 16.1925 cm (14.0" x 6.375")

**Digital Object:** [Fuel oil ration class 6 consumer coupons \(Zone A-1\)](#)

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V - Fuel oil ration class 1 consumer coupons (red), 1942 (online item available) Box 1

**Physical Description:** 44.45 cm x 27.305 cm (17.5" x 10.75")

**Digital Object:** [V - Fuel oil ration class 1 consumer coupons \(red\)](#)

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V - Fuel oil ration class 1 consumer coupons (purple), 1942 (online item available) Box 1

**Physical Description:** 44.45 cm x 27.305 cm (17.5" x 10.75")

**Digital Object:** [V - Fuel oil ration class 1 consumer coupons \(purple\)](#)

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V - Fuel oil ration class 1 consumer coupon (green), 1942 (online item available) Box 1

**Physical Description:** 44.45 cm x 27.305 cm (17.5" x 10.75")

**Digital Object:** [V - Fuel oil ration class 1 consumer coupon \(green\)](#)

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V - Fuel oil ration class 2 consumer coupons (green), 1942 (online item available) Box 1

**Physical Description:** 44.45 cm x 27.305 cm (17.5" x 10.75")

**Digital Object:** [V - Fuel oil ration class 2 consumer coupons \(green\)](#)

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V - Fuel oil ration class 3 consumer coupons (1 gallon), 1942 (online item available) Box 1

**Physical Description:** 32.385 cm x 26.67 cm (12.75" x 10.5")

**Digital Object:** [V - Fuel oil ration class 3 consumer coupons \(1 gallon\)](#)

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V - Fuel oil ration class 3 consumer coupons (5 gallon), 1942 (online item available) Box 1

**Physical Description:** 32.385 cm x 26.67 cm (12.75" x 10.5")

**Digital Object:** [V - Fuel oil ration class 3 consumer coupons \(5 gallon\)](#)

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V - Fuel oil ration class 3 consumer coupons (25 gallon), 1942 (online item available) Box 1

**Physical Description:** 32.385 cm x 26.67 cm (12.75" x 10.5")

**Digital Object:** [V - Fuel oil ration class 3 consumer coupons \(25 gallon\)](#)

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V - Fuel oil ration class 3 consumer coupons (100 gallon), 1942 (online item available) Box 1

**Physical Description:** 32.385 cm x 26.67 cm (12.75" x 10.5")

**Digital Object:** [V - Fuel oil ration class 3 consumer coupons \(100 gallon\)](#)

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Fuel oil - one gallon inventory coupons, 1942 (online item available) Box 1

**Physical Description:** 32.385 cm x 26.67 cm (12.75" x 10.5")

**Digital Object:** [Fuel oil - one gallon inventory coupons](#)

Fuel oil - 100 gallon inventory coupons, 1942  
(online item available) Box 1

**Physical Description:** 32.385 cm x 26.67 cm (12.75" x 10.5")

**Digital Object:** [Fuel oil - 100 gallon inventory coupons](#)

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Permits delivery of one A unit, 1942 (online item  
available) Box 1

**Physical Description:** 10.4648 cm x 5.3975 cm (4.12" x 2.125")

**Digital Object:** [Permits delivery of one A unit](#)

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Bulk coupon permits delivery of 100 gallons,  
1942 (online item available) Box 1

**Physical Description:** 12.7 cm x 5.3975 cm (5.0" x 2.125")

**Digital Object:** [Bulk coupon permits delivery of 100 gallons](#)

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Fuel oil exchange certificate, 1942 (online item  
available) Box 1

**Physical Description:** 20.32 cm x 25.4 cm (8.0" x 10.0")

**Digital Object:** [Fuel oil exchange certificate](#)

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Fuel oil deposit certificate, 1941-1945 (online  
item available) Box 1

**Physical Description:** 20.32 cm x 7.62 cm (8.0" x 3.0")

**Digital Object:** [Fuel oil deposit certificate](#)

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Application and registration certificate for fuel oil  
dealer or supplier (online item available) Box 1

**Physical Description:** 26.3398 cm x 40.64 cm (10.37" x 16.0")

**Digital Object:** [Application and registration certificate for fuel oil dealer or supplier](#)

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One gallon inventory gasoline coupons, 1942  
(online item available) Box 1

**Physical Description:** 12.3698 cm x 5.08 cm (4.87" x 2.0")

**Digital Object:** [One gallon inventory gasoline coupons](#)

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C supplemental gasoline ration (online item  
available) Box 1

**Physical Description:** 10.16 cm x 5.3975 cm (4.0" x 2.125")

**Digital Object:** [C supplemental gasoline ration](#)

E non-highway gasoline ration, 1942 (online item available) Box 1

**Physical Description:** 10.16 cm x 5.3975 cm (4.0" x 2.125")

**Digital Object:** [E non-highway gasoline ration](#)

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R non-highway gasoline ration, 1942-1943 (online item available) Box 1

**Physical Description:** 10.16 cm x 5.3975 cm (4.0" x 2.125")

**Digital Object:** [R non-highway gasoline ration](#)

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R non-highway ration, 1943 (online item available) Box 1

**Physical Description:** 10.16 cm x 5.3975 cm (4.0" x 2.125")

**Digital Object:** [R non-highway ration](#)

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T-2 transportation mileage ration, 1942-1943 (online item available) Box 1

