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Factories and Shops Acts.

DETERMINATION OF THE ELECTRICAL TRADE BOARD.

NOTES.—(a) This Determination applies to the whole of the State of Victoria.

(b) Electrical Fitting and/or Armature Winding, Electrical Mechanics and/or Wiring were proclaimed on 17th July, 1928, as Apprenticeship Trades under the *Apprenticeship Act 1928* for the Metropolitan District.

Full particulars of the apprenticeship regulations for these trades may be obtained on application to the Secretary, Apprenticeship Commission, 103 Russell-street, Melbourne, C.I. (price 3d.).

(c) On 16th October, 1939, the Electrical Installation Board was deprived of the power to "determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any person or persons or classes of persons wheresoever employed in any business or occupation connected with the installation of electrical fittings, appliances, motors, and heaters including the laying of wires" and such power was conferred exclusively on the Electrical Trade Board.

(d) On 16th October, 1939, the Electrical Supply Board was deprived of the power to "determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any person or persons or classes of persons employed in—

- (i) the generation or distribution of electricity;
- (ii) the manufacture, repair, or maintenance of electrical appliances when such work is done by generators, distributors, or installers."

and such power was conferred exclusively on the Electrical Trade Board.

IN accordance with the provisions of the Factories and Shops Acts, the Wages Board which now has power to "determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any person or persons or classes of persons wheresoever employed :—

- (1) in any process, trade, business, or occupation connected with—
 - (a) the generation or distribution of electricity,
 - (b) the manufacture, repair, maintenance, and installation of all classes of electrical appliances, including the laying or erection of cables or wires,
 - (c) the manufacture of electrical globes and electrical valves;
- (2) in the trade of manufacturing or preparing mica products."

has made the following Determination, namely :—

1. That as from the beginning of the first pay period to commence on or after the 8th May, 1947, the last previous Determination of this Board shall be revoked and replaced by this Determination.

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Adults.	Wages per Week of 44 Hours.		
	Within a Radius of 30 Miles of G.P.O., Melbourne; 10 Miles of G.P.O., Geelong; at Warrnambool, and within Mildura and Gippsland Districts.	At Yallourn.	Other Parts of Victoria.
<i>(a) General.</i>			
Electrician in charge of electrical supply undertaking	£ 8 8 0	£ 8 14 6	£ 8 5 0
Electrical instrument maker and/or repairer (as defined)	8 2 0	8 8 6	7 19 0
Installation inspector and/or tester	7 15 0	8 1 6	7 12 0
Shift electrician	7 12 0	7 18 6	7 9 0
Refrigeration mechanic or serviceman	7 12 0	7 18 6	7 9 0
Electrician in charge of plant and/or installation	7 12 0	7 18 6	7 9 0
Electrical fitter and/or armature winder	7 12 0	7 18 6	7 9 0
Battery fitter	7 12 0	7 18 6	7 9 0
Cable joiner, on high tension (over 6,600 volts)	7 11 0	7 17 6	7 8 0
Cable joiner, on low tension (under 6,600 volts)	7 9 0	7 15 6	7 6 0
Cable joiner's mate	6 4 0	6 10 6	6 1 0
Electrical mechanic	7 12 0	7 18 6	7 9 0
Linesman	7 1 0	7 7 6	6 18 0
Linesman's assistant	6 4 0	6 10 6	6 1 0
Patrolman—			
(a) Inspecting and switching circuits, or repairing live feeders or distributors of 600 volt or over, or repairing faults on consumers' premises	7 1 0	7 7 6	6 18 0
(b) Inspecting, switching or renewing lamps or fuses on circuits, but not repairing	6 6 6	6 13 0	6 3 6
Meter tester (1st grade)	7 0 0	7 6 6	6 17 0
Meter tester (2nd grade)	6 13 0	6 19 6	6 10 0
Meter fixer	6 13 0	6 19 6	6 10 0
Switchboard attendant	6 19 6	7 6 0	6 16 6
Battery attendant	6 5 0	6 11 6	6 2 0
Electrical fitter's and mechanic's assistant	6 4 0	6 10 6	6 1 0
Process worker	6 3 0	6 9 6	6 0 0
<i>(b) Wet Battery Manufacturing.</i>			
Plante assembler	6 13 0	6 19 6	6 10 0
Battery repairer (factory)	6 10 0	6 16 6	6 7 0
Mixing and pasting by hand	6 8 0	6 14 6	6 5 0
Charging and moulding of grids	6 8 0	6 14 6	6 5 0
Group burning (placing separate chambers in batteries, burning posts to connectors on top of battery)	6 7 0	6 13 6	6 4 0
Formation process	6 5 0	6 11 6	6 2 0
All others in this subdivision	6 3 0	6 9 6	6 0 0

LEADING HANDS.

Leading hands in charge of not less than three and not more than ten employees, 6s. per week extra; more than ten and not more than twenty employees, 12s. per week extra; more than twenty employees, 18s. per week extra.

TRADESMEN IN LARGE POWER HOUSES.

Tradesmen and/or welders, and their assistants employed in large operating power houses (i.e., power houses developing more than 8,000 kilowatts), other than those not on the regular staff, engaged on new construction work, shall be paid 6s. per week extra, and other apprentices and unapprenticed juniors 3s. per week extra; such amount shall be deemed to include all special rates prescribed in clause 5.

This allowance shall continue to be payable to tradesmen attached to the staffs of such power houses while carrying out repairs or maintenance in rotary converter sub-stations which are in regular operation.

Ship Repairing.

Employees engaged on ship repairs shall be paid the following additional margins:—

	s.	d.
Tradesmen	3	0 per week.
All other labour	2	0 „ „

APPRENTICESHIP.

(Other than those covered by the Apprenticeship Commission.)

Apprenticeship Trades.

3. (a) Minors shall not be employed in the following occupations otherwise than under a contract of apprenticeship as hereinafter provided:—

Electrical fitter and/or armature winder (except the winding of armatures by specialized processes),
Electrical mechanic,
Refrigeration mechanic or serviceman.

Contract of Apprenticeship.

(b) Every contract of apprenticeship hereinafter made shall contain—

- (i) the names of the parties;
- (ii) the date of birth of the apprentice;
- (iii) a statement of the trade or trades to which the apprentice is to be bound and which he is to be taught during the course and for the purpose of the apprenticeship;
- (iv) a covenant by the master to teach and instruct or cause the apprentice to be taught or instructed in the trade to which the apprentice is bound;
- (v) the date at which the apprenticeship is to commence or from which it is to be calculated;
- (vi) all other conditions of apprenticeship.

Cancellation or Suspension of Indenture.

(c) Subject to the approval of the Secretary for Labour, but not otherwise, an indenture of apprenticeship may be suspended or cancelled—

- (i) by mutual consent;
- (ii) if through lack of orders or financial difficulties an employer is unable to find suitable employment for an apprentice and a transfer to another employer cannot be arranged;
- (iii) if, in the opinion of the Secretary for Labour, circumstances exist which render such suspension or cancellation necessary or desirable.

Any covenant in an indenture inconsistent with the provision of this clause shall be null and void, and of no force or effect, while this Determination remains in force and applies to the parties to the indenture.

Instruction in Welding.

(d) The training of apprentices to electrical fitting shall include sufficient instruction in welding to enable them to perform the work of their trade in the shop in which they are trained.

Proportion.

(e) (i) An employer shall not employ apprentices in excess of the proportion hereinafter prescribed.

Subject to this sub-clause the proportion of apprentices who may be taken by an employer shall not exceed one apprentice to every three or fraction of three tradesmen in the trade concerned.

In the trade of—

Electrical mechanic,

the proportion of apprentices who may be taken by an employer shall not exceed one apprentice for every two or fraction of two tradesmen in the trade concerned.

For the purpose of ascertaining the number of apprentices, the number of tradesmen shall be deemed to be the average number working during the immediately preceding six months, and in ascertaining such proportion an employer actually working in any workshop shall be deemed to be a tradesman.

A person who is, for a term not exceeding two years, taking practical training in a workshop in continuance of a course of training for professional work shall not be taken into account in calculating the proportion of apprentices to journeymen.

(ii) Notwithstanding anything hereinbefore provided in the trades of—

Electrical fitter,

Electrical machanic, and

Refrigeration mechanic or serviceman,

an employer may with the consent of an apprenticeship authority and upon satisfying that authority that he has the plant, equipment and staff necessary for the proper tuition of each apprentice concerned take apprentices in excess of the proportion herein prescribed. Until further order apprentices so taken shall not be counted in future calculations of the proportion of apprentices to journeymen authorized by the Determination.

Period of Apprenticeship.

(f) The periods of apprenticeship shall be as follows:—

If the apprentice, when indentured, is under the age of seventeen years—five years; if over the age of seventeen—four or five years, at the option of the contracting parties.

Adult Apprentices.

(g) Any apprentice who cannot complete his full term of apprenticeship before reaching his 22nd birthday may, by agreement with his master, serve as an apprentice until he reaches the age of 23 years.

Probationary Period.

(h) Minors may be taken on probation for three months, and if apprenticed such three months shall count as part of their period of apprenticeship. An employer shall within fourteen days of employing a probationer notify the appropriate apprenticeship authorities of the employment of such probationer to any of the trades mentioned herein.

Wages.

(i) The minimum weekly rates of wage for apprentices shall be the undermentioned percentages of the contemporaneous needs basic wage prescribed for the area in which they are employed, and in addition thereto the constant and special loadings specified, and in all contracts of apprenticeship hereafter made the employer shall covenant to pay wages of not less than such rates.

The total wages of apprentices and improvers shall be calculated to the nearest sixpence, any broken part of sixpence in the result not exceeding threepence to be disregarded.

(j) Wages per Week of 44 Hours.

				Total Wage Payable—		
		Percentage of Needs Basic Wage.	Constant Loading.	Special Loading.	Within 20 Miles of G.P.O., Melbourne; 16 Miles of G.P.O., Geelong; at Warrnambool, and within Mildura and Gippsland Districts.	Other Parts of Victoria.
					At Yallourn.	
<i>Four and Five-year Terms.</i>						
	Per Week.		Per Week.			
		s. d.	s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
1st year	22½	..	0 9	1 3 6	1 5 0	1 3 0
2nd year	30	1 0	1 0	1 12 6	1 14 0	1 11 6
3rd year	45	1 6	1 6	2 8 6	2 11 6	2 7 0
4th year	75	2 0	2 3	4 0 0	4 5 0	3 17 6
5th year	95	2 0	3 0	5 1 0	5 7 0	4 18 0
<i>Four-year Terms.—Apprenticeship commencing after the Age of 17 Years.</i>						
1st year	28	..	0 9	1 7 0	1 8 6	1 6 0
2nd year	45	1 0	1 6	2 8 0	2 11 0	2 6 6
3rd year	75	2 0	2 3	4 0 0	4 5 0	3 17 6
4th year	95	2 0	3 0	5 1 0	5 7 0	4 18 0

An employee who is under 21 years of age on the expiration of his apprenticeship and thereafter works as a minor in the occupation to which he has been apprenticed shall be paid at not less than the adult rate prescribed for that classification.

Hours.

(k) The ordinary hours of employment of apprentices shall not in each workshop exceed those of the journeymen

Overtime and Shift Work.

(l) No apprentice under the age of 18 years shall be required to work overtime or shift work unless he so desires.

No apprentice shall except in an emergency work or be required to work overtime or shift work at times which would prevent his attendance at technical school as required by any statute, Determination or regulation applicable to him.

Payment by Results.

(m) An apprentice shall not work under any system of payment by results.

Lost Time.

(n) The apprentice at the end of the calendar period of any year in which he has actually given service to the master upon less than the ordinary working days prescribed in this Determination, or in which he has unlawfully absented himself without the master's consent, shall, for every day short of the said number of working days, and for every day of such absence, serve one day, and the calendar period of the succeeding year of his service shall not be deemed to begin until the said additional day or days shall have been served. Provided that in calculating the extra time to be so served the apprentice shall be credited with time which he has worked during the relevant year in excess of his ordinary hours.

Prohibition of Premiums.

(o) An employer shall not, either directly or indirectly, or by any pretence or device receive from any person or require or permit any person to pay or give any consideration in the nature of a premium or bonus for the taking or binding of any probationer or apprentice.

Attendance at Technical Schools.

(p) Apprentices attending technical colleges or schools and presenting reports of satisfactory conduct shall be reimbursed all fees paid by them.

Annual and Sick Leave.

(q) Apprentices shall be entitled to sick and annual leave in accordance with the provisions of clauses 16 and 17 hereof respectively.

FEMALES AND UNAPPRENTICED MALE JUNIORS.

4. (a) Subject to the exceptions hereinafter provided, the minimum rates of wage for adult and junior females and for unapprenticed male juniors employed in occupations for which apprenticeship is not provided by this Determination shall be as follows:—

Wages per Week of 44 Hours.

	Percentage of Needs Basic Wage.	Constant Loading.	Total Wage Payable—		
			Within 20 Miles of G.P.O., Melbourne; 10 Miles of G.P.O., Geelong; at Warramboul, and within Mildura and Gippsland Districts.	At Yallourn.	Other Parts of Victoria.
		s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
<i>I.—Adult Females.</i>					
Under three months' experience	65	3 0	3 8 6	3 13 0	3 6 6
All others	75	3 0	3 18 6	4 3 6	3 16 6
<i>II.—Junior Females.</i>					
17 years of age and under	40	1 0	2 1 6	2 4 0	2 0 0
18 years of age	47½	1 3	2 9 0	2 12 6	2 8 0
19 years of age	55	1 6	2 17 0	3 0 6	2 15 6
20 years of age	62½	2 0	3 5 0	3 9 0	3 3 0
<i>III.—Junior Males.</i>					
Under 16 years of age	25	0 6	1 5 6	1 7 6	1 5 0
16 years of age	35	0 9	1 16 0	1 18 6	1 15 0
17 years of age	47½	1 0	2 9 0	2 12 0	2 7 6
18 years of age	60	1 0	3 1 6	3 5 6	3 0 0
19 years of age	75	2 0	3 17 6	4 2 6	3 15 6
20 years of age	90	2 0	4 13 0	4 18 6	4 10 0

Provided that the rate payable to any employee shall not, excluding the constant loading, be less than 20s.

The total wage shall be calculated to the nearest sixpence, any broken part of sixpence in the result not exceeding threepence to be disregarded.

(b) The minimum rate payable to a junior female of any age or a junior male of eighteen years or more each with less than six months' experience under this Determination shall, until he or she has had six months' experience, be 10 per cent. less than the amount represented by the percentage of the needs basic wage hereby prescribed for a junior employee of his or her age and in addition thereto the constant loading prescribed for such an employee:

Provided that this sub-clause shall not operate to reduce the rates paid to any female employee as from the beginning of the first pay period to commence in August, 1942.

Prohibited Occupations.

(c) Junior employees shall not be employed:—

if under the age of 16 years—

on oil or gas burners or fires used for heating of small articles; or
using electric arc or oxy acetylene blow pipe.

SPECIAL RATES.

5. In addition to the wages prescribed in clauses 2, 3, and 4 hereof, the following special rates and allowances shall be paid to employees, including apprentices, improvers, and unapprenticed juniors:—

Boiling-Down Works.

(a) Working in boiling-down works—1d. per hour extra.

Cold Places.

(b) Working for more than one hour in places where the temperature is reduced by artificial means below 32 degrees Fahrenheit, 1½d. per hour extra. Where the work continues for more than two hours employees shall be entitled to a rest period of twenty minutes every two hours without loss of pay.

Confined Spaces.

(c) Working in confined space (as defined), 3d. per hour extra..

Dirty Work.

