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Factories and Shops Acts.

DETERMINATION OF THE SUGAR REFINERS BOARD.

Adjusted pursuant to section 21 of the *Factories and Shops Act 1934* (No. 4275).

NOTE.—This Determination applies to the whole of the State of Victoria.

I, FRANCIS ANTHONY MARZORINI, in pursuance of the powers contained in the *Factories and Shops Acts* and in consequence of the provisions contained in a determination made on the 12th April, 1938, by the Sugar Refiners Board, and published in the *Government Gazette* on the 3rd May, 1938, hereby issue an adjusted determination showing the adjusted wages rates to be paid as from the beginning of the first pay period to commence in December, 1939, to any persons employed in connexion with the trade of sugar refining.

(1)

APPRENTICES OR IMPROVERS.			JUVENILE WORKERS.			OTHER EMPLOYEES.		
Wages per Week of 44 Hours.			Wages per Week of 44 Hours.			Wages per Week of 44 Hours.		
Age.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Adult Males.			
	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>			<i>s. d.</i>	
Under 16 years ..	19 0	19 0	19 0	19 0	Raw Sugar Store—			
16 years ..	24 10	20 8	24 10	20 8	Men unstorng ..	..	88 0
17 " ..	34 3	23 5	34 3	23 5	Men cutting in ..	..	89 0
18 " ..	44 1	28 0	44 1	28 0	Elevator attendant ..	..	87 0
19 " ..	52 3	34 2	52 3	34 2	Wash tank hands ..	..	84 0
20 " ..	61 4	41 6	61 4	41 6	Riggers ..	..	89 0
					Melting House—			
					Washing fugalmen ..	..	87 6
					Melter attendant ..	..	84 0
					Mixer ..	..	84 0
					Carbonation House—			
					Men on liquor filter presses ..	..	85 0
					Men on mud ..	..	85 0
					Leading hand ..	..	90 0
					Men on gas tank ..	..	86 0
					Men on crushing and stacking lime ..	..	84 0
					Men on washing and checking filterpress sheets ..	..	84 0
					Char End—			
					Kiln repairers ..	..	84 0
					Kiln firemen ..	..	90 0
					Wet charmen ..	..	90 0
					Char runners ..	..	90 0
					Pan Floor—			
					First sugar boilers ..	..	104 0
					Second sugar boilers ..	..	97 0
					Pan attendant, attending triple effe ..	..	84 0
					Refined sugar fugalmen ..	..	87 6
					Refined sugar fugalmen—Leading hands ..	..	90 6
					Jelly House—			
					Leading hand ..	..	87 6
					Jelly fugalmen ..	..	84 0
					Refined Sugar Store—			
					Receiving at truck yards (leading hands) ..	..	87 0
					Iceing mill attendant ..	..	84 0
					Driers (leading hand) ..	..	86 0
					Driers (others) ..	..	84 0
					Automatic scale attendant ..	..	87 0
					Leading hand packing floor ..	..	87 0
					Hand packing sugar ..	..	84 0
					Golden Syrup and Treacle—			
					Men packing and weighing (bulk) ..	..	84 0
					Golden syrup and treacle mixer ..	..	86 0
					Liquor runners ..	..	90 0
					Liquor runners—assistants ..	..	84 0
					Leading hand cleaning gang ..	..	87 0
					All others ..	..	81 0
					Adult females ..	..	44 10

PROPORTION (IN ANY PLACE).

Males.

One apprentice and one improver to every three or fraction of three workers receiving not less than the rate payable from time to time to "All others."

Females.

One apprentice and one improver to every three or fraction of three workers receiving not less than the rate payable from time to time to "Adult Females."

(2) **SHIFT WORKERS.**—The ordinary working hours of shiftworkers shall be as follows:—

Night Shift—

Time of Beginning—11 p.m. on Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday.

Time of Ending—7 a.m. on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday.

Day Shift—

7 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday.

7 a.m. to 11 a.m. on Saturdays.

Afternoon Shift—

3 p.m. to 11 p.m. on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday.

(3) **DAY WORKERS.**—From 7.30 a.m. to 4.30 p.m., with a break of one hour for a meal between 12 noon and 1 p.m. on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday, and from 7.30 a.m. to 11.30 a.m. on Saturday. When an employee is required to work between 12 noon and 1 p.m. he shall be paid time and a half for such work, and in addition shall be allowed time off for a meal.