**Physical Description:** 10.16 cm x 5.3975 cm (4.0" x 2.125")

**Digital Object:** [T-2 transportation mileage ration](#)

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T-1 transport mileage ration (D), 1943 (online item available) Box 1

**Physical Description:** 10.16 cm x 5.3975 cm (4.0" x 2.125")

**Digital Object:** [T-1 transport mileage ration \(D\)](#)

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T-1 transport mileage ration (V6), 1942 (online item available) Box 1

**Physical Description:** 10.16 cm x 5.3975 cm (4.0" x 2.125")

**Digital Object:** [T-1 transport mileage ration \(V6\)](#)

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Windshield sticker (A), 1942-1945 (online item available) Box 1

**Physical Description:** 6.35 cm x 8.255 cm (2.5" x 3.25")

**Digital Object:** [Windshield sticker \(A\)](#)

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Windshield sticker (B), 1942-1945 (online item available) Box 1

**Physical Description:** 6.35 cm x 8.255 cm (2.5" x 3.25")

**Digital Object:** [Windshield sticker \(B\)](#)

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Mileage ration T (online item available)	Box 1
<b>Physical Description:</b> 6.35 cm x 8.255 cm (2.5" x 3.25")	
<b>Digital Object:</b> <a href="#">Mileage ration T</a>	

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Gasoline ration card A, 1942 (online item available)	Box 1
<b>Physical Description:</b> 10.16 cm x 8.255 cm (4.0" x 3.25")	
<b>Digital Object:</b> <a href="#">Gasoline ration card A</a>	

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Gasoline ration card B-1, 1942 (online item available)	Box 1
<b>Physical Description:</b> 10.16 cm x 8.255 cm (4.0" x 3.25")	
<b>Digital Object:</b> <a href="#">Gasoline ration card B-1</a>	

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Gasoline ration card B-2, 1942 (online item available)	Box 1
<b>Physical Description:</b> 11.0998 cm x 7.9375 cm (4.37" x 3.125")	
<b>Digital Object:</b> <a href="#">Gasoline ration card B-2</a>	

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Gasoline ration card B-3, 1942 (online item available)	Box 1
<b>Physical Description:</b> 10.16 cm x 8.255 cm (4.0" x 3.25")	
<b>Digital Object:</b> <a href="#">Gasoline ration card B-3</a>	

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Gasoline ration card X, 1942 (online item available)	Box 1
<b>Physical Description:</b> 10.16 cm x 8.255 cm (4.0" x 3.25")	
<b>Digital Object:</b> <a href="#">Gasoline ration card X</a>	

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Acknowledgment and authorization of delivery gasoline and fuel oil (online item available)	Box 1
<b>Physical Description:</b> 20.32 cm x 8.89 cm (8.0" x 3.5")	
<b>Digital Object:</b> <a href="#">Acknowledgment and authorization of delivery gasoline and fuel oil</a>	

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Mileage rationing program certificate (online item available)	Box 1
<b>Physical Description:</b> 64.135 cm x 8.255 cm (25.25" x 3.25")	
<b>Digital Object:</b> <a href="#">Mileage rationing program certificate</a>	

Gasoline purchase permit, 1942-1945 (online item available) Box 1

**Physical Description:** 17.145 cm x 8.5725 cm (6.75" x 3.375")

**Digital Object:** [Gasoline purchase permit](#)

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Gasoline deposit certificate, 1943-1945 (online item available) Box 1

**Physical Description:** 20.32 cm x 7.62 cm (8.0" x 3.0")

**Digital Object:** [Gasoline deposit certificate](#)

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A - basic mileage ration (online item available) Box 1

**Physical Description:** 19.05 cm x 19.05 cm (7.5" x 7.5")

**Digital Object:** [A - basic mileage ration](#)

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A - basic mileage ration (online item available) Box 1

**Physical Description:** 12.7 cm x 20.32 cm (5.0" x 8.0")

**Digital Object:** [A - basic mileage ration](#)

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B - supplemental mileage ration, 1942 (online item available) Box 1

**Physical Description:** 9.1948 cm x 16.1925 cm (3.62" x 6.375")

**Digital Object:** [B - supplemental mileage ration](#)

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C - supplemental gasoline ration (online item available) Box 1

**Physical Description:** 18.415 cm x 27.305 cm (7.25" x 10.75")

**Digital Object:** [C - supplemental gasoline ration](#)

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C2 - supplemental gasoline ration (online item available) Box 1

**Physical Description:** 18.415 cm x 27.305 cm (7.25" x 10.75")

**Digital Object:** [C2 - supplemental gasoline ration](#)

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D motorcycle ration, 1943 (online item available) Box 1

**Physical Description:** 18.415 cm x 22.225 cm (7.25" x 8.75")

**Digital Object:** [D motorcycle ration](#)

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E non-highway gasoline ration, 1943 (online item available) Box 1

**Physical Description:** 21.2598 cm x 21.59 cm (8.37" x 8.5")

**Digital Object:** [E non-highway gasoline ration](#)

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Gasoline one gallon inventory coupons,  
1943-1945 (online item available)

Box 1

**Physical Description:** 32.385 cm x 27.305 cm (12.75" x 10.75")

**Digital Object:** [Gasoline one gallon inventory coupons](#)

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Gasoline one gallon bulk coupons, 1942-1945  
(online item available)

Box 1

**Physical Description:** 32.385 cm x 26.67 cm (12.75" x 10.5")

**Digital Object:** [Gasoline one gallon bulk coupons](#)