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Factories and Shops Acts.

DETERMINATION OF THE KNITTERS BOARD.

NOTE.—This Determination on the 2nd July, 1923, applied to the whole of Victoria.

It should be specially noted however, that on the 14th day of March, 1922, a Country Knitters Board was authorized. When the determination of that Board comes into force, the application of the two determinations will be as follows:—

The Knitters Determination will apply to the Metropolitan District as defined in the Factories and Shops Acts; the cities of Ballarat, Bendigo, Geelong, Sandringham, and Warrambol; the town of Geelong West; the boroughs of Eaglehawk, Newtown and Chilwell, and Sebastopol.

The Country Knitters Determination will apply to the whole of the State except those parts mentioned in the preceding paragraph.

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 employed in the process, trade, or business of knitting or crocheting any article for human wear," has made the following Determination, namely:—

(1) That on the 2nd July, 1923, the last previous Determination of this Board shall be revoked and replaced by this Determination.

(2)

Apprentices or Improvers.							Other Employees.	
Wages per Week of 45 Hours.								
MALES.								
Experience.	Commencing Age.						MALES.	Wages per Week of 45 Hours.
	15 years or under.	16	17	18	19	20		
	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	
1st year ..	16 0	17 6	20 0	25 0	30 0	35 0	.. ..	99 0
2nd ..	20 0	25 0	30 0	35 0	40 0	..	.. ..	88 0
3rd ..	30 0	35 0	40 0	45 0	..	..	.. ..	83 0
4th ..	40 0	45 0	50 0	..	..	..	.. ..	83 0
5th ..	50 0	55 0	..	..	..	..	.. ..	93 0
6th ..	60 0	..	..	..	..	..	.. ..	..
And thereafter the minimum wage.							Operators of Cotton's Patent Machine	83 0
							Stock cutters	88 0
							Millmen or scourers	83 0
							Operators of finishing machines	83 0
							Steam pressers	93 0
							X.L. knitters—	..
							In charge of 4 machines	83 0
							In charge of 5 machines	88 0
							In charge of 6 machines	95 0
							All others	78 0

Apprentices or Improvers.						Other Employees.	
Wages per Week of 45 Hours.							
FEMALES.							
Experience.	Commencing Age.						Wages per week of 45 hours.
	16 years or under.	17	18	19	20		
	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	FEMALES.	s. d.
1st year ..	15 0	17 6	20 0	22 6	25 0	Mounters, ironing-machinists, linkers, menders, cutters using electric knife, or knitters not provided for elsewhere in this Determination ..	44 0
2nd " ..	20 0	22 6	25 0	27 6	..	Overlockers, interlockers, seamers, examiners, folders, buttonholers, dampers, winders, or persons using irons not exceeding 8½ lbs. weight ..	42 0
3rd " ..	25 0	27 6	30 0	..	..	Operators of steam presses ..	62 0
4th " ..	30 0	32 6	..	..	..	X.L. knitters—	
5th " ..	33 0	..	..	..	..	In charge of 4 machines ..	47 0
And thereafter the minimum wage.						In charge of 5 machines ..	52 0
Proportion (within any factory or place).						In charge of 6 machines ..	62 0
MALES.						All others ..	49 0
Apprentices.							
One male apprentice to every three or fraction of three male workers receiving not less than 78s. per week of 45 hours.							
Improvers.							
One male improver to each male worker receiving not less than 78s. per week of 45 hours.							
FEMALES.							
Apprentices.							
One female apprentice to every three or fraction of three female workers receiving not less than 40s. per week of 45 hours.							
Improvers							
Two female improvers to each female worker receiving not less than 40s. per week of 45 hours.							

TIMES OF BEGINNING AND ENDING WORK

- (3) That the times of beginning and ending work shall be:—

Time of Beginning.

7.30 a.m.

Time of Ending.

10 a.m. on Saturday or the day on which the half-holiday is locally observed, and 6 p.m. on the other working days of the week.

OVERTIME.

- (4) That time and a half shall be paid for all work done—

(a) Outside the hours fixed in Clause 3.

(b) Within such hours in excess of 45 hours in any week.

SPECIAL RATES.

- (5) That double time shall be the special rate for all work done on—

Sunday,

26th January (Foundation Day),

Good Friday,

Easter Monday,

21st April (Eight Hours Day),

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 be payable only for work done on the day so substituted.

PIECE-WORK.

(6) 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 rate fixed by the Board for such work.

NOTE.—The employer shall supply all necessary materials free.

W. W. HARRIS,
Chairman.

REX L. CECIL,
Secretary.

Melbourne, 3rd May, 1923.