- (d) Work which a foreman and workman shall agree is of an unusually dirty or offensive nature, 1½d. per hour extra.

In case of disagreement between the foreman and workman, the workman or a shop steward on his behalf shall be entitled, within 24 hours, to ask for a decision on the workman's claim by the employer's industrial officer (if there be one), or otherwise by the employer or the executive officer responsible for the management or superintendence of the plant concerned. In such case a decision shall be given on the workman's claim within 48 hours of its being asked for (unless that time expires on a non-working day in which case it shall be given during the next working day), or else the said allowance shall be paid.

In any case where an organization alleges that an employer or his representative is persistently unreasonable or capricious in relation to such claims, it shall have the right to bring such case before the Wages Board.

Height Money.

- (e) Electrical tradesmen and their assistants engaged in the erection repair and maintenance of radar or electrical equipment on masts of ships or other structures at a height in each case of 50 feet or more directly above the nearest horizontal plane shall be paid at the rate of 6s. per week extra.

Hot Places.

- (f) Working for more than one hour in the shade in places where the temperature is raised by artificial means to between 115 and 130 degrees Fahrenheit, 1½d. per hour extra; in places where the temperature exceeds 130 degrees Fahrenheit, 3d. per hour extra. Where work continues for more than two hours in temperatures exceeding 130 degrees Fahrenheit, employees shall also be entitled to twenty minutes' rest after every two hours' work without deduction of pay. The temperature shall be decided by the foreman of the work after consultation with the employees who claim the extra rate.

Lead Works.

- (g) Working in lead works—1d. per hour extra.

Meat Digestors and Oil Tanks.

- (h) Working on repairs in oil tanks or meat digestors—1½d. per hour extra. Provided that if any employee is so engaged for more than half of one day or shift he shall be paid the prescribed allowance for the whole day or shift.

Sanitary Works.

- (i) Working in sanitary works—1d. per hour extra.

Slaughtering Yards.

- (j) Working in slaughtering yards—1d. per hour extra.

Underground Mine Work.

- (k) Electricians working underground in mines shall be paid 10 per cent. extra.

Wet Places.

- (l) An employee working in any place where his clothing or boots become saturated, whether by water, oil, or otherwise, shall be paid 2d. per hour extra: provided that this extra rate shall not be payable to an employee who is provided by the employer with suitable and effective protective clothing and/or footwear: And provided further that any employee who becomes entitled to this extra rate shall be paid such extra rate for such part of the day or shift as he is required to work in wet clothing or boots.

Special Rates not Cumulative.

- (m) Where more than one of the disabilities entitling a workman to extra rates exist on the same job the employer shall be bound to pay only one rate, namely, the highest for the disabilities so prevailing.

Rates not Subject to Penalty Additions.

- (n) The special rates herein prescribed shall be paid irrespective of the times at which the work is performed, and shall not be subject to any premium or penalty additions.

TRAVELLING AND BOARD.

6. (a) An employee who on any day or from day to day is required to work at a job away from his accustomed workshop or depot shall at the direction of his employer present himself for work at such job at the usual starting time; but for all time reasonably spent in reaching and returning from such job (in excess of the time normally spent in travelling from his home to such workshop or depot and returning) he shall be paid travelling time, and also any fares reasonably incurred in excess of those normally incurred in travelling between his home and such workshop or depot.

An employee who with the approval of his employer uses his own means of transport for travelling to or from outside jobs shall be paid the amount of excess fares which he would have incurred in using public transport unless he has an arrangement with his employer for a regular allowance.

- (b) An employee—

(i) engaged in one locality to work in another; or

(ii) sent from his usual locality to another for employment which can reasonably be regarded as permanent, involving a change of residence, shall be paid travelling time whilst necessarily travelling between such localities, and, for a period not exceeding three months, expenses.

- (c) An employee sent from his usual locality to another (in circumstances other than those prescribed in sub-clause (b) hereof) and required to remain away from his usual place of abode shall be paid travelling time whilst necessarily travelling between such localities, and expenses whilst so absent from his usual locality.

- (d) The rate of pay for travelling time shall be ordinary rates, except on Sundays and holidays, when it shall be time and a half.

- (e) The maximum travelling time to be paid for shall be twelve hours out of every twenty-four hours, or when sleeping berth is provided by the employer for all-night travel, eight hours out of every twenty-four.

- (f) "Expenses" for the purpose of this clause means:—

(i) All fares reasonably incurred.

For boat travel the fares allowed shall be first-class on coastal boats, and on interstate boats where there is no second-class as distinct from steerage; and for rail travel, second-class, except where all-night travelling is involved, when they shall be first-class, with sleeping berth where available.

(ii) Reasonable expenses incurred whilst travelling, including 2s. 6d. for each meal taken.

(iii) A reasonable allowance to cover the cost incurred for board and lodging.

- (g) A camping allowance of 3s. per day for every day, including Sunday, shall be paid to employees engaged on country jobs at places where ordinary board and residence is not obtainable and camping in tents, cubicles or other temporary shelter is necessary: Provided that where cooked meals are procurable by the employee at a mess established by the employer, the amount of such country allowance shall be 9d. per day for every day, including Sunday.

- (h) Until further order an employer shall be free to engage labour on the site of a job carried on away from the workshop without payment of any travelling time or fares, unless such employee is sent from the workshop: Provided that if any employee engaged for the erection of a job had previously been engaged by the same employer in the fabrication of the job in a workshop he shall be paid fares in excess of those incurred in travelling to and from the workshop.

MOTOR ALLOWANCE REFRIGERATOR SERVICEMEN.

7. Employees engaged on repairs to refrigeration plants outside the employer's business shall be provided with means of transport by the employer, or, in the case of employees who use their own motor vehicles, shall be paid additional allowances as follows:—

	Per Week.
£ s. d.	
Motor car	2 10 0
Motor cycle and side-car	1 10 0
Motor cycle	1 0 0

HOURS OF WORK.

Day Workers.

8. (a) Subject to the exceptions hereinafter provided the ordinary hours of work shall be 44 per week to be worked in five days of 8 hours (Monday to Friday inclusive) and one day (Saturday) of 4 hours; or five days (Monday to Friday inclusive) of 8 hours 48 minutes each continuously except for meal breaks at the discretion of the employer between 7 a.m. and 5.30 p.m. on Monday to Friday inclusive, and 7 a.m. and noon on Saturday.

In localities where the recognized half-holiday is on a day other than Saturday the day so recognized may be substituted for Saturday for all the purposes of this Determination.

Provided that the spread of hours herein prescribed may be altered as to all or a section of the employees by mutual agreement between an employer and the representative of the union in that shop.

Five-Day Week.

(b) In any case in which the ordinary week's work of 44 hours can be performed in five days as aforesaid without—

- (i) detriment to the public interest;
- (ii) loss in the value of goods handled or to be handled;
- (iii) reducing the efficiency of production; or
- (iv) reducing the efficacy of the necessary service,

the employer shall on or before the 1st July, 1946, allow those employees who so desire to do so to work their ordinary hours in five days as aforesaid. Any dispute as to whether the ordinary hours of work can in any case or cases be worked in five days without detriment, loss, or reduction as aforesaid shall be determined by the Wages Board upon application made by or on behalf of the employees. Upon such an application proof that the working of a five-day week will result in such detriment, loss or reduction as aforesaid shall be upon the employer.

This sub-clause shall not apply to employees engaged on the maintenance and servicing of plant.

It is a condition of the allowing of a five-day week hereunder that if required employees shall comply with the reasonable and lawful orders of the employer as to working overtime, including the working of overtime on Saturday.

Electricians.

(c) The ordinary hours of electricians in charge of plant and/or installation shall be the same per week as the hours of the majority of the employees working with or by means of the light or heat or power in the establishment where the electrician in charge is engaged, if that number of hours is within 44 to 48 per week. If that number is below 44 or above 48 the ordinary working hours of the electrician in charge shall be 44 or 48 respectively.

SHIFT WORK.

Definitions.

9. (a) For the purposes of this clause—

"Afternoon shift" means any shift finishing after 6 p.m. and at or before midnight.

"Continuous work" means work carried on with consecutive shifts of men throughout the 24 hours of each of at least six consecutive days without interruption except during breakdowns or meal breaks or due to unavoidable causes beyond the control of the employer.

"Night shift" means any shift finishing subsequent to midnight, and at or before 8 a.m.

"Rostered shift" means a shift of which the employee concerned has had at least 48 hours' notice.

Hours—Continuous Work Shifts.

(b) This sub-clause shall apply to shift workers on continuous work as hereinbefore defined.

The ordinary hours of such shift workers shall not exceed—

- (i) 8 in any one day; or
- (ii) 48 in any one week; or
- (iii) 88 in 14 consecutive days; or
- (iv) 176 in 28 consecutive days.

Subject to the following conditions, such shift workers shall work at such times as the employer may require:—

- (i) A shift shall consist of eight hours, inclusive of crib time.
- (ii) Except at the regular change-over of shifts, an employee shall not be required to work more than one shift in each 24 hours.
- (iii) Twenty minutes shall be allowed to shift workers each shift for crib, which shall be counted as time worked.

Hours—Other than Continuous Work.

(c) This sub-clause shall apply to shift workers not upon continuous work as hereinbefore defined. The ordinary hours of such shift workers shall not exceed—

- (i) 44 in any week, to be worked in five shifts of 8 hours 48 minutes, on Monday to Friday inclusive, or five shifts of eight hours and one shift (Saturday) of four hours; or
- (ii) 88 in fourteen consecutive days, in which case an employee shall not, without payment of overtime, be required to work more than eight consecutive hours on any shift or more than six shifts in any week; or
- (iii) 132 in 21 consecutive days, in which case an employee shall not, without payment of overtime be required to work more than eight consecutive hours on any shift or more than six shifts in any week.

Such ordinary hours shall be worked continuously except for meal breaks at the discretion of the employer. An employee shall not be required to work for more than six hours without a break for a meal.

Except at regular change-over of shifts, an employee shall not be required to work more than one shift in each 24 hours.

Rosters.

(d) Shift rosters shall specify the commencing and finishing times of ordinary working hours of the respective shifts.

Variation by Agreement.

(e) The method of working shifts may in any case be varied by agreement between the employer and the accredited representative of the union to suit the circumstances of the establishment.

The time of commencing and finishing shifts once having been determined may be varied by agreement between the employer and the accredited representative of the union to suit the circumstances of the establishment, or in the absence of agreement by seven days' notice of alteration given by the employer to the employees.

Afternoon or Night Shift Allowances.

(f) Shift workers on continuous work whilst on afternoon or night shifts shall be paid 7½ per cent. more than the ordinary rates for such shifts.

Shift workers on other than continuous work whilst on afternoon or night shifts shall be paid 10 per cent. more than the ordinary rates for such shifts.

Shift workers who work on any afternoon or night shift which does not continue for at least five successive afternoons or nights in a five-day workshop or for at least six successive afternoons or nights in a six-day workshop shall be paid at the rate of time and a half.

An employee who—

- (i) during a period of engagement on shift works night shift only; or
- (ii) remains on night shift for a longer period than four consecutive weeks; or
- (iii) works on a night shift which does not rotate or alternate with another shift or with day work so as to give him at least one-third of his working time off night shift in each shift cycle,

shall during such engagement, period or cycle, be paid at the rate of time and a quarter for all time worked during ordinary working hours on such night shifts.

(f) The minimum rate to be paid to any shift worker for work performed between midnight on Friday and midnight on Saturday shall be time and a quarter. Such extra rate to be in substitution for and not cumulative upon the shift premiums prescribed in the first and second paragraphs of sub-clause (f) hereof.

Overtime.

(g) Shift workers for all time worked in excess of or outside the ordinary working hours prescribed by this Determination or on a shift other than a rostered shift shall—

- (i) if employed on continuous work be paid at the rate of double time; or
- (ii) if employed on other shift work at the rate of time and a half for the first four hours and double time thereafter, except in each case when the time is worked—
- (iii) by arrangement between the employees themselves;
- (iv) for the purpose of effecting the customary rotation of shifts; or
- (v) is due to the fact that the relief man does not come on duty at the proper time; or
- (vi) on a shift to which an employee is transferred on short notice as an alternative to standing the employee off in circumstances which would entitle the employer to deduct payment for a day in accordance with clause 15 (b) hereof.

Provided that when not less than eight hours' notice has been given to the employer by the relief man that he will be absent from work and the employee whom he should relieve is not relieved the unrelieved employee shall be paid at the rate of time and a half for the first four hours on duty after he has finished his ordinary shift and at the rate of double time thereafter except where the employee is required to continue to work on his rostered day off when he shall be paid double time.

Sundays and Holidays.

(h) Shift workers on continuous work shifts for work done on a rostered shift the major portion of which is performed on a Sunday or holiday shall be paid at the rate of time and a half.

Shift workers on other than continuous work for all time worked on a Sunday or holiday shall be paid at the rates prescribed by clause 12 of this Determination. Where shifts commence between 11 p.m. and midnight on a Sunday or holiday the time so worked before midnight shall not entitle the employee to the Sunday or holiday rate; provided that the time worked by an employee on a shift commencing before midnight on the day preceding a Sunday or holiday and extending into a Sunday or holiday shall be regarded as time worked on such Sunday or holiday.

Junior and Female Employees.

(i) Female shift workers, apprentices or juniors whilst on afternoon or night shifts shall be paid not less than the rates hereinbefore prescribed or 1s. per shift whichever is the higher.

Mixed Functions.

10. An employee engaged for more than half of one day or shift on duties carrying a higher rate than his ordinary classification shall be paid the higher rate for such day or shift. If for less than half of one day or shift he shall be paid the higher rate for the time so worked.

OVERTIME.

11. (a) For all work done outside ordinary hours the rates of pay shall be time and a half for the first four hours and double time thereafter, such double time to continue until the completion of the overtime work. Provided that in the case of an apprentice or a junior, the rate for overtime shall be not less than the rate herein prescribed or 1s. 6d. per hour whichever is the higher.

Except as provided in this sub-clause or sub-clause (b) hereof in computing overtime each days' work shall stand alone.

Rest Period After Overtime.

(b) When overtime work is necessary it shall, wherever reasonably practicable, be so arranged that employees have at least eight consecutive hours off duty between the work of successive days.

An employee (other than a casual employee) who works so much overtime between the termination of his ordinary work on one day and the commencement of his ordinary work on the next day that he has not at least eight consecutive hours off duty between those times shall, subject to this sub-clause, be released after completion of such overtime until he has had eight consecutive hours off duty without loss of pay for ordinary working time occurring during such absence.

If on the instructions of his employer such an employee resumes or continues work without having had such eight consecutive hours off duty he shall be paid at double rates until he is released from duty for such period and he shall then be entitled to be absent until he has had eight consecutive hours off duty without loss of pay for ordinary working time occurring during such absence.

Call Back.

(c) An employee recalled to work overtime after leaving his employer's business premises (whether notified before or after leaving the premises) shall be paid for a minimum of three hours' work at the appropriate rate for each time he is so recalled; provided that, except in the case of unforeseen circumstances arising, the employee shall not be required to work the full three hours if the job he was recalled to perform is completed within a shorter period. This sub-clause shall not apply in cases where it is customary for an employee to return to his employer's premises to perform a specific job outside his ordinary working hours, or where the overtime is continuous (subject to a reasonable meal break) with the completion or commencement of ordinary working time.

Overtime worked in the circumstances specified in this sub-clause shall not be regarded as overtime for the purposes of sub-clause (b) of this clause where the actual time worked is less than three hours on such recall or on each of such recalls.

Saturday Work—Five-day Week.