(4) **TERMS OF EMPLOYMENT.**—"Casual Worker" means a worker employed for less than six (6) consecutive days, with a minimum of two (2) hours in any day. He shall be paid at the rate of ten per cent. (10%) in addition to the rate prescribed in this Determination on an hourly basis.

This shall not apply to a casual worker storing raw sugar. Employees, other than casual workers, who work less than 44 hours in any week, may be paid the ordinary wages rate calculated *pro rata* according to the number of hours worked.

(5) **EXTRA RATES AND ALLOWANCES.**—In addition to the wages prescribed herein, the following extra rates and allowances shall be paid to adult males:—

Any employee who works on shift shall be paid an additional allowance of 6d. per shift.

Employees classified as "All others," who are directed to enter and clean tanks, viz.:—Carbonatation tanks, house syrup tanks on roof, black boil-out tanks, extension tanks, scrubbers or crystallizers, shall receive an additional 9d. for each hour or part of an hour spent in such work.

(6) **DEFINITION OF JUVENILE WORKERS.**—Persons under 21 years of age (other than apprentices or improvers) employed turning bags, sweeping trucks, receiving and placing sacks, driving friction winches, packing sugar and sewing mouths of bags, trucking sugar, collecting samples, labelling, filling golden syrup and treacle tins.

(7) **OVERTIME.**—(a) *Workers Employed on Shifts.*—All work done in excess of eight hours per shift or in excess of 132 hours in 21 consecutive days shall be paid for at the rate of time and a half.

(b) *All Others.*—All work done in excess of eight hours in any one day or in excess of 44 hours in any one week shall be paid for at the rate of time and a half.

Any employee who is required to work overtime shall be paid the overtime rate for a minimum of half an hour.

(8) **LATE ATTENDANCE.**—Any employee arriving late to work shall have a deduction made of a quarter of an hour's pay for each quarter of an hour or portion thereof that he is late.

(9) **ANNUAL LEAVE.**—Each employee shall be allowed in each year, commencing with the year 1936, leave of absence for six consecutive working days on full pay (the equivalent of forty-four hours' pay) at the convenience of the employer in respect of service during the previous year.

Provided that where an employee has worked for a period of less than twelve months in any year such employee shall be allowed leave on a proportionate basis for each completed two months of continuous service.

Employees dismissed for misconduct or who voluntarily terminate their employment shall not be entitled to any annual leave.

(10) **SICK PAY.**—Any employee with not less than six months' service who does not attend for duty by reason of personal ill-health shall be allowed ordinary rates for the actual time of such non-attendance, provided he produces or forwards within 24 hours of the commencement of such absence evidence satisfactory to the management that his non-attendance was due to personal ill-health.

An employee shall not be entitled to any allowance on this ground for more than six days (the equivalent of 44 hours' pay) in each calendar year.

Personal ill-health does not include ill-health which is the result of an accident or ill-health the result of misconduct.

(11) **MEAL ALLOWANCE.**—A meal allowance of 1s. 6d. shall be paid to employees (other than casual employees) when required to work overtime without notice being given the day before such overtime is required, and provided a minimum of two hours' overtime is worked.

(12) **SPECIAL RATES FOR SUNDAYS AND HOLIDAYS.**—(a) All time worked except between 11 p.m. and midnight on Sundays, New Year's Day, Australia Day (26th January), Good Friday, Easter Saturday, Easter Monday, Labour Day (21st April), King's Birthday, Christmas Day, and Boxing Day shall be paid for at the rate of double time; 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.

(b) Employees (other than casual employees) shall be paid at ordinary rates for Anzac Day and the holidays set out in the preceding sub-clause although they do not work.

(13) **PIECEWORK.**—The Board determines, under the provisions of section 150 of the *Factories and Shops Act 1928* (No. 3677), that any employer may fix and pay piecework prices to any person or persons or classes of persons employed at any work for which the Board has fixed the minimum wage, provided that such employer shall base such piecework prices on the earnings of an average worker working under like conditions, and such piecework prices shall be fixed so that an average worker can earn not less than the wages that are fixed by the Board for such work.

F. A. MARZORINI,

Secretary for Labour.

Melbourne, 17th November, 1939.