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Factories and Shops Acts.

DETERMINATION OF THE QUARRY BOARD.

NOTE.—This Determination on the 27th September, 1926, applied to the whole of the State of Victoria.

IN accordance with the provisions of the Factories and Shops Acts, the Wages Board which since 13th October, 1924, has had the power "to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any person or persons or classes of persons employed in—

- (1) the process, trade or business of quarrying not including agriculture ;
- (2) (a) carting or driving, or assisting in carting or driving in connexion with or incidental to the trade or business of quarrying (not including agriculture) ;
- (b) the trade of crushing stone,"

has made the following determination, namely:—

(1) That on the 27th September, 1926, the previous Determinations of the Quarry Board shall be revoked and replaced by this Determination.

(2)

Apprentices.	Improvers.	Other Employees.	Day Shift.	Afternoon or Night Shift.	Hours Per Week.
			Wages.	Wages.	
	QUARRYING.				
	Wages. Per Week.*	Wages. Per Week of 44 Hours.	Wages.	Wages.	
1st year .. 40s.	1st year .. 40s.	Powder monkey, i.e., any person using or having charge of explosives during any portion of a week	111s. 0d.	138s. 9d.	44
2nd " .. 45s.	2nd " .. 45s.	Assistant powder monkey ..	102s. 0d.	127s. 6d.	44
3rd " .. 50s.	3rd " .. 50s.	Hammerman, Dresser of pitchers or cubes, or Scabblers	109s. 0d.	136s. 3d.	44
	4th " .. 60s.	Spaller—			
	5th " .. 70s.	First six months' experience as spaller	96s. 0d.	120s. 0d.	44
		And thereafter	102s. 0d.	127s. 6d.	44
	CARTING OR DRIVING.	Faceman	102s. 0d.	127s. 6d.	44
	Wages. Per Week of 48 Hours.	Feeder of a stone crushing machine ..	98s. 0d.	122s. 6d.	44
	Under 18 years .. 65s.	Dust hole men	98s. 0d.	122s. 6d.	44
	18 and under 19 years .. 72s.	Pluggers, i.e., any person boring holes by hand or machine—12 inches or less in depth	93s. 0d.	116s. 3d.	44
	19 " 20 " .. 79s.	Exceeding 12 inches in depth	102s. 0d.	127s. 6d.	44
	20 " 21 " .. 93s. 6d.	Blacksmith	102s. 0d.	127s. 6d.	44
	PROPORTION (within any place).	Carters or drivers driving—			
One apprentice to every three or fraction of three workers receiving not less than 93s. per week.	One improver to every five or fraction of five workers receiving not less than 93s. per week of 44 hours.	One horse	93s. 6d.	116s. 9d.	48
		Two horses	98s. 6d.	123s. 0d.	48
		Three horses	100s. 6d.	125s. 6d.	48
* Apprentices shall be subject to the number of hours per week as fixed for their respective sections.		And 1s. extra per day for each additional horse.			
An indenture of apprenticeship prescribed was approved on 6th August, 1923.		Drivers of motor vehicles of the following carrying capacity—			
		Not exceeding 25 cwt.	98s. 6d.	123s. 0d.	48
		Exceeding 25 cwt. but not exceeding 3 tons	102s. 6d.	127s. 6d.	48
		Exceeding 3 tons	106s. 6d.	133s. 0d.	48
		All others	93s. 0d.	116s. 3d.	44

Where an employee is working in water, he shall, in addition to the ordinary rate, be paid 1s. per day or portion of a day extra.

(3) Shifts.—That—

(a) The hour of beginning and the hour of ending each shift shall be as follows:—

	Time of beginning.	Time of ending.
Where one shift is worked.		
Monday to Friday (Day Shift)	8 a.m.	5 p.m.
Saturday "	8 a.m.	12 noon
Where two shifts are worked.		
Monday to Saturday (Day Shift)	7 a.m.	3 p.m.
" " (Afternoon Shift)	3 p.m.	11 p.m.
Where three shifts are worked.		
Monday to Saturday (Day Shift)	7 a.m.	3 p.m.
" " (Afternoon Shift)	3 p.m.	11 p.m.
" " (Night Shift)	11 p.m.	7 a.m.

Any of the above times of beginning and ending may be varied on any job by mutual consent of the employer and the majority of the employees, but in no case shall the total length of any shift be increased.

(b) The higher rate to be paid for each hour or fraction of an hour worked by any employee before or after his shift shall be time and a half.

(4) SPECIAL RATES FOR SUNDAYS AND PUBLIC HOLIDAYS.—Time and a half shall be the special rate for all work done on Sundays Christmas Day, Boxing Day, New Year's Day, 26th January (Foundation Day), 21st April (Eight Hours Day), Good Friday, or Easter Monday; but if any other day be by Act of Parliament or Proclamation substituted for any of the above-named public holidays, the special rate shall only be payable for work done on the day so substituted.

(5) TOOLS AND APPLIANCES—

That any employee on wages rates who is called upon to supply any or all of the following Tools or appliances, viz:—

Picks, shovels, wheelbarrows, face bars, banker bars, drills, jumpers, dressing hammers, spawling hammers, striking hammers, scabbling picks, or any other tools that may be necessary for the process of quarrying, shall be paid by the employer 3d. per hour in addition to the ordinary rates fixed by this Determination.

(6) PIECE-WORK.—The lowest piece-work prices to be paid to persons engaged in the under-mentioned work shall be—

	Dressing.	Knocking Out and Dressing.
	Per Hundred.	Per Hundred.
	s. d.	s. d.
Pitchers—		
12 inches wide × 9 inches deep × 10 to 14 inches long	12 9	23 0
9 " " × 9 " " × 10 " 13 " "	10 9	20 0
9 " " × 8 " " × 10 " 13 " "	9 9	18 0
9 " " × 4 to 6 inches deep × 10 to 14 inches long	8 3	16 0
Cubes—		
4½ to 6 inches wide × 8 to 9 inches deep × 10 to 14 inches long	10 6	19 6
3½ " 6 " " × 7 inches " × 10 " 14 " "	9 6	16 6
4 " 6 " " × 5 to 6 " " × 8 " 12 " "	8 6	14 6

Pitchers or cubes restricted to any length which exceeds the average of the lengths specified in any particular item shown above shall be paid for at the rate of 1s. 6d. per hundred in addition to the respective prices specified opposite the said item.

Pitchers or cubes tied to any definite length which does not exceed the average of the lengths specified in any particular item shown above shall be paid for at the rate of 1s. per hundred in addition to the respective prices specified opposite the said item.

Pitchers or cubes tied to any definite length which exceeds the average of the lengths specified in any particular item shown above shall be paid for at the rate of 2s. 6d. per hundred in addition to the respective prices specified opposite the said item.

All stone for pitchers or cubes shall be plugged and placed on the banker ready for persons engaged knocking out and dressing.

	Knocking out and Dressing.	In all other cases.
	3d. per foot.	
	When the material is removed in a wheelbarrow to a distance of more than 50 yards.	
	Per superficial yard.	Per superficial yard.
	s. d.	s. d.
Pitcher kerb	2 2	2 1
	2 4	2 3
Stripping—		
Not exceeding 18 inches in depth	2 2	2 1
Exceeding 18 inches, but not exceeding 30 inches in depth	2 4	2 3
Per cubic yard.		
Exceeding 30 inches in depth	2 6	2 5

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Secretary.

Melbourne, 11th September, 1926