(d) A day worker on a five-day week required to work overtime on a Saturday shall be afforded at least three hours' work or paid for three hours at the appropriate rate except where such overtime is continuous with overtime commenced on the day previous.

Standing By.

(e) Subject to any custom now prevailing under which an employee is required regularly to hold himself in readiness for a call back, an employee required to hold himself in readiness to work after ordinary hours shall until released be paid standing-by time at ordinary rates from the time from which he is so to hold himself in readiness. Provided that the existence of a custom shall not operate to relieve an employer from paying a refrigeration serviceman the rate herein prescribed.

Meal Hours—General.

(f) For work done during meal hours and thereafter until a meal hour break is allowed time and a half rates shall be paid. An employee shall not be compelled to work for more than six hours without a break for a meal.

Meal Hours—Maintenance Employees.

(g) Subject to the provisions of the second part of sub-clause (f) of this clause an employee employed as a regular maintenance man shall work during meal breaks at the ordinary rates herein prescribed whenever instructed to do so for the purpose of making good breakdowns of plant or upon routine maintenance of plant which can only be done while such plant is idle.

Crib Time.

(h) An employee working overtime shall be allowed a crib time of twenty minutes without deduction of pay after each four such hours of overtime worked if the employee continues work after such crib time.

Provided that where a day worker on a five-day week is required to work overtime on a Saturday the first prescribed crib time shall, if occurring between 10 a.m. and 1 p.m., be paid at ordinary rates.

Unless the period of overtime is less than one and a half hours an employee before starting overtime after working ordinary hours shall be allowed a meal break of twenty minutes which shall be paid for at ordinary rates. An employer and employee may agree to any variation of this provision to meet the circumstances of the work in hand provided that the employer shall not be required to make any payment in respect of any time allowed in excess of twenty minutes.

Tea Money.

(i) An employee required to work overtime for more than two hours without being notified on the previous day or earlier that he will be so required to work shall either be supplied with a meal by the employer or paid 2s. and 1s. 3d. for each subsequent meal, but such payment need not be made to employees living in the same locality as their workshops who can reasonably return home for meals.

Unless the employer advises an employee on the previous day or earlier that the amount of overtime to be worked will necessitate the partaking of a second or subsequent meal (as the case may be) the employer shall provide such second and/or subsequent meals or make payment in lieu thereof as above prescribed.

If an employee pursuant to notice has provided a meal or meals and is not required to work overtime or is required to work less than the amount advised he shall be paid as above prescribed for meals which he has provided, but which are surplus.

Transport of Employees.

(j) When an employee, after having worked overtime, or a shift for which he has not been regularly rostered, finishes work at a time when reasonable means of transport are not available, the employer shall provide him with a conveyance to his home, or pay him his current wage for the time reasonably occupied in reaching his home.

HOLIDAYS AND SUNDAY WORK.

12. (a) Employees shall be entitled to the following public holidays without loss of pay as regards employees on weekly hiring:—New Year's Day, Australia Day, Good Friday, Easter Saturday, Easter Monday, King's Birthday, Labour Day, Anzac Day, Christmas Day, and Boxing Day, or such other day as is generally observed in the locality as a substitute for any of the said days respectively.

By agreement between any employer and his employees other days may be substituted for the said days or any of them as to such employer's undertaking.

(b) An employee not engaged on continuous work shall be paid at the rate of double time for work done on Sundays and public holidays, such double time to continue until he is relieved from duty.

Provided that where employees are necessarily engaged in repairs to or renewals of their employer's plant and machinery necessary for resumption of work the next following working day or for maintaining the continuity of electric light and power (not including the installation of new machinery) work done on holidays shall be paid for at the rate of time and a half for the first eight hours and double time thereafter.

(c) An employee, other than a casual employee, not engaged in continuous work who works on a Sunday or a public holiday and (except for meal breaks) immediately thereafter continues such work shall on being relieved from duty be entitled to be absent until he has had eight consecutive hours off duty without deduction of pay for ordinary time of duty occurring during such absence.

(d) Employees, other than on shift or engaged in maintaining the continuity of electric light and power, required to work on Sundays or public holidays shall be paid for a minimum of three hours' work.

EXTRA RATES NOT CUMULATIVE.

13. Extra rates in this Determination, except rates prescribed in clause 5 are not cumulative so as to exceed the maximum of double the ordinary rates.

PAYMENT OF WAGES.

14. (a) Wages shall be paid weekly or fortnightly.

(b) On the first pay day occurring during his employment, an employee shall be paid whatever wages are due to him up to the completion of his work on the previous day: Provided that this sub-clause shall not apply to employees of electric supply undertakings nor to employers who make a practice of allowing advances to employees approximating wages due.

(c) Upon termination of the employment wages due to an employee shall be paid to him on the day of such termination, or forwarded to him by post on the next working day.

(d) An employee kept waiting for his wages on pay day for more than a quarter of an hour after the usual time for ceasing work, shall be paid at overtime rates after that quarter hour, with a minimum of a quarter of an hour.

(e) On or prior to pay day, the employer shall state to each employee in writing the amount of wages to which he is entitled, the amount of deductions made therefrom, and the net amount being paid to him.

*CONTRACT OF EMPLOYMENT.**Weekly Employment.*

15. (a) Except as hereinafter provided employment shall be by the week. Any employee not specifically engaged as a casual employee shall be deemed to be employed by the week.

(b) Employment shall be terminated by a week's notice on either side given at any time during the week or by the payment or forfeiture of a week's wages as the case may be. This shall not affect the right of the employer to dismiss any employees without notice for malingering, inefficiency, neglect of duty, or misconduct, and in such cases the wages shall be paid up to the time of dismissal only or to deduct payment for any day the employee cannot be usefully employed because of any strike or through any breakdown in machinery or any stoppage of work by any cause for which the employer cannot reasonably be held responsible.

(c) An employee not attending for duty shall, except as provided by clause 16 hereof, lose his pay for the actual time of such non-attendance.

Casual Employment.

(d) A casual employee is one engaged and paid as such. A casual employee for working ordinary time shall be paid per hour one-fortieth of the weekly rate prescribed by this Determination for the work which he or she performs.

Late Comers.

(e) Notwithstanding anything elsewhere contained in this Determination an employer may select and utilize for timekeeping purposes any fractional or decimal proportion of an hour (not exceeding a quarter of an hour) and may apply such proportion in the calculation of the working time of employees who without reasonable cause promptly communicated to the employer, report for duty after their appointed starting times or cease duty before their appointed finishing times.

An employer who adopts a proportion for the aforesaid purpose shall apply the same proportion for the calculation of overtime.

SICK LEAVE.

16. (a) An employee on weekly hiring who is absent from his work on account of personal illness, or on account of injury by accident arising out of and in the course of his employment, shall be entitled to leave of absence, without deduction of pay, subject to the following conditions and limitations:—

- (i) He shall not be entitled to paid leave of absence for any period in respect of which he is entitled to workers' compensation.
- (ii) He shall within 24 hours of the commencement of such absence, inform the employer of his inability to attend for duty and, as far as practicable, state the nature of the injury or illness and the estimated duration of the absence.
- (iii) He shall prove to the satisfaction of his employer (or in the event of dispute the Wages Board) that he was unable on account of such illness or injury to attend for duty on the day or days for which sick leave is claimed.
- (iv) He shall not be entitled in any year (whether in the employ of one employer or of several) to leave in excess of 44 hours of working time.

For the purpose of administering paragraph (iv) of this sub-clause, an employer may, within one month of this Determination coming into operation or within two weeks of the employee entering his employment, require an employee to make a sworn declaration or other written statement as to what paid leave of absence he has had from any employer during the then current year; and upon such statement the employer shall be entitled to rely and act.

Single Day Absences.

(b) In the case of an employee who claims to be allowed paid sick leave in accordance with this clause for an absence of one day only such employee if in the year he has already been allowed paid sick leave on more than one occasion for one day only, shall not be entitled to payment for the day claimed unless he produces to the employer a certificate of a duly-qualified medical practitioner that in his, the medical practitioner's, opinion the employee was unable to attend for duty on account of personal illness or on account of injury by accident. Nothing in this sub-clause shall limit the employer's rights under sub-clause (a) (iii) hereof.

Cumulative Sick Leave.

(c) Sick leave shall accumulate from year to year so that any balance of the period specified in sub-clause (a) (iv) of this clause which has in any year not been allowed to an employee by an employer as paid sick leave may be claimed by the employee and subject to the conditions hereinbefore prescribed shall be allowed by that employer in a subsequent year without diminution of the sick leave prescribed in respect of that year. Provided that sick leave which accumulates pursuant to this sub-clause shall be available to the employee for a period of two years, but for no longer from the end of the year in which it accrues.

Attendance at Hospital, &c.

(d) Notwithstanding anything contained in sub-clause (a) hereof an employee suffering injury through an accident arising out of and in the course of his employment (not being an injury in respect of which he is entitled to workers' compensation) necessitating his attendance during working hours on a doctor, chemist, or trained nurse, or at a hospital, shall not suffer any deduction from his pay for the time (not exceeding four hours) so occupied on the day of the accident, and shall be reimbursed by the employer all expenses reasonably incurred in connexion with such attendance.

*ANNUAL LEAVE.**Period of Leave.*

17. (a) A period of fourteen consecutive days' leave shall be allowed annually to an employee after twelve months' continuous service (less the period of annual leave) as an employee on weekly hiring in any one or more of the occupations to which this Determination applies.

Seven-day Shift Workers.

(b) In addition to the leave hereinbefore prescribed seven-day shift workers, that is shift workers who are rostered to work regularly on Sundays and holidays shall be allowed seven consecutive days' leave including non-working days.

Where an employee with twelve months' continuous service is engaged for part of the twelve-monthly period as a seven-day shift worker, he shall be entitled to have the period of fourteen consecutive days' annual leave prescribed in sub-clause (a) hereof increased by half a day for each month he is continuously engaged as aforesaid.

Annual Leave Exclusive of Public Holidays.

(c) Subject to this sub-clause the annual leave prescribed by this clause shall be exclusive of any of the holidays prescribed by clause 12 of this Determination, and if any such holiday falls within an employee's period of annual leave and is observed on a day which in the case of that employee would have been an ordinary working day, there shall be added to the period of annual leave time equivalent to the ordinary time which the employee would have worked if such day had not been a holiday.

Where a holiday falls as aforesaid and the employee fails without reasonable cause proof whereof shall be upon him to attend for work at his ordinary starting time on the working day immediately following the last day of the period of his annual leave he shall not be entitled to be paid for any such holiday.

Broken Leave.

(d) The annual leave shall be given and taken in a continuous period or, if the employee and the employer so agree, in two separate periods and not otherwise.

Calculation of Continuous Service.

(e) For the purposes of this clause service shall be deemed to be continuous notwithstanding—

- (i) any interruption or termination of the employment by the employer if such interruption or termination has been made merely with the intention of avoiding obligations hereunder in respect of leave of absence;
- (ii) any absence from work on account of personal sickness or accident or on account of leave lawfully granted by the employer; or
- (iii) any absence with reasonable cause proof whereof shall be upon the employee.

In cases of personal sickness or accident or absence with reasonable cause the employee to become entitled to the benefit of this sub-clause shall inform the employer in writing if practicable within 24 hours of the commencement of such absence of his inability to attend for duty and as far as practicable the nature of the illness injury or cause and the estimated duration of his absence. A notification given by an employee pursuant to clause 16 shall be accepted as a notification under this sub-clause.

Any absence from work by reason of any cause not being a cause specified in this sub-clause shall not be deemed to break the continuity of service for the purposes of this clause unless the employer during the absence or within fourteen days of the termination of the absence notifies the employee in writing that such absence will be regarded as having broken the continuity of service.

In cases of individual absenteeism such notice shall be given in writing to the employee concerned, but in cases of concerted or collective absenteeism notice may be given to employees by the posting up of a notification in the plant, in the manner in which general notifications to employees are usually made in that plant and by posting to each union whose members have participated in such concerted or collective absenteeism a copy of same not later than the day it is posted up in the plant.

A notice to an individual employee may be given by delivering same to him personally or by posting it to his last recorded address, in which case it shall be deemed to have reached him in due course of post.

In calculating the period of twelve months' continuous service any such absence as aforesaid shall not, except to the extent of not more than fourteen days in a twelve-monthly period in the case of sickness or accident, be taken into account in calculating the period of twelve months' continuous service.

Calculation of Service.

(f) Service before the date of operation of this Determination shall be taken into consideration for the purpose of calculating annual leave, but an employee shall not be entitled to leave or payment in lieu thereof for any period in respect of which leave or a payment in lieu thereof has been allowed or made under the clause hereby revoked. Provided however, that in respect of service before the 1st January, 1946, the annual leave shall be allowed at the rate of 3½ hours for each completed one month of continuous service and in respect of service after that date at the rate of 7½ hours for each completed one month of continuous service. Any broken part of a month served before the 1st January, 1946, shall for the purposes of this clause be deemed to be service after the 1st January, 1946. The period of annual leave to be allowed under this sub-clause shall be calculated to the nearest day any broken part of a day in the result not exceeding half a day to be disregarded.

Where the employer is a successor or assignee or transferee of a business if an employee was in the employment of the employer's predecessor at the time when he became such successor or assignee or transferee the employee in respect of the period during which he was in the service of the predecessor shall for the purpose of this clause be deemed to be in the service of the employer.

Calculation of Month.

(g) For the purpose of this clause a month shall be reckoned as commencing with the beginning of the first day of the employment or period of employment in question and as ending at the beginning of the day which in the latest month in question has the same date number as that which the commencing day had in its month and if there be no such day in such subsequent month shall be reckoned as ending at the end of such subsequent month.

Leave to be Taken.

(h) The annual leave provided for by this clause shall be allowed and shall be taken and except as provided by sub-clauses (l) and (m) hereof payment shall not be made or accepted in lieu of annual leave.

Time of Taking Leave.

(i) Annual leave shall be given at a time fixed by the employer within a period not exceeding six months from the date when the right to annual leave accrued and after not less than two weeks' notice to the employee.

Leave Allowed Before Due Date.

(j) An employer may allow annual leave to an employee before the right thereto has accrued due, but where leave is taken in such a case a further period of annual leave shall not commence to accrue until after the expiration of the twelve months in respect of which annual leave had been taken before it accrued.

Where leave has been granted to an employee pursuant to this sub-clause before the right thereto has accrued due and the employee subsequently leaves or is discharged from the service of the employer before completing the twelve months' continuous service in respect of which the leave was granted the employer may for each one complete month of the qualifying period of twelve months not served by the employee deduct from whatever remuneration is payable upon the termination of the employment one-twelfth of the amount of wage paid on account of the annual leave, which amount shall not include any sums paid for any of the holidays prescribed by clause 12 of this Determination.

Payment for Period of Leave.

(k) Each employee before going on leave shall be paid two weeks' wages, except a shift worker or an employee taking his leave pursuant to sub-clause (d) of this clause either of whom shall be paid the amount of wage he would have received in respect of the ordinary time which he would have worked had he not been on leave during the relevant periods. For the purposes of this sub-clause and sub-clause (l) hereof, wages shall be at the rate prescribed by clauses 2, 3, and 4 of this Determination for the occupation in which the employee was ordinarily employed immediately prior to the commencement of his leave or the termination of his employment, as the case may be. Payment in the case of employees employed on piece or bonus work or any other system of payment by results shall be at time rates.

Proportionate Leave on Dismissal.

(l) If after one month's continuous service in any qualifying twelve-monthly period an employee lawfully leaves his employment or his employment is terminated by the employer through no fault of the employee the employee shall be paid at his ordinary rate of wage for 3½ hours in respect of each completed one month of continuous service before the 1st January, 1946, and for 7½ hours at the same rate in respect of each completed month of continuous service after that date, the service in each case being service in respect of which leave has not been granted hereunder.

