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Factories and Shops Acts.

DETERMINATION OF THE BEDSTEADMAKERS BOARD.

NOTE.—This Determination, on the 2nd day of April, 1920, applied to the following parts of Victoria, namely:—The Metropolitan District as defined in the Factories and Shops Acts: the cities of Ballarat, Bendigo, Geelong, and Warrnambool; the towns of Ballarat East and Sandringham; and the boroughs of Eaglehawk, Geelong West, Newtown and Chilwell, and Sebastopol.

IN accordance with the provisions of the Factories and Shops Acts, the Wages Board appointed to “determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any person or persons or classes of persons (including the moulders of bedsteads and excluding the moulders of fenders) employed in the process, trade, or business of a maker of metal bedsteads or fenders, or parts thereof,” has made the following Determination, namely:—

(1) That on the 2nd day of April, 1920, the last previous Determination of this Board shall be revoked and replaced by this Determination.

(2)

APPRENTICES OR IMPROVERS.				JUVENILE WORKERS.			OTHER EMPLOYEES.	
Experience.	Wages per week of 48 hours.			Age.	Wages per week of 48 hours.		Wages.	Per week of 48 hours.
	Commencing age—				Males.	Females.		
	15 years or under.	16 years.	17 years or over.					
	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	
1st year	13 0	18 0	21 0	Under 16 years	18 6	..		
2nd year	17 0	20 0	25 0	Under 17 years	..	19 0		
3rd year	23 0	24 0	32 0	16 years	23 6	..		
4th year	28 0	31 0	43 0	17 years	29 6	22 6		
5th year	32 0	42 0	53 0	18 years	34 6	22 6		
6th year	41 0	52 0	Minimum wage	19 years	44 6	28 0		
7th year	51 0	Minimum wage	Minimum wage	20 years	57 0	28 0		
NUMBER (in any place).								
<i>Apprentices.</i>								
One apprentice to every three or fraction of three workers of the same sex receiving not less than the minimum wage.								
<i>Improvers.</i>								
One improver to every two or fraction of two workers receiving not less than 69s. per week of 48 hours.								
				Blacksmiths 75 0 Chill-fitters who design and model .. 85 0 Other chill-fitters 78 0 Chippers and casters 73 0 Electroplaters 86 0 Electroplaters' assistants 76 0 Fitters of fenders which, with the exception of bottom plates, are wholly made of brass or copper, or brass or copper case 75 0 Other fender fitters 72 6 Fitters and mounters of bedstead parts wholly made of brass tube or brass case tube 78 0 Fitters-up, i.e., persons who fit, straighten, drill and square up parts of bedsteads after such parts have been cast, exclusive of those who drill for mounting .. 75 0 Frame setters 76 0 Furnacemen 76 0 Grinders (including persons using faced or consolidated wheels for preparing work for polishing) 76 0 Japanners employed in finishing coating for 1½-in. and 2-in. pillars, and rails if cast thereto 75 0 Lacquerers of brass work 73 0 Mounters of pillars and rails for bedsteads with pillars not less than 1½ inches in diameter, excepting rails plain or rosetted only 76 0 Packers who pack bedsteads in parts in cases or crates 73 0 Persons who cut, straighten, bend, close tube ends, drill, and prepare bedstead parts for casting up (exclusive of cleaning) 73 0 Polishers of plated or brass work 72 0 Female wrappers 38 0 All others 69 0				

DEFINITION.—Juvenile Workers.—Persons under 21 years of age (other than apprentices or improvers) who, if females, are employed as wrappers, or, if males, are employed in (a) chipping or casting; (b) wrapping, packing, or moving material; or (c) cleaning, heating, or closing tubes, angle or bar-iron.

(3) **Overtime.**—Any employee who in any week works for any time in excess of the maximum number of hours fixed for a week's work shall be paid for such extra time at the rate of time and a quarter.

(4) **Special Rates.**—That double time shall be the special rate for all work done on Sunday, Good Friday, Eight Hours Day (21st April), Christmas Day, Boxing Day, New Year's Day, but if any other day be by Act of Parliament or Proclamation substituted for any of the above-named holidays, the special rate shall only be payable for work done on the day so substituted.

(5) **Piece-work.**—The Board determines, under the provisions of section 144 of the *Factories and Shops Act 1915*, that any employer may fix and pay piece-work prices to any person employed at any work for which the Board has fixed a minimum wage, provided that such employer shall base such piece-work prices on the earnings of an average worker working under like conditions, and such piece-work prices shall be fixed so that an average worker can earn not less than the wages rates fixed by the Board for such work.

E. NOTLEY MOORE, P.M.,
Chairman.

Melbourne, 1st March, 1920.