Annual Close Down.

(m) Where an employer closes down his plant, or a section or sections thereof, for the purposes of allowing annual leave to all or the bulk of the employees in the plant, or section or sections concerned, the following provisions shall apply—

- (i) He may by giving not less than one month's notice of his intention so to do stand off for the duration of the close down all employees in the plant or section or sections concerned, and allow to those who are not then qualified for two full weeks' leave paid leave on a proportionate basis of one-sixth of a week's leave for each completed month of continuous service.
- (ii) An employee who has then qualified for two full weeks' leave, and has also completed a further month or more of continuous service shall be allowed his leave, and shall subject to sub-clause (f) hereof also be paid one-sixth of a week's wages in respect of each completed month of continuous service performed since the close of his last twelve-monthly qualifying period.
- (iii) The next twelve-monthly qualifying period for each employee affected by such close down shall commence from the day on which the plant, or section or sections concerned is re-opened for work.
Provided that all time during which an employee is stood off without pay for the purposes of this sub-clause shall be deemed to be time of service in the next twelve-monthly qualifying period.
- (iv) If in the first year of his service with an employer an employee is allowed proportionate annual leave under paragraph (i) hereof, and subsequently within such year lawfully leaves his employment or his employment is terminated by the employer through no fault of the employee, he shall be entitled to the benefit of sub-clause (l) of this clause subject to adjustment for any proportionate leave which he may have been allowed as aforesaid.

*MISCELLANEOUS.**Accommodation and Conveniences.—Boiling Water.*

18. (a) (i) Employers shall provide boiling water for employees at meal times.

Drinking Water.

(ii) Employers shall provide for the use of employees in workshops a sufficient supply of wholesome cool drinking water from bubble taps or other suitable drinking fountains.

First-Aid Outfit.

(iii) In each workshop, and at other places where employees are regularly employed, the employer shall provide and continuously maintain, at a place or places reasonably accessible to all employees, an efficient first-aid outfit.

Clause 8 of Chapter 9 of the Regulations under the *Factories and Shops Act 1928* requires that a first-aid ambulance chest shall be kept in some accessible place upon the premises and that such chest shall be equipped and supplied with the following articles:—

Articles.	Quantities to be Kept in Ambulance Chest—
Antiseptic solution	1 bottle
Bandages, cotton, and gauze	1 dozen assorted sizes
Castor oil	2 oz.
Iodine, tincture of	2 oz.
Manual, first-aid	1
Petrolatum, carbolyzed	1 jar
Picric acid solution, made according to the following recipe or prescription:— 1½ teaspoonfuls of powdered picric acid, 3 oz. of absolute alcohol, and 2 pints of distilled water	1 pint
Pins, safety	1 packet
Sal volatile	6 oz.
Scissors	1 pair
Tourniquet	1
Tweezers	1 pair
Cotton, absorbent	} An adequate assortment
Gauze, sterilized, plain	
Lint, absorbent	
Plaster, adhesive	

Lockers.

(iv) An employer shall at some reasonably convenient place on his premises provide a suitable locker for each employee in his workshop, or hanging facilities which afford reasonable protection for employees' clothes. In any case in which compliance with this paragraph necessitates the provision of lockers or new or improved hanging facilities, they shall be provided by the 1st July, 1946, unless the employer proves to the satisfaction of the Wages Board that he is unable by reason of shortage of material or labour or any other difficulties to provide such new or improved facilities, in which case their provision may be postponed for such period or periods as the Wages Board determines.

Washing and Sanitary Conveniences.

(v) Employers shall provide proper and sufficient washing and sanitary conveniences.

*Clothing, Equipment, and Tools.**Damage to Clothing and Tools.*

(b) (i) Compensation to the extent of the damage sustained shall be made where in the course of the work clothing or tools are damaged or destroyed by fire or molten metal or through the use of corrosive substances. Provided that the employer's liability in respect of tools shall be limited to such tools of trade as are ordinarily required for the performance of the employee's duties.

Gas Masks.

(ii) The employer shall ensure that sufficient masks are available to enable each employee when engaged on repairs to refrigeration plants outside the employer's premises, to take one with him.

Gloves.

(iii) Suitable canvas or leather gloves shall be provided by employers for employees manually hauling underground cables or ring mains and similar cables on ships and suitable gloves or pads for such other work as the foreman and employee may agree.

In case of disagreement between the foreman and workman, the workman or a shop steward on his behalf shall be entitled within 24 hours, to ask for a decision on the workman's claim by the employer's industrial officer (if there be one) or otherwise by the employer or the executive officer responsible for the management or superintendence of the plant concerned. In such case a decision shall be given on the workman's claim within 48 hours of its being asked for (unless that time expires on a non-working day, in which case it shall be given during the next working day), or else the said equipment shall be provided.

In any case where an organization alleges that an employer or his representative is persistently unreasonable or capricious in relation to such claims, it may bring such case before the Wages Board.

Goggles.

(iv) Suitable mica or other goggles shall be provided by the employer for each employee using emery wheels or where used by more than one employee such goggles shall be sterilized before being used by another employee. An employee when working on emery wheels shall wear the goggles provided for his protection.

Goggles containing celluloid shall not be considered suitable for the purposes of this provision.

Masks.

(v) Where necessary suitable masks shall be provided for employees required to use compressed air for blowing dust from electrical machinery or equipment. An employee when performing such work shall wear the mask provided for his protection. Masks containing celluloid shall not be considered suitable for the purposes of this provision.

Protective Equipment—Welding.

(vi) Employers shall provide a sufficient supply of the undermentioned equipment to enable each welder and his assistant when engaged on work necessitating its use to be supplied with same:—

- (a) Suitable asbestos sheets,
- (b) Hand screens or helmets fitted with coloured glass (or in the case of oxy-acetylene operators protective glasses with side shields),
- (c) Anti-flash goggles,
- (d) Aprons, leather sleeves and leggings (or coveralls of flame-proof material) and gauntlet gloves; and
- (e) Gum or other insulating boots when working in places so damp that danger of electric shock exists.

An employee who is pursuant to this paragraph supplied with any of the equipment specified herein shall wear or use as the case may be such equipment in such a way as to achieve the purpose for which it is supplied.

Where electric arc operators are working screens which shall be suitable and sufficient for the purpose shall be provided by the employer for the protection of employees from flash.

Safety Gear for Live Work.

(vii) Adequate safety gear (including insulating gloves, mats, and/or shields where necessary) shall be provided by employers for employees required to work on live electrical equipment.

Tools.

(viii) Until further order the employer shall provide for each employee such tools as were customarily provided at the time of the making of this Determination. The employee shall replace or pay for any tools so provided if lost through his negligence.

Tools—Electrical Trades.

(ix) An electrical trades employee shall not be required to carry tools and/or material exceeding 40 lb. in weight or 6 feet in length to or from the job.

If an electrical trades employee on jobs away from the workshop is unable to arrange suitable free storage accommodation for his tools, the employer shall upon request ensure the provision of same.

Females—Rest Period and Seats.

(c) Female employees shall be allowed a rest period of not less than ten minutes during each day or shift, to be taken during the first or second half of the day or shift as may be decided by a majority of the female employees in a shop.

When requested by employees and where practicable suitable seats shall be provided by the employer for female employees.

Ventilation.

(d) While any work is being carried on in any confined or enclosed space in which—

(i) fumes, gases, dust or vapours which may be dangerous or injurious are liable to be present or to be generated in the course of the work; or

(ii) the atmosphere may otherwise become vitiated,

the employer shall install a suction exhaust apparatus, through which by means of a power-driven fan air is drawn from the vicinity of the work in relation to which it is installed.

Where it is impracticable to install such suction exhaust apparatus the employer shall take all such steps as are necessary to ensure safe working conditions in any such confined or enclosed space.

This sub-clause shall not be deemed to be inconsistent with the Harmful Gases, Vapours, Mists, Smokes, and Dust Regulations 1945 (published in the *Victoria Government Gazette* No. 21, dated 7th February, 1945) and shall not apply to any processes or occupations to which those Regulations apply.

SHOP STEWARDS.

19. An employee appointed shop steward in the shop or department in which he is employed shall, upon notification thereof to his employer, be recognized as the accredited representative of the union to which he belongs, and he shall be allowed the necessary time during working hours to interview the employer or his representative on matters affecting employees whom he represents.

RIGHT OF ENTRY OF UNION OFFICIALS.

20. (a) For the purpose of interviewing employees on legitimate union business, a duly accredited union representative shall have the right to enter employers' premises during the midday meal break on the following conditions:—

(i) That he produces his authority to the gatekeeper or such other person as may be appointed by the employer;

(ii) That he interviews employees only at places where they are taking their meal;

(iii) That not more than one representative of each of not more than three unions be on the premises at any one time;

(iv) That no one representative visit the premises more than once in each week;

(v) That if any employer alleges that a representative is unduly interfering with his work or is creating dissatisfaction amongst his employees, or is offensive in his methods, or is committing a breach of any of the previous conditions, such employer may refuse the right of entry, but the representative shall have the right to bring such refusal before the Wages Board.

Provided that where certain employees are working under a system of shift work which precludes a representative from interviewing them during the midday meal break, the representative shall have the right to enter the employer's premises for the purpose of interviewing such employees at such time and under such conditions as to notice as may be mutually arranged by the representative and the employer or, failing agreement at such times and under such conditions as the Wages Board may decide.

(b) For the purpose of investigating complaints concerning the application of this Determination, or the employment of females upon work which is alleged to be unsuitable for females, a duly accredited union representative shall be afforded reasonable facilities for entering an employer's workshop or plant during working hours, subject to the following conditions:—

(i) That he discloses to the employer or his representative the complaint which he desires to investigate;

(ii) that he makes his investigations in the presence of the employer or his representative (if the employer so desires);

(iii) that he does not interfere with work proceeding in the workshop or plant;

(iv) that he conducts himself properly.

(c) A union representative shall be a duly accredited representative of an organization concerned if he be the holder for the time being of a certificate, signed by the general secretary of that organization and bearing the seal of that organization, in the following form, or in a form not materially differing therefrom:—

(Name of organization.)

THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT
abovenamed organization.

is a duly accredited representative of the

General Secretary.

(SEAL.)

Date—

Specimen signature of holder.
Strictly not transferable.

TIME AND WAGES BOOK.

21. (a) Each employer shall keep a record from which can be readily ascertained the name of each employee and his occupation, the hours worked each day, and the wages and allowances paid each week.

(b) The time occupied by an employee in filling in any time record or cards or in the making of records shall be treated as time of duty, but this does not apply to checking in or out when entering or leaving the employer's premises.

(c) The time and wages record shall be open for inspection to a duly accredited union official during the usual office hours at the employer's office or other convenient place. Provided that an inspection shall not be demanded unless the secretary of the union or the district secretary or organizer of any division suspects that a breach of the Determination has been committed. Provided also that only one demand for such inspection shall be made in one fortnight at the same establishment.

(d) The official making such inspection shall be entitled to take a copy of entries in a time and wages record relating to the suspected breach of the Determination.

NOTICE BOARD.

22. The employer shall permit a notice board of reasonable dimensions to be erected in a prominent position in his establishment, upon which accredited union representatives shall be permitted to post formal union notices, signed or countersigned by the representative posing same.

Any notice posted on such board not so signed or countersigned may be removed by an accredited union representative or by the employer.

DEFINITIONS.

General.

23. "Confined space" means a compartment or space, access to which is through a manhole or similar opening, or a place the dimensions of which necessitate an employee working in a stooped or otherwise cramped position, or without proper ventilation, and includes such a space—

- (i) in the case of a ship, inside complete tanks, chain lockers, and peaks; in bilges, under engine beds, under engine room and stokehold floors, or under or inside boilers;
- (ii) in the case of a locomotive, inside the barrels of boilers, fire boxes, water spaces of tenders, side tanks, bunker tanks, saddle tanks, or smoke boxes;
- (iii) in other cases, inside boilers, steam drums, mud drums, fire boxes of vertical or road vehicle boilers, furnaces, flues, combustion chambers, receivers, buoys, tanks, superheaters, or economizers.

"Process worker" means an employee engaged on—

- (i) repetition work on any automatic, semi-automatic, or single-purpose machine or any machine fitted with jigs, gauges, or other tools rendering operations mechanical (and in connexion with which he is not responsible for the setting up of the machine, nor for the dimensions of the products other than by checking with gauges, which gauges shall be either unadjustable or, if adjustable, shall not be set by the operator); or
- (ii) in the assembling of parts of mechanical appliances or other articles so made, in which no fitting or adjustment requiring skill is required; or
- (iii) in specialized processes—not requiring use of hand tools except hammers, pliers, screw-drivers, spanners and files, and such tools as are necessary for deburring or removing rags or edging;
- (iv) in the assembling of typewriters, and/or bookkeeping, and/or adding, and/or calculating, and/or duplicating machines, for the first time in Australia, but does not include tuning, and/or testing, and/or adjustment of such machines.

"Ship repairs" means—

- (i) all repair work done on ships;
- (ii) all work other than the making of spare parts and stores done in a workshop used for ship repairs only;
- (iii) work done in a workshop used for both ship repairing, general engineering, metal moulding, steel construction, and other heavy metal fabrication on which employees are engaged both on the ship and in the workshop.

"Sunday" means all time between midnight Saturday and midnight Sunday.

"Year" means the period between the 1st day of June in each year and the next 31st day of May.

"Electrical instrument maker and/or repairer" means an adult employee in an electric supply undertaking who is required to design, test, repair, and build electrical measuring and/or recording appliances and/or instruments (not including consumers meters) and carry out experiments on same in a workshop or laboratory.

"Plante assembler" means an adult male employee engaged in the building of batteries with plante, kathanode or train lighting type plates, who in the course of his work is required to burn groups or connectors.

"Electrical fitter" means a fitter mainly engaged in making, fitting, or repairing electrical machines, instruments, or appliances, who in the course of his work applies electrical knowledge.

"Electrical mechanic" means a tradesman mainly engaged on electrical installation, repair, and maintenance work.

"Shift electrician" means an electrician of at least five years' experience who is in charge of a generating station or rotary converter sub-station during his shift, and is not constantly under the supervision of a superior officer.

"Battery fitter" means an adult employee wholly engaged in the erection, overhauling, or repairing of storage batteries.

"Cable joiner" means an adult workman employed as a joiner of underground cables or employed fixing or repairing underground services in pipes.

"Meter tester—1st grade," means an adult employee engaged in the testing, adjustment, and replacement of standard parts of poly-phase electricity meters on consumers' premises and poly-phase meters in a workshop.

"Meter tester—2nd grade," means an adult employee engaged in the testing, adjustment, and replacement of standard parts of single-phase electricity meters, including testing of meters in batches in a workshop.

"Linesman" means an adult employee engaged in erecting, fixing, maintaining or repairing overhead conductors or electrical apparatus, or fixing service cut-out boxes or supports for meters.

"Linesman's assistant" means an adult employee engaged in assisting a linesman but who shall not work within 6 feet of any live conductor.

SPECIAL CONDITIONS APPLICABLE TO EMPLOYMENT IN ELECTRIC SUPPLY UNDERTAKINGS.

24. The following special conditions shall apply to all employees employed in undertakings concerned with the installation, maintenance, and supply of electric light and power;—

Leading Hands.

(a) As a proviso to "Leading Hands" in clause 2 of this Determination.

Provided that an employee detailed to act as leading hand in charge of two other adult employees working away from power station or workshop (one of whom is of the same classification as himself) shall be paid 6s. per week extra.

(a) (In lieu of clause 8 (a) of this Determination "Hours of Work")—

Day Workers.

The ordinary hours of employment shall be 44 per week, to be worked in five days of 8 hours (Monday to Friday inclusive), and one day (Saturday) of 4 hours; or five days (Monday to Friday inclusive) of 8 hours 48 minutes each; in either case, to be worked continuously except for meal breaks at the discretion of the employer between 7 a.m. and 6 p.m. on Monday to Friday inclusive, and 7 a.m. and 12.30 p.m. on Saturday; Provided that the spread of hours herein prescribed may be altered as to all or a section of the employees by mutual agreement between the employer and the union representative of the employees concerned.

By agreement between any employer and his employees, ordinary hours may be worked on the basis of 88 hours per fortnight with one week of 40 and one week of 48 hours.

Subject to the continuance of existing conditions, patrolmen not on shift work shall work the prescribed weekly hours at such hours as the employer may direct.

(b) (In lieu of clause 9 of this Determination "Shift Work")—

Shift Workers Generally.

(i) Employees working on shift work shall work such shifts as may be required not averaging more than one in each 24 hours nor averaging any number more than six for every seven days.

A shift shall consist of eight hours inclusive of such time as by mutual arrangement may be taken for meals.

The ordinary hours of shift workers shall not exceed 88 in 14 consecutive days.

For working on any Sunday or holiday shift a shift worker shall be paid time and a half for such shift.

Continuous Shift Workers.

(ii) Employees engaged on continuous work on afternoon or night shifts shall be paid 7½ per cent. extra for such shifts.

Subject to the provisions of paragraph (c) of this clause, shift workers on continuous work shall be paid at the rate of double time for all time worked in excess of shift hours, except when such overtime is due to arrangement between the employees themselves or is necessary in effecting periodical rotation of shifts, or is owing to the failure of a shift man, who should relieve, to present himself for duty at the appointed time, in which case ordinary time only shall be paid.

Non-continuous Shift Workers.

(iii) Employees engaged on non-continuous work working on afternoon or night shift which does not continue for more than three successive afternoons or nights shall be paid for such shifts at the rate of time and a half, and where such shifts continue for more than three successive afternoons or nights, at the rates prescribed by clause 9 (f) of this Determination.

Subject to the provisions of paragraph (c) of this clause, shift workers on non-continuous work shall for all time worked in excess of their ordinary hours for each shift be paid at the rate of time and a half for the first four hours and double time thereafter.

(c) The following sub-clause is added to clause 11 :—

Employees working overtime on the repair or maintenance of plant or equipment necessary for the continuity of supply of electric energy, shall be paid for all such overtime at the rate of time and a half.

(d) In lieu of clause 11 (c) :—

An employee recalled to work overtime after leaving his employer's business premises, and who returns to his home on completion of such overtime work, shall be paid for a minimum of one hour's work at the appropriate rate; and in such circumstances, time reasonably spent in getting to and from work shall be regarded as time worked.

(e) Clause 11 (h) shall not apply to employees covered by this clause.

(f) All prevailing customs for holidays or annual leave of absence shall continue until further order, providing they are not less favourable to employees than those prescribed by this Determination for employees of the same classes.

PERIODICAL ADJUSTMENT OF WAGES.

25. The wages rates set out in clause 2 are based upon the following basic wage rates and, pursuant to the provisions of section 21 of the *Factories and Shops Act 1934*, the Board hereby determines that such rates shall be automatically adjusted as prescribed by clause 26.

Basic Wage.

Place.	Needs Basic Wage (Adjustable).	Loading (Constant.)	Total Basic Wage.	Index Number Set Assigned.
	£ s. d.	s. d.	£ s. d.	
Victoria— Within 20 miles of G.P.O., Melbourne, 10 miles of G.P.O., Geelong, at Warrnambool, and within Mildura and Gippsland Districts Yallourn—6s. 6d. in excess of basic wage for Melbourne. Elsewhere—3s. less than the contemporaneous basic wage for Melbourne.	5 1 0	6 0	5 7 0	Melbourne

ADJUSTMENT OF BASIC WAGE.

26. (a) For the purposes of this Determination, the expression "Commonwealth Statistician's 'all items' retail price index numbers" or any like expression means the numbers stated to be such index numbers in any document purporting, and not proved to be wrongly so purporting, to be printed by the Commonwealth Government Printer or to be signed by or on behalf of the Commonwealth Statistician.

(b) Until the beginning of the first pay period to commence in August, 1947, the amounts of the Basic Wage shall be as prescribed in clause 25.

(c) During each future successive period beginning with the first pay period to commence in an August, a November, a February, or a May, the amount of the needs basic wage shall be adjusted by the following method, namely, by multiplying the last published Commonwealth Statistician's "all items" retail price index number by the factor .087 taken to one place of decimals, the resultant whole number being the amount of the basic wage expressed in shillings, but should the decimal number reach .5 or more the basic wage shall be taken to the next higher shilling.

The wages of adult females, junior females, and male juniors shall be the percentages of the contemporaneous needs basic wage prescribed for the area in which they are employed, and in addition thereto the constant and special loadings specified in clauses 3 and 4 of this Determination.

A. V. BARNS, J.P., Chairman.

J. W. RYAN, Secretary.

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DETERMINATION OF THE ENGRAVERS BOARD.

NOTE.—(1) This Determination applies to the whole of the State of Victoria.

(2) The Engravers Board when first constituted had power to fix rates for any person or persons, or classes of persons, employed in the process, trade, or business of a process engraver. This power was taken away by Order in Council dated 26th August, 1913.

(3) On the 2nd October, 1917, the powers of the Engravers Board were extended to enable it to fix the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any persons employed in the process, trade, business, or occupation of making (but not enamelling) metal badges.

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 employed in the process, trade, or business of an engraver or die-sinker," has made the following Determination, namely:—

1. That as from the beginning of the first pay period to commence on or after the 8th May, 1947, the last previous Determination of this Board shall be revoked and replaced by this Determination.

2.

Apprentices or Improvers.							PROPORTION (IN ANY PLACE).		
WAGES PER WEEK OF 44 HOURS.									
Apprentices.				Improvers.					
—	Weekly Rate.	War Loading.	Total Weekly Wage.	Weekly Rate.	War Loading.	Total Weekly Wage.			
	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>			
1st year's experience	15 6	0 6	16 0	26 9	0 9	27 6	One apprentice to every three or fraction of three workers receiving not less than 109s. per week.		
2nd " "	22 3	0 9	23 0	33 6	1 0	34 6	An indenture of apprenticeship prescribed was approved on 13th March, 1914.		
3rd " "	34 0	1 0	35 0	40 6	1 3	41 9			
4th " "	44 3	1 3	45 6	47 6	1 6	49 0			
5th " "	52 0	1 6	53 6	61 0	1 9	62 9			
6th " "	75 6	2 3	77 9	75 0	2 3	77 3	Improvers.		
and thereafter the minimum wage.							One improver to every four workers receiving net less than 140s. per week.		
Juvenile Workers, i.e., persons under 21 years of age (other than apprentices or improvers) cleaning, cutting out blanks, dipping, numbering, saw piercing, polishing, sand blasting, waxing, pinning up, soldering, or press working.							Other Employees.		
WAGES PER WEEK OF 44 HOURS.							WAGES PER WEEK OF 44 HOURS.		
—	Weekly Rate.	War Loading.	Total Weekly Wage.	—	Weekly Rate.	War Loading.	Total Weekly Wage.		
	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>		<i>£ s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>£ s. d.</i>		
1st year	23 3	0 9	24 0	Die-sinkers by hand ..	7 9 0	6 0	7 15 0		
2nd "	28 0	0 9	28 9	Engravers by hand ..	6 16 0	4 0	7 0 0		
3rd "	34 0	1 0	35 0	Engravers, copper plate ..	6 16 0	4 0	7 0 0		
4th "	46 0	1 6	47 6	Steel stamp cutters ..	7 0 6	4 0	7 4 6		
5th "	57 0	1 9	58 9	Pantagraph operators ..	6 5 0	3 0	6 8 0		
6th "	69 3	2 0	71 3	Badge tool-makers ..	6 1 0	3 0	6 4 0		
				Stencil plate cutters ..	5 15 0	3 0	5 18 0		
				All others ..	5 7 0	2 0	5 9 0		

TIME OF BEGINNING AND ENDING WORK.

				Time of Beginning.	Time of Ending.
3.	On the day on which the half-holiday is usually observed	..	..	7.45 a.m.	12.30 p.m.
	On the other working days of the week	..	..	7.45 a.m.	6 p.m.

OVERTIME.

4. (a) Outside the hours fixed in clause 3—
- (i) Between 10 p.m. and midnight Time and three-quarters.
 - (ii) Between midnight and 6.30 a.m. Double time.
 - (iii) Any other time outside the times of beginning and ending work Time and a half.
 - (b) Within the hours fixed in clause 3 in excess of 44 hours in any week Time and a half.

HOLIDAYS AND SUNDAY WORK.

5. Employees shall be entitled to the following public holidays without deduction of pay :—New Year's Day, Australia Day, Good Friday, Easter Saturday, Easter Monday, King's Birthday, Labour Day, Anzac Day, Christmas Day, and Boxing Day, or such other day as is generally observed in the locality as a substitute for any of the said days respectively.

In any year prior to King's Birthday where a majority of the employees in any establishment so decides, Melbourne Cup Day may be substituted for King's Birthday.

Work done on Sunday or on any of the above-mentioned holidays shall be paid for at the rate of double time.

EMPLOYMENT FOR LESS THAN FULL WEEK.

6. Subject to clause 5 persons who are employed for less than 44 hours during any week shall be paid not less than the ordinary wages rate calculated *pro rata* according to the number of hours worked.

SICK LEAVE.

7. (a) An employee on weekly hiring who is absent from his work on account of personal illness, or on account of injury by accident arising out of and in the course of his employment, shall be entitled to leave of absence without deduction of pay, subject to the following conditions and limitations :—

- (i) He shall not be entitled to paid leave of absence for any period in respect of which he is entitled to workers' compensation.
- (ii) He shall, within 24 hours of the commencement of such absence, inform the employer of his inability to attend for duty and, as far as practicable, state the nature of the injury or illness and the estimated duration of the absence.
- (iii) He shall prove to the satisfaction of his employer (or in the event of dispute the Wages Board) that he was unable on account of such illness or injury to attend for duty on the day or days for which sick leave is claimed.
- (iv) He shall not be entitled in any year (whether in the employ of one employer or of several) to leave in excess of 44 hours of working time.

For the purpose of administering paragraph (iv) of this sub-clause an employer may, within one month of this Determination coming into operation or within two weeks of the employee entering his employment, require an employee to make a sworn declaration or other written statement as to what paid leave of absence he has had from any employer during the then current year; and upon such statement the employer shall be entitled to rely and act.

Single Day Absences.

(b) In the case of an employee who claims to be allowed paid sick leave in accordance with this clause for an absence of one day only such employee if in the year he has already been allowed paid sick leave on more than one occasion for one day only, shall not be entitled to payment for the day claimed unless he produces to the employer a certificate of a duly-qualified medical practitioner that in his, the medical practitioner's, opinion, the employee was unable to attend for duty on account of personal illness or on account of injury by accident. Nothing in this sub-clause shall limit the employer's rights under sub-clause (a) (iii) hereof.

Cumulative Sick Leave.

(c) Sick leave shall accumulate from year to year so that any balance of the period specified in sub-clause (a) (iv) of this clause which has in any year not been allowed to an employee by an employer as paid sick leave may be claimed by the employee and subject to the conditions hereinbefore prescribed shall be allowed by that employer in a subsequent year without diminution of the sick leave prescribed in respect of that year. Provided that sick leave which accumulates pursuant to this sub-clause shall be available to the employee for a period of two years, but for no longer from the end of the year in which it accrues.

Attendance at Hospital, &c.

(d) Notwithstanding anything contained in sub-clause (a) hereof an employee suffering injury through an accident arising out of and in the course of his employment (not being an injury in respect of which he is entitled to workers' compensation) necessitating his attendance during working hours on a doctor, chemist, or trained nurse, or at a hospital, shall not suffer any deduction from his pay for the time (not exceeding four hours) so occupied on the day of the accident, and shall be reimbursed by the employer all expenses reasonably incurred in connexion with such attendance.

ANNUAL HOLIDAY.

8. The annual holiday shall be as prescribed by the provisions of the *Factories and Shops (Annual Holidays) Act 1946* and any amendments which may be made thereto from time to time.

DEFINITION.

9. "Year" means the period between the 1st day of June in each year and the next 31st day of May.

PERIODICAL ADJUSTMENT OF WAGES.

10. The wages rates set out in clause 2 are based upon the following basic wage rates, and, pursuant to the provisions of section 21 of the *Factories and Shops Act 1934*, the Board hereby determines that such rates shall be automatically adjusted as prescribed by clause 11. Provided that the wages of apprentices, improvers, and juveniles shall be adjusted proportionately to adjustments of the basic wage, such adjustments to be to the nearest 3d., half or less than half of 3d. to be disregarded.

Basic Wage.

Place.	Needs Basic Wage (Adjustable).	Loading (Constant).	Total Basic Wage.	Index Number Set Assigned.
	£ s. d.	s. d.	£ s. d.	
Victoria	5 1 0	6 0	5 7 0	Melbourne

ADJUSTMENT OF BASIC WAGE.

11. (a) For the purposes of this Determination the expression "Commonwealth Statistician's 'all items' retail price index numbers" or any like expression means the numbers stated to be such index numbers in any document purporting, and not proved to be wrongly so purporting, to be printed by the Commonwealth Government Printer or to be signed by or on behalf of the Commonwealth Statistician.

(b) Until the beginning of the first pay period to commence in August, 1947, the amounts of the basic wage shall be as prescribed in clause 10.

(c) During each future successive period beginning with the first pay period to commence in an August, a November, a February, or a May, the amount of the basic wage shall be adjusted by the following method, namely, by multiplying the last published Commonwealth Statistician's "all items" retail price index number by the factor .087 taken to one place of decimals, the resultant whole number being the amount of the basic wage expressed in shillings, but should the decimal number reach .5 or more the basic wage shall be taken to the next higher shilling.

A. V. BARNES, J.P., Chairman.

J. W. RYAN, Secretary.

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DETERMINATION OF THE NICKELWARE BOARD.

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

(b) On the 25th June, 1934, the Board was deprived of the power to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any person employed electroplating, grinding, polishing, or finishing articles of table ware, and such power was conferred exclusively on the Electroplaters Board.

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 persons employed in the trade of making nickel-silver articles of table ware," and whose powers were, by Order in Council dated 16th November, 1920, extended so that it may "fix the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any persons employed in the trade of making articles of table ware of any base metal," has made the following Determination, namely:—

1. That as from the beginning of the first pay period to commence on or after the 8th May, 1947, the last previous Determination of this Board shall be revoked and replaced by this Determination.

2. WAGES.

Adults.	Per Week of 44 Hours.
s. d.	
Stamper who puts in die and makes force	149 0
Repairer	149 0
Maker-up	149 0
Spinner, 1st class	142 0
Spinner (other)	127 0
Die setter	127 0
Drop hammer stamper (other than one who puts in die and makes force)	125 0
Press operator (heavy)	125 0
Press operator (light)	123 0
Pickler	124 0
Hand blanker	123 0
All others	110 0

Leading Hands.

Leading hands in charge of not less than three and not more than ten employees, 6s. per week extra; more than ten and not more than twenty employees 12s. per week extra; more than twenty employees, 18s. per week extra.

APPRENTICESHIP.

Spinner—1st Class only.

3. (i) (a) An employer shall not employ any minor in the following trade or occupation of a spinner—1st class otherwise than under a contract of apprenticeship as hereinafter provided.

Period of Apprenticeship.

(b) If the apprentice when indentured is under the age of seventeen years—five years; if over the age of seventeen years—four or five years, at the option of the contracting parties.

Contract of Apprenticeship.

(c) Every contract of apprenticeship hereinafter made shall contain—

- (i) the names of the parties;
- (ii) the date of birth of the apprentice;
- (iii) a statement of the trade or trades to which the apprentice is to be bound and which he is to be taught during the course and for the purpose of the apprenticeship;
- (iv) a covenant by the master to teach and instruct or cause the apprentice to be taught or instructed in the trade to which the apprentice is bound;
- (v) the date at which the apprenticeship is to commence or from which it is to be calculated;
- (vi) all other conditions of apprenticeship.

Cancellation or Suspension of Indentures.

(d) Subject to the approval of the Secretary for Labour but not otherwise, an indenture of apprenticeship may be suspended or cancelled—

- (i) by mutual consent;
- (ii) if through lack of orders or financial difficulties an employer is unable to find suitable employment for an apprentice and a transfer to another employer cannot be arranged;
- (iii) if in the opinion of the Secretary for Labour circumstances exist which render such suspension or cancellation necessary or desirable.

Any covenant in an indenture inconsistent with the provisions of this clause shall be null and void and of no force or effect while this Determination remains in force and applies to the parties to the indenture.

Proportion.

(e) The proportion of apprentices who may be taken by an employer shall not exceed one apprentice for every three or fraction of three tradesmen.

For the purpose of ascertaining the number of apprentices, the number of tradesmen shall be deemed to be the average number working during the immediately preceding six months, and, in ascertaining such proportion an employer actually working in any workshop shall be deemed to be a tradesman.

A person who is, for a term not exceeding two years, taking practical training in a workshop in continuance of a course of training for professional work shall not be taken into account in calculating the proportion of apprentices to journeymen.

Adult Apprentices.

(f) Any apprentice who cannot complete his full term of apprenticeship before reaching his twenty-second birthday may by agreement with his master, serve as an apprentice until he reaches the age of 23 years.

Probationary Period.

(g) Minors may be taken on probation for three months, and if apprenticed such three months shall count as part of their period of apprenticeship. An employer shall within fourteen days of employing a probationer notify the apprenticeship authorities of the employment of such probationer to any of the trades mentioned herein.

Wages.

(h) The minimum weekly rates of wage for apprentices shall be the under-mentioned percentages of the contemporaneous needs basic wage, and in addition thereto the constant and war loadings specified, and in all contracts of apprenticeship hereafter made the employer shall covenant to pay wages of not less than such rates: The total wage of apprentices shall be calculated to the nearest sixpence, any broken part of sixpence in the result not exceeding threepence to be disregarded.

Wages per Week of 44 Hours.

(i)				Percentage of Needs Basic Wage.	Constant Loading.	War Loading.	Total Wage Payable.
<i>Four and Five-year Terms.</i>							
					<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>
1st year	..	..	..	22½	..	0 9	23 6
2nd year	..	..	..	30	1 0	1 0	32 6
3rd year	..	..	..	45	1 6	1 6	48 6
4th year	..	..	..	75	2 0	2 3	80 0
5th year	..	..	..	95	2 0	3 0	101 0
<i>Four-year Terms.—Apprentices commencing after the Age of 17 Years.</i>							
1st year	..	..	..	26	..	0 9	27 0
2nd year	..	..	..	45	1 0	1 6	48 0
3rd year	..	..	..	75	2 0	2 3	80 0
4th year	..	..	..	95	2 0	3 0	101 0

An employee who is under 21 years of age on the expiration of his apprenticeship and thereafter works as a minor in the occupation to which he has been apprenticed shall be paid at not less than the adult rate prescribed for that classification.

Hours.

(j) The ordinary hours of employment of apprentices shall not in each workshop exceed those of the journeymen.

Overtime and Shift Work.

(k) No apprentice under the age of eighteen years shall be required to work overtime or shift work unless he so desires. No apprentice shall except in an emergency work or be required to work overtime or shift work at times which would prevent his attendance at technical school as required by any statute, determination, or regulation applicable to him.

Payment by Results.

(l) An apprentice shall not work under any system of payment by results.

Lost Time.

(m) The apprentice at the end of the calendar period of any year in which he has actually given service to the master upon less than the ordinary working days prescribed in this Determination, or on which he has unlawfully absented himself without the master's consent shall, for every day short of the said number of working days, and for every day of such absence, serve one day, and the calendar period of the succeeding year of his service shall not be deemed to begin until the said additional day or days shall have been served. Provided that in calculating the extra time to be so served the apprentice shall be credited with time which he has worked during the relevant year in excess of his ordinary hours.

Prohibition of Premiums.

(n) An employer shall not, either directly or indirectly, or by any pretence or device receive from any person or require or permit any person to pay or give any consideration in the nature of a premium or bonus for the taking or binding of any probationer or apprentice.

Attendance at Technical Schools.

(o) Apprentices attending technical colleges or schools and presenting reports of satisfactory conduct shall be reimbursed all fees paid by them.

Annual and Sick Leave.

(p) Apprentices shall be entitled to sick and annual leave in accordance with the provisions of clauses 14 and 15 hereof respectively.

All Classes of Work other than Spinner—1st Class.

(ii)

Apprentices.	Wages per Week of 44 Hours.	Improvers.	Wages per Week of 44 Hours.
	<i>s. d.</i>		<i>s. d.</i>
1st year—1st six months' experience ..	13 4	1st year—1st six months' experience ..	14 0
2nd six months' experience ..	14 4	2nd six months' experience ..	15 0
2nd year—1st six months' experience ..	17 1	2nd year—1st six months' experience ..	17 11
2nd six months' experience ..	18 7	2nd six months' experience ..	19 7
3rd year—1st six months' experience ..	43 6	3rd year—1st six months' experience ..	45 6
2nd six months' experience ..	47 0	2nd six months' experience ..	49 6
4th year's experience ..	63 9	4th year's experience ..	67 3
5th year's experience ..	86 3	5th year's experience ..	91 0
6th year's experience ..	102 6	6th year's experience ..	106 9
and thereafter the minimum wage		and thereafter the minimum wage	

Proportion (in any place).

Three apprentices and two improvers or two apprentices and three improvers to every three or fraction of three workers receiving not less than 110s. per week of 44 hours.

SPECIAL RATE.

4. In addition to the wages prescribed in clauses 2 and 3 hereof, the following special rate shall be paid to employees including apprentices and unapprenticed juniors :—

Wet Places.

(a) An employee working in any place where his clothing or boots become saturated whether by water, oil, or otherwise, shall be paid 2d. per hour extra; Provided that this extra rate shall not be payable to an employee who is provided by the employer with suitable and effective protective clothing and/or footwear. And provided further that any employee who becomes entitled to this extra rate shall be paid such extra rate for such part of the day or shift as he is required to work in wet clothing or boots.

Rate not Subject to Penalty Additions.

(b) The special rate herein prescribed shall be paid irrespective of the times at which the work is performed, and shall not be subject to any premium or penalty additions.

*HOURS OF WORK.**Day Workers.*

5. (a) Subject to the exceptions hereinafter provided the ordinary hours of work shall be 44 per week to be worked in five days of 8 hours (Monday to Friday inclusive) and one day (Saturday) of 4 hours; or five days (Monday to Friday inclusive) of 8 hours 48 minutes each continuously except for meal breaks at the discretion of the employer, between 7 a.m. and 5.30 p.m. on Monday to Friday inclusive, and 7 a.m. and noon on Saturday.

In localities where the recognized half-holiday is on a day other than Saturday the day so recognized may be substituted for Saturday for all the purposes of this Determination.

Provided that the spread of hours herein prescribed may be altered as to all or a section of the employees by mutual agreement between an employer and the representative of the union in that shop.

Five-Days Week.

(b) In any case in which the ordinary week's work of 44 hours can be performed in five days as aforesaid without—

- (i) detriment to the public interest;
- (ii) loss in the value of goods handled or to be handled;
- (iii) reducing the efficiency of production; or
- (iv) reducing the efficacy of the necessary service.

the employer shall on or before the 1st July, 1946, allow those employees who so desire to do so to work their ordinary hours in five days as aforesaid. Any dispute as to whether the ordinary hours of work can in any case or cases be worked in five days without detriment, loss or reduction as aforesaid shall be determined by the Wages Board upon application made by or on behalf of the employees. Upon such an application proof that the working of a five-days week will result in such detriment, loss or reduction as aforesaid shall be upon the employer.

This sub-clause shall not apply to employees engaged on the maintenance and servicing of plant.

It is a condition of the allowing of a five-day week hereunder that if required employees shall comply with the reasonable and lawful orders of the employer as to working overtime, including the working of overtime on Saturday.

SHIFT WORK.

Definitions.

6. (a) For the purposes of this clause—

"Afternoon shift" means any shift finishing after 6 p.m. and at or before midnight.

"Continuous work" means work carried on with consecutive shifts of men throughout the 24 hours of each of at least six consecutive days without interruption except during breakdowns or meal breaks or due to unavoidable causes beyond the control of the employer.

"Night shift" means any shift finishing subsequent to midnight and at or before 8 a.m.

"Rostered shift" means a shift of which the employee concerned has had at least 48 hours' notice.

Hours—Continuous Work Shifts.

(b) This sub-clause shall apply to shift workers on continuous work as hereinbefore defined. The ordinary hours of such shift workers shall not exceed—

- (i) 8 in any one day; or
- (ii) 48 in any one week; or
- (iii) 88 in 14 consecutive days; or
- (iv) 176 in 28 consecutive days.

Subject to the following conditions such shift workers shall work at such times as the employer may require—

- (i) a shift shall consist of eight hours, inclusive of crib time;
- (ii) except at the regular change-over of shifts, an employee shall not be required to work more than one shift in each 24 hours;
- (iii) twenty minutes shall be allowed to shift workers each shift for crib which shall be counted as time worked.

Hours—Other than Continuous Work.

(c) This sub-clause shall apply to shift workers not upon continuous work as hereinbefore defined. The ordinary hours of such shift workers shall not exceed—

- (i) 44 in any week to be worked in five shifts of 8 hours 48 minutes, on Monday to Friday inclusive or five shifts of 8 hours and one shift (Saturday) of 4 hours, or
- (ii) 88 in fourteen consecutive days in which case an employee shall not, without payment for overtime, be required to work more than eight consecutive hours on any shift or more than six shifts in any week, or
- (iii) 132 in 21 consecutive days in which case an employee shall not, without payment of overtime, be required to work more than eight consecutive hours on any shift or more than six shifts in any week.

Such ordinary hours shall be worked continuously except for meal breaks at the discretion of the employer. An employee shall not be required to work for more than six hours without a break for a meal.

Except at regular change over of shifts an employee shall not be required to work more than one shift in each 24 hours.

Rosters.

(d) Shift rosters shall specify the commencing and finishing times of ordinary working hours of the respective shifts.

Variation by Agreement.

(e) The method of working shifts may in any case be varied by agreement between the employer and the accredited representative of the union to suit the circumstances of the establishment.

The time of commencing and finishing shifts once having been determined may be varied by agreement between the employer and the accredited representative of the union to suit the circumstances of the establishment, or in the absence of agreement by seven days' notice of alteration given by the employer to the employees.

Afternoon or Night Shift Allowances.

(f) Shift workers on continuous work whilst on afternoon or night shifts shall be paid $7\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. more than the ordinary rates for such shifts.

Shift workers on other than continuous work whilst on afternoon or night shifts shall be paid 10 per cent. more than the ordinary rates for such shifts.

Shift workers who work on any afternoon or night shift which does not continue for at least five successive afternoons or nights in a five-day workshop or for at least six successive afternoons or nights in a six-day workshop shall be paid at the rate of time and a half.

An employee who—

- (i) during a period of engagement on shift works night shift only; or
- (ii) remains on night shift for a longer period than four consecutive weeks; or
- (iii) works on a night shift which does not rotate or alternate with another shift or with day work so as to give him at least one-third of his working time off night shift in each shift cycle,

shall during such engagement, period or cycle, be paid at the rate of time and a quarter for all time worked during ordinary working hours on such night shifts.

(fi) The minimum rate to be paid to any shift worker for work performed between midnight on Friday and midnight on Saturday shall be time and a quarter. Such extra rate to be in substitution for and not cumulative upon the shift premiums prescribed in the first and second paragraphs of sub-clause (f) hereof.

Overtime.

(g) Shift workers for all time worked in excess of or outside the ordinary working hours prescribed by this Determination or on a shift other than a rostered shift shall—

- (i) if employed on continuous work be paid at the rate of double time; or
- (ii) if employed on other shift work at the rate of time and a half for the first four hours and double time thereafter, except in each case when the time is worked—
- (iii) by arrangement between the employees themselves;
- (iv) for the purpose of effecting the customary rotation of shifts; or
- (v) is due to the fact that the relief man does not come on duty at the proper time; or
- (vi) on a shift to which an employee is transferred on short notice as an alternative to standing the employee off in circumstances which would entitle the employer to deduct payment for a day in accordance with clause 13 (b) hereof.

Provided that when not less than 8 hours' notice has been given to the employer by the relief man that he will be absent from work and the employee whom he should relieve is not relieved the unrelieved employee shall be paid at the rate of time and a half for the first four hours on duty after he had finished his ordinary shift and at the rate of double time thereafter except where the employee is required to continue to work on his rostered day off when he shall be paid double time.

Sundays and Holidays.

(h) Shift workers on continuous work shifts for work done on a rostered shift the major portion of which is performed on a Sunday or holiday shall be paid at the rate of time and a half.

Shift workers on other than continuous work for all time worked on a Sunday or holiday shall be paid at the rates prescribed by clause 9 of this Determination. Where shifts commence between 11 p.m. and midnight on a Sunday or holiday the time so worked before midnight shall not entitle the employee to the Sunday or holiday rate; provided that the time worked by an employee on a shift commencing before midnight on the day preceding a Sunday or holiday and extending into a Sunday or holiday shall be regarded as time worked on such Sunday or holiday.

Junior Employees.

(i) Apprentices or juniors whilst on afternoon or night shifts shall be paid not less than the rates hereinbefore prescribed or 1s. per shift whichever is the higher.

MIXED FUNCTIONS.

7. An employee engaged for more than half of one day or shift on duties carrying a higher rate than his ordinary classification shall be paid the higher rate for such day of shift. If for less than half of one day or shift he shall be paid the higher rate for the time so worked.

OVERTIME.

8. (a) For all work done outside ordinary hours the rates of pay shall be time and a half for the first four hours and double time thereafter, such double time to continue until the completion of the overtime work. Provided that in the case of an apprentice or a junior, he rate for overtime shall be not less than the rate herein prescribed or 1s. 6d. per hour, whichever is the higher.

Except as provided in this sub-clause or sub-clause (b) hereof in computing overtime each day's work shall stand alone.

Rest Period After Overtime.

(b) When overtime work is necessary it shall, wherever reasonably practicable, be so arranged that employees have at least eight consecutive hours off duty between the work of successive days.

An employee (other than a casual employee) who works so much overtime between the termination of his ordinary work on one day and the commencement of his ordinary work on the next day that he has not at least eight consecutive hours off duty between those times shall, subject to this sub-clause, be released after completion of such overtime until he has had eight consecutive hours off duty without loss of pay for ordinary working time occurring during such absence.

If on the instructions of his employer such an employee resumes or continues work without having had such eight consecutive hours off duty he shall be paid at double rates until he is released from duty for such period and he shall then be entitled to be absent until he has had eight consecutive hours off duty without loss of pay for ordinary working time occurring during such absence.

Call Back.

(c) An employee recalled to work overtime after leaving his employer's business premises (whether notified before or after leaving the premises) shall be paid for a minimum of three hours' work at the appropriate rate for each time he is so recalled; provided that, except in the case of unforeseen circumstances arising, the employee shall not be required to work the full three hours if the job he was recalled to perform is completed within a shorter period. This sub-clause shall not apply in cases where it is customary for an employee to return to his employer's premises to perform a specific job outside his ordinary working hours, or where the overtime is continuous (subject to a reasonable meal break) with the completion or commencement of ordinary working time.

Overtime worked in the circumstances specified in this sub-clause shall not be regarded as overtime for the purposes of sub-clause (b) of this clause where the actual time worked is less than three hours on such recall or on each of such recalls.

Saturday Work—Five-days Week.

(d) A day worker on a five-days week required to work overtime on a Saturday shall be afforded at least three hours' work or paid for three hours at the appropriate rate except where such overtime is continuous with overtime commenced on the day previous.

Standing By.

(e) Subject to any custom now prevailing under which an employee is required regularly to hold himself in readiness for a call back, an employee required to hold himself in readiness to work after ordinary hours shall until released be paid standing-by time at ordinary rates from the time from which he is so to hold himself in readiness.

Meal Hours—General.

(f) For work done during meal hours and thereafter until a meal-hour break is allowed time and a half rates shall be paid. An employee shall not be compelled to work for more than six hours without a break for a meal.

Meal Hours—Maintenance Employees.

(g) Subject to the provisions of the second part of sub-clause (f) of this clause an employee employed as a regular maintenance man shall work during meal breaks at the ordinary rates herein prescribed whenever instructed to do so for the purpose of making good break-downs of plant or upon routine maintenance of plant which can only be done while such plant is idle.

Crib Time.

(h) An employee working overtime shall be allowed a crib time of twenty minutes without deduction of pay after each four hours of overtime worked if the employee continues work after such crib time.

Provided that where a day worker on a five-days week is required to work overtime on a Saturday the first prescribed crib time shall, if occurring between 10 a.m. and 1 p.m., be paid at ordinary rates.

Unless the period of overtime is less than one and a half hours an employee before starting overtime after working ordinary hours shall be allowed a meal break of twenty minutes which shall be paid for at ordinary rates. An employer and employee may agree to any variation of this provision to meet the circumstances of the work in hand provided that the employer shall not be required to make any payment in respect of any time allowed in excess of twenty minutes.

Tea Money.

(i) An employee required to work overtime for more than two hours without being notified on the previous day or earlier that he will be so required to work shall either be supplied with a meal by the employer or paid 2s., and 1s. 3d. for each subsequent meal, but such payment need not be made to employees living in the same locality as their workshops who can reasonably return home for meals.

Unless the employer advises an employee on the previous day or earlier that the amount of overtime to be worked will necessitate the partaking of a second or subsequent meal (as the case may be) the employer shall provide such second and/or subsequent meals or make payment in lieu thereof as above prescribed.

If an employee pursuant to notice has provided a meal or meals and is not required to work overtime or is required to work less than the amount advised he shall be paid as above prescribed for meals which he has provided, but which are surplus.

Transport of Employees.

(j) When an employee, after having worked overtime, or a shift for which he has not been regularly rostered, finishes work at a time when reasonable means of transport are not available, the employer shall provide him with a conveyance to his home, or pay him his current wage for the time reasonably occupied in reaching his home.

HOLIDAYS AND SUNDAY WORK.

9. (a) Employees shall be entitled to the following public holidays without loss of pay as regards employees on weekly hiring:—New Year's Day, Australia Day, Good Friday, Easter Saturday, Easter Monday, King's Birthday, Labour Day, Anzac Day, Christmas Day, and Boxing Day, or such other day as is generally observed in the locality as a substitute for any of the said days respectively.

By agreement between any employer and his employees other days may be substituted for the said days or any of them as to such employer's undertaking.

(b) An employee not engaged on continuous work shall be paid at the rate of double time for work done on Sundays and public holidays, such double time to continue until he is relieved from duty.

Provided that where employees are necessarily engaged in repairs to or renewals of their employer's plant and machinery necessary for resumption of work the next following working day, work done on holidays shall be paid for at the rate of time and a half for the first eight hours and double time thereafter.

(c) An employee, other than a casual employee, not engaged in continuous work who works on a Sunday or a public holiday and (except for meal breaks) immediately thereafter continues such work, shall on being relieved from duty be entitled to be absent until he has had eight consecutive hours off duty, without deduction of pay for ordinary time of duty occurring during such absence.

(d) Employees, other than on shift, required to work on Sundays or public holidays shall be paid for a minimum of three hours' work.

PIECE-WORK RATES.

10. Subject to the minimum wages herein prescribed, an employer may remunerate any of his employees under any system of payment by results.

EXTRA RATES NOT CUMULATIVE.

11. Extra rates in this Determination, except rates prescribed in clause 4, are not cumulative so as to exceed the maximum of double the ordinary rates.

PAYMENT OF WAGES.

12. (a) Wages shall be paid weekly or fortnightly.

(b) On the first pay day occurring during his employment, an employee shall be paid whatever wages are due to him up to the completion of his work on the previous day. Provided that this sub-clause shall not apply to employers who make a practice of allowing advances to employees approximating wages due.

(c) Upon termination of the employment, wages due to an employee shall be paid to him on the day of such termination, or forwarded to him by post on the next working day.

(d) An employee kept waiting for his wages on pay day for more than a quarter of an hour after the usual time for ceasing work, shall be paid at overtime rates after that quarter-hour, with a minimum of a quarter of an hour.

(e) On or prior to pay day, the employer shall state to each employee in writing the amount of wages to which he is entitled the amount of deductions made therefrom, and the net amount being paid to him.

CONTRACT OF EMPLOYMENT.

Weekly Employment.

13. (a) Except as hereinafter provided, employment shall be by the week. Any employee not specifically engaged as a casual employee shall be deemed to be employed by the week.

(b) Employment shall be terminated by a week's notice on either side given at any time during the week or by the payment or forfeiture of a week's wages as the case may be. This shall not effect the right of the employer to dismiss any employees without notice for malingering, inefficiency, neglect of duty or misconduct, and in such cases the wages shall be paid up to the time of dismissal only or to deduct payment for any day the employee cannot be usefully employed because of a strike or through any break-down in machinery or any stoppage of work by any cause for which the employer cannot reasonably be held responsible.

(c) An employee not attending for duty shall, except as provided by clause 14 hereof, lose his pay for the actual time of such non-attendance.

Casual Employment.

(d) A casual employee is one engaged and paid as such. A casual employee for working ordinary time shall be paid per hour one-fortieth of the weekly rate prescribed by this Determination for the work which he performs.

Late Comers.

(e) Notwithstanding anything elsewhere contained in this Determination an employer may select and utilize for time-keeping purposes any fractional or decimal proportion of an hour (not exceeding a quarter of an hour) and may apply such proportion in the calculation of the working time of employees who without reasonable cause promptly communicated to the employer, report for duty after their appointed starting times or cease duty before their appointed finishing times.

An employer who adopts a proportion for the aforesaid purpose shall apply the same proportion for the calculation of overtime.

SICK LEAVE.

14. (a) An employee on weekly hiring who is absent from his work on account of personal illness, or on account of injury by accident arising out of and in the course of his employment, shall be entitled to leave of absence, without deduction of pay, subject to the following conditions and limitations:—

(i) He shall not be entitled to paid leave of absence for any period in respect of which he is entitled to workers' compensation.

(ii) He shall, within 24 hours of the commencement of such absence, inform the employer of his inability to attend for duty and, as far as practicable, state the nature of the injury or illness and the estimated duration of the absence.

(iii) He shall prove to the satisfaction of his employer (or in the event of dispute, the Wages Board) that he was unable on account of such illness or injury to attend for duty on the day or days for which sick leave is claimed.

(iv) He shall not be entitled in any year (whether in the employ of one employer or of several) to leave in excess of 44 hours of working time.

For the purpose of administering paragraph (iv) of this sub-clause an employer may within one month of this Determination coming into operation or within two weeks of the employee entering his employment require an employee to make a sworn declaration or other written statement as to what paid leave of absence he has had from any employer during the then current year, and upon such statement the employer shall be entitled to rely and act.

Single Day Absences.

(b) In the case of an employee who claims to be allowed paid sick leave in accordance with this clause for an absence of one day only such employee if in the year he has already been allowed paid sick leave on more than one occasion for one day only, shall not be entitled to payment for the day claimed unless he produces to the employer a certificate of a duly-qualified medical practitioner that in his, the medical practitioner's, opinion the employee was unable to attend for duty on account of personal illness or on account of injury by accident. Nothing in this sub-clause shall limit the employer's rights under sub-clause (a) (iii) hereof.

Cumulative Sick Leave.

(c) Sick leave shall accumulate from year to year so that any balance of the period specified in sub-clause (a) (iv) of this clause which has in any year not been allowed to an employee by an employer as paid sick leave may be claimed by the employee and subject to the conditions hereinbefore prescribed shall be allowed by that employer in a subsequent year without diminution of the sick leave prescribed in respect of that year. Provided that sick leave which accumulates pursuant to this sub-clause shall be available to the employee for a period of two years, but for no longer from the end of the year in which it accrues.

Attendance at Hospital, &c.

(d) Notwithstanding anything contained in sub-clause (a) hereof an employee suffering injury through an accident arising out of and in the course of his employment (not being an injury in respect of which he is entitled to workers' compensation) necessitating his attendance during working hours on a doctor, chemist or trained nurse, or at a hospital, shall not suffer any deduction from his pay for the time (not exceeding four hours) so occupied on the day of the accident, and shall be reimbursed by the employer all expenses reasonably incurred in connexion with such attendance.

*ANNUAL LEAVE.**Period of Leave.*

15. (a) A period of fourteen consecutive days' leave shall be allowed annually to an employee after twelve months' continuous service (less the period of annual leave) as an employee on weekly hiring in any one or more of the occupations to which this Determination applies.

Seven-day Shift Workers.

(b) In addition to the leave hereinbefore prescribed seven-day shift workers, that is shift workers who are rostered to work regularly on Sundays and holidays shall be allowed seven consecutive days' leave including non-working days.

Where an employee with twelve months' continuous service is engaged for part of the twelve-monthly period as a seven-day shift worker, he shall be entitled to have the period of fourteen consecutive days' annual leave prescribed in sub-clause (a) hereof increased by half a day for each month he is continuously engaged as aforesaid.

Annual Leave Exclusive of Public Holidays.

(c) Subject to this sub-clause the annual leave prescribed by this clause shall be exclusive of any of the holidays prescribed by clause 9 of this Determination, and if any such holiday falls within an employee's period of annual leave and is observed on a day which in the case of that employee would have been an ordinary working day, there shall be added to the period of annual leave time equivalent to the ordinary time which the employee would have worked if such day had not been a holiday.

Where a holiday falls as aforesaid and the employee fails without reasonable cause proof whereof shall be upon him to attend for work at his ordinary starting time on the working day immediately following the last day of the period of his annual leave he shall not be entitled to be paid for any such holiday.

Broken Leave.

(d) The annual leave shall be given and taken in a continuous period or, if the employee and the employer so agree, in two separate periods and not otherwise.

Calculation of Continuous Service.

(e) For the purposes of this clause service shall be deemed to be continuous notwithstanding—

- (i) any interruption or termination of the employment by the employer if such interruption or termination has been made merely with the intention of avoiding obligations hereunder in respect of leave of absence;
- (ii) any absence from work on account of personal sickness or accident or on account of leave lawfully granted by the employer; or
- (iii) any absence with reasonable cause proof whereof shall be upon the employee.

In cases of personal sickness or accident or absence with reasonable cause the employee to become entitled to the benefit of this sub-clause shall inform the employer in writing if practicable within 24 hours of the commencement of such absence of his inability to attend for duty and as far as practicable the nature of the illness, injury or cause and the estimated duration of his absence. A notification given by an employee pursuant to clause 14 shall be accepted as a notification under this sub-clause.

Any absence from work by reason of any cause not being a cause specified in this sub-clause shall not be deemed to break the continuity of service for the purposes of this clause unless the employer during the absence or within fourteen days of the termination of the absence notifies the employee in writing that such absence will be regarded as having broken the continuity of service.

In cases of individual absenteeism such notice shall be given in writing to the employee concerned, but in cases of concerted or collective absenteeism notice may be given to employees by the posting up of a notification in the plant, in the manner in which general notifications to employees are usually made in that plant and by posting to each union whose members have participated in such concerted or collective absenteeism a copy of same not later than the day it is posted up in the plant.

A notice to an individual employee may be given by delivering same to him personally or by posting it to his last recorded address, in which case it shall be deemed to have reached him in due course of post.

In calculating the period of twelve months' continuous service any such absence as aforesaid shall not, except to the extent of not more than fourteen days in a twelve-monthly period in the case of sickness or accident, be taken into account in calculating the period of twelve months' continuous service.

Calculation of Service.

(f) Service before the date of operation of this Determination shall be taken into consideration for the purpose of calculating annual leave, but an employee shall not be entitled to leave or payment in lieu thereof for any period in respect of which leave or a payment in lieu thereof has been allowed or made under the clause hereby revoked. Provided however, that in respect of service before the 1st January, 1946, the annual leave shall be allowed at the rate of $3\frac{1}{2}$ hours for each completed one month of continuous service and in respect of service after that date at the rate of $7\frac{1}{2}$ hours for each completed one month of continuous service. Any broken part of a month served before the 1st January, 1946, shall for the purposes of this clause be deemed to be service after the 1st January, 1946. The period of annual leave to be allowed under this sub-clause shall be calculated to the nearest day any broken part of a day in the result not exceeding half a day to be disregarded.

Where the employer is a successor or assignee or transferee of a business if an employee was in the employment of the employer's predecessor at the time when he became such successor or assignee or transferee the employee in respect of the period during which he was in the service of the predecessor shall for the purpose of this clause be deemed to be in the service of the employer.

Calculation of Month.

(g) For the purpose of this clause a month shall be reckoned as commencing with the beginning of the first day of the employment or period of employment in question and as ending at the beginning of the day which in the latest month in question has the same date number as that which the commencing day had in its month and if there be no such day in such subsequent month shall be reckoned as ending at the end of such subsequent month.

Leave to be Taken.

(h) The annual leave provided for by this clause shall be allowed and shall be taken and except as provided by sub-clauses (l) and (m) hereof payment shall not be made or accepted in lieu of annual leave.

Time of Taking Leave.

(i) Annual leave shall be given at a time fixed by the employer within a period not exceeding six months from the date when the right to annual leave accrued and after not less than two weeks' notice to the employee.

Leave Allowed Before Due Date.

(j) An employer may allow annual leave to an employee before the right thereto has accrued due, but where leave is taken in such a case a further period of annual leave shall not commence to accrue until after the expiration of the twelve months in respect of which annual leave had been taken before it accrued.

Where leave has been granted to an employee pursuant to this sub-clause before the right thereto has accrued due and the employee subsequently leaves or is discharged from the service of the employer before completing the twelve months' continuous service in respect of which the leave was granted the employer may for each one complete month of the qualifying period of twelve months not served by the employee deduct from whatever remuneration is payable upon the termination of the employment one-twelfth of the amount of wage paid on account of the annual leave, which amount shall not include any sums paid for any of the holidays prescribed by clause 9 of this Determination.

Payment for Period of Leave.

(k) Each employee before going on leave shall be paid two weeks' wages, except a shift worker or an employee taking his leave pursuant to sub-clause (d) of this clause either of whom shall be paid the amount of wage he would have received in respect of the ordinary time which he would have worked had he not been on leave during the relevant periods. For the purposes of this sub-clause and sub-clause (l) hereof, wages shall be at the rate prescribed by clauses 2 and 3 of this Determination for the occupation in which the employee was ordinarily employed immediately prior to the commencement of his leave or the termination of his employment, as the case may be. Payment in the case of employees employed on piece or bonus work or any other system of payment by results shall be at time rates.

Proportionate Leave on Dismissal.

(l) If after one month's continuous service in any qualifying twelve-monthly period an employee lawfully leaves his employment or his employment is terminated by the employer through no fault of the employee, the employee shall be paid at his ordinary rate of wage for $3\frac{1}{2}$ hours in respect of each completed one month of continuous service before the 1st January, 1946, and for $7\frac{1}{2}$ hours at the same rate in respect of each completed month of continuous service after that date, the service in each case being service in respect of which leave has not been granted hereunder.

Annual Close Down.

(m) Where an employer closes down his plant, or a section or sections thereof, for the purposes of allowing annual leave to all or the bulk of the employees in the plant, or section or sections concerned, the following provisions shall apply—

- (i) He may by giving not less than one month's notice of his intention so to do stand off for the duration of the close down all employees in the plant or section or sections concerned, and allow to those who are not then qualified for two full weeks' leave paid leave on a proportionate basis of one-sixth of a week's leave for each completed month of continuous service.
- (ii) An employee who has then qualified for two full weeks' leave, and has also completed a further month or more of continuous service shall be allowed his leave, and shall subject to sub-clause (f) hereof also be paid one-sixth of a week's wages in respect of each completed month of continuous service performed since the close of his last twelve-monthly qualifying period.
- (iii) The next twelve-monthly qualifying period for each employee affected by such close down shall commence from the day on which the plant, or section or sections concerned is re-opened for work. Provided that all time during which an employee is stood off without pay for the purposes of this sub-clause shall be deemed to be time of service in the next twelve monthly qualifying period.
- (iv) If in the first year of his service with an employer an employee is allowed proportionate annual leave under paragraph (i) hereof, and subsequently within such year lawfully leaves his employment or his employment is terminated by the employer through no fault of the employee, he shall be entitled to the benefit of sub-clause (l) of this clause subject to adjustment for any proportionate leave which he may have been allowed as aforesaid.

MISCELLANEOUS.*Accommodation and Conveniences.**Boiling Water.*

16. (a) (i) Employers shall provide boiling water for employees at meal times.

Drinking Water.

- (ii) Employers shall provide for the use of employees in workshops a sufficient supply of wholesome cool drinking water from bubble taps or other suitable drinking fountains.

First-Aid Outfit.

- (iii) In each workshop, and at other places where employees are regularly employed, the employer shall provide and continuously maintain at a place or places reasonably accessible to all employees an efficient First-Aid Outfit.

Clause 8 of Chapter 9 of the Regulations under the *Factories and Shops Act 1928* requires that a first-aid ambulance chest shall be kept in some accessible place upon the premises, and that such chest shall be equipped and supplied with the following articles:—

Articles.	Quantities to be kept in Ambulance Chest—
Antiseptic solution	1 bottle
Bandages, cotton and gauze	1 dozen assorted sizes
Castor oil	2 oz.
Iodine, tincture of	2 oz.
Manual, first-aid	1
Petrolatum, carbolized	1 jar
Picric acid solution, made according to the following recipe or prescription:— 1½ teaspoonfuls of powdered picric acid, 3 oz. of absolute alcohol, and 2 pints of distilled water	1 pint
Pins, safety	1 packet
Sal volatile	6 oz.
Scissors	1 pair
Tourniquet	1
Tweezers	1 pair
Cotton, absorbent	An adequate assortment
Gauze, sterilized, plain	
Lint, absorbent	
Plaster, adhesive	

Lockers.

(iv) An employer shall at some reasonably convenient place on his premises provide a suitable locker for each employee in his workshop, or hanging facilities which afford reasonable protection for employees' clothes. In any case in which compliance with this paragraph necessitates the provision of lockers or new or improved hanging facilities, they shall be provided by the 1st July, 1946, unless the employer proves to the satisfaction of the Wages Board that he is unable by reason of shortage of material or labour or any other difficulties to provide such new or improved facilities, in which case their provision may be postponed for such period or periods as the Wages Board determines.

Washing and Sanitary Conveniences.

(v) Employers shall provide proper and sufficient washing and sanitary conveniences.

*Clothing, Equipment, and Tools.**Damage to Clothing and Tools.*

(b) (i) Compensation to the extent of the damage sustained shall be made where in the course of the work clothing or tools are damaged or destroyed by fire or molten metal or through the use of corrosive substances. Provided that the employer's liability in respect of tools shall be limited to such tools of trade as are ordinarily required for the performance of the employee's duties.

Goggles.

(ii) Suitable mica or other goggles shall be provided by the employer for each employee using emery wheels or where used by more than one employee such goggles shall be sterilized before being used by another employee. An employee when working on emery wheels shall wear the goggles provided for his protection.

Goggles containing celluloid shall not be considered suitable for the purposes of this provision.

Masks.

(iii) Where necessary suitable masks shall be provided for employees required to use compressed air for blowing dust from electrical machinery or equipment. An employee when performing such work shall wear the mask provided for his protection. Masks containing celluloid shall not be considered suitable for the purposes of this provision.

Protective Clothing—Galvanising, &c.

(iv) Employers shall provide suitable protective aprons, rubber gloves, and rubber boots or clogs, to employees engaged in manual handling of materials over hot galvanising or tinning pots or pickling or plating baths.

Tools.

(v) Until further order the employer shall provide for each employee such tools as were customarily provided at the time of the making of this Determination. The employee shall replace or pay for any tools so provided if lost through his negligence.

Females—Rest Period and Seats.

(c) Female employees shall be allowed a rest period of not less than ten minutes during each day or shift, to be taken during the first or second half of the day or shift as may be decided by a majority of the female employees in a shop.

When requested by employees and where practicable suitable seats shall be provided by the employer for female employees.

Ventilation.

(d) While any work is being carried on in any confined or enclosed space in which—

- (i) fumes, gases, dust or vapours which may be dangerous or injurious are liable to be present or to be generated in the course of the work; or
- (ii) the atmosphere may otherwise become vitiated,

the employer shall install a suction exhaust apparatus, through which by means of a power-driven fan air is drawn from the vicinity of the work in relation to which it is installed.

Where it is impracticable to install such suction exhaust apparatus the employer shall take all such steps as are necessary to ensure safe working conditions in any such confined or enclosed space.

This sub-clause shall not be deemed to be inconsistent with the Harmful Gases, Vapours, Mists, Smokes, and Dust Regulations 1945 (published in the Victorian Government Gazette No. 21, dated 7th February, 1945), and shall not apply to any processes or occupations to which those Regulations apply.

SHOP STEWARDS.

17. An employee appointed shop steward in the shop or department in which he is employed shall, upon notification thereof to his employer, be recognized as the accredited representative of the union to which he belongs, and he shall be allowed the necessary time during working hours to interview the employer or his representative on matters affecting employees whom he represents.

RIGHT OF ENTRY OF UNION OFFICIALS.

18. (a) For the purpose of interviewing employees on legitimate union business, a duly accredited union representative shall have the right to enter employers' premises during the midday meal break on the following conditions:—

- (i) That he produces his authority to the gatekeeper or such other person as may be appointed by the employer;
- (ii) that he interviews employees only at places where they are taking their meal;
- (iii) that not more than one representative of each of not more than three unions be on the premises at any one time;
- (iv) that no one representative visit the premises more than once in each week;
- (v) that if any employer alleges that a representative is unduly interfering with his work or is creating dissatisfaction amongst his employees or is offensive in his methods or is committing a breach of any of the previous conditions, such employer may refuse the right of entry, but the representative shall have the right to bring such refusal before the Wages Board.

Provided that where certain employees are working under a system of shift work which precludes a representative from interviewing them during the midday meal break the representative shall have the right to enter the employer's premises for the purpose of interviewing such employees at such time and under such conditions as to notice as may be mutually arranged by the representative and the employer, or failing agreement, at such times and under such conditions as the Wages Board may decide.

(b) For the purpose of investigating complaints concerning the application of this Determination, a duly accredited union representative shall be afforded reasonable facilities for entering an employer's workshop or plant during working hours, subject to the following conditions:—

- (i) That he discloses to the employer or his representative the complaint which he desires to investigate;
- (ii) that he makes his investigations in the presence of the employer or his representative (if the employer so desires);
- (iii) that he does not interfere with work proceeding in the workshop or plant;
- (iv) that he conducts himself properly.

(c) A union representative shall be a duly accredited representative of an organization concerned if he be the holder for the time being of a certificate, signed by the General Secretary of that organization, and bearing the seal of that organization, in the following form, or in a form not materially differing therefrom:—

(Name of organization.)

THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT _____ is a duly accredited representative of the above-named organization.

General Secretary.

(Seal.)

Date—

Specimen Signature of Holder—

STRICTLY NOT TRANSFERABLE.

TIME AND WAGES BOOK.

19. (a) Each employer shall keep a record from which can be readily ascertained the name of each employee and his occupation, the hours worked each day, and the wages and allowances paid each week.

(b) The time occupied by an employee in filling in any time record or cards or in the making of records shall be treated as time of duty, but this does not apply to checking in or out when entering or leaving the employer's premises.

(c) The time and wages record shall be open for inspection to a duly accredited union official during the usual office hours at the employer's office or other convenient place. Provided that an inspection shall not be demanded unless the secretary of the union or the district secretary or organizer of any division suspects that a breach of the Determination has been committed. Provided also that only one demand for such inspection shall be made in one fortnight at the same establishment.

(d) The official making such inspection shall be entitled to take a copy of entries in a time and wages record relating to the suspected breach of the Determination.

NOTICE BOARD.

20. The employer shall permit a notice board of reasonable dimensions to be erected in a prominent position in his establishment upon which accredited union representatives shall be permitted to post formal union notices, signed or countersigned by the representative posting same.

DEFINITIONS.

21. "Piecemaker" means an employee required to work any job at a price fixed.

"Spinner—1st class" means an adult employee required to make his own chucks, spin up the job to drawings, measurement, or blue prints, and/or who applies general trade knowledge and experience to making of spun articles by jobbing methods.

"Sunday" means all time between midnight Saturday and midnight Sunday.

"Year" means the period between the 1st day of June in each year and the next 31st day of May.

PERIODICAL ADJUSTMENT OF WAGES.

22. The wages rates set out in clauses 2 and 3 are based upon the following basic wage rates, and, pursuant to the provisions of Section 21 of the *Factories and Shops Act 1934*, the Board hereby determines that such rates shall be automatically adjusted as prescribed in clause 23. Provided that the wages of apprentices (other than apprentices to Spinner—1st class) and improvers in receipt of 20s. per week or more shall be adjusted proportionately to adjustments of the basic wage, such adjustments to be to the nearest 3d., half or less than half of 3d. to be disregarded.

Basic Wage.

Place.	Needs Basic Wage. (Adjustable).	Loading Constant.	Total Basic Wage.	Index Number Set Assigned.
	£ s. d.	s. d.	£ s. d.	
Throughout the State	5 1 0	6 0	5 7 0	Melbourne

ADJUSTMENT OF BASIC WAGE.

23. (a) For the purposes of this Determination, the expression "Commonwealth Statistician's 'all items' retail price index numbers" or any like expression means the numbers stated to be such index numbers in any document purporting, and not proved to be wrongly so purporting, to be printed by the Commonwealth Government Printer or to be signed by or on behalf of the Commonwealth Statistician.

(b) Until the beginning of the first pay period to commence in August, 1947, the amounts of the Basic Wage shall be as prescribed in clause 22.

(c) During each future successive period beginning with the first pay period to commence in an August, a November, a February, or a May, the amount of the needs basic wage shall be adjusted by the following method, namely, by multiplying the last published Commonwealth Statistician's "all items" retail price index number by the factor .087 taken to one place decimals, the resultant whole number being the amount of the basic wage expressed in shillings, but should the decimal number reach .5 or more the basic wage shall be taken to the next higher shilling.

In addition to the basic wage prescribed by clause 22, any adult employee of a classification specified hereunder shall be paid the margin and loading hereinafter assigned to that classification, and such loading shall be deemed to be part of his ordinary rate of wage for all purposes of this Determination :—

Classification.	Margin.	War-Time Loading.
	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>
Stamper who puts in die and makes force	36 0	6 0
Repairer	36 0	6 0
Maker-up	36 0	6 0
Spinner, 1st class	31 0	4 0
Spinner (other)	17 0	3 0
Die setter	17 0	3 0
Drop hammer stamper (other than one who puts in die and makes force) ..	15 0	3 0
Press operator (heavy)	15 0	3 0
Press operator (light)	13 0	3 0
Pickler	14 0	3 0
Hand blanker	13 0	3 0
All others	Nil	3 0

A. V. BARNES, J.P., Chairman.

J. W. RYAN, Secretary.

Melbourne, 11th June, 1947.

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Factories and Shops Acts.

DETERMINATION OF THE MOTOR DRIVERS BOARD.

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

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 persons employed—

- (a) driving mechanically-propelled vehicles hired or plying for hire;
- (b) cleaning or attending to the running requirements (not including repairs) of mechanically-propelled vehicles which are—
 - (i) hired, plying for hire, or used in connexion with a trade or business;
 - (ii) stalled in a public garage or in an engineer's workshop;
 - (iii) as conductors in connexion with mechanically-propelled passenger vehicles hired or plying for hire—

has made the following Determination, namely:—

1. That as from the beginning of the first pay period to commence on or after the 8th July, 1947, the last previous Determination of this Board shall be revoked and replaced by this Determination.

2.

APPRENTICES OR IMPROVERS.

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OTHER EMPLOYEES.

	"A"	"B"
	Operating exclusively within a radius of 15 miles of the General Post Office, Melbourne.	Operating exclusively outside a radius of 15 miles of the General Post Office, Melbourne, or operating partly within and partly outside such radius.
(i) <i>Vehicles Engaged on Regular Services.</i>		
(See clause 13 for Definition of Vehicle Engaged on Regular Services.)	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>
Drivers of motor cars (including motor omnibuses, motor coaches, and charabancs) engaged on regular services—		
In which the licensed passenger seating capacity exceeds 19 persons	138 6*	133 6*
In which the licensed passenger seating capacity exceeds 13 but does not exceed 19 persons ..	134 6*	129 6*
In which the licensed passenger seating capacity exceeds 7 but does not exceed 13 persons ..	129 6*	124 6*
In which the licensed passenger seating capacity does not exceed 7 persons	127 0*	122 0*
* These rates include a special war loading of 8s. per week.		
(ii) <i>Vehicles Not Engaged on Regular Services.</i>		
Drivers of motor cars (including motor omnibuses, motor coaches, and charabancs) not engaged on regular services—		
In which the licensed passenger seating capacity exceeds 22 persons	130 6	125 6
In which the licensed passenger seating capacity exceeds 14 but does not exceed 22 persons ..	128 0	123 0
In which the licensed passenger seating capacity exceeds 7 but does not exceed 14 persons ..	125 6	120 6
In which the licensed passenger seating capacity does not exceed 7 persons and the vehicle plies for public hire upon the street	122 0	117 0
All other drivers	118 6	113 6
(iii) <i>Employees Not Provided for in (i) and (ii) hereof.</i>		
Conductors (including females)	123 0	118 0
Greasers	120 6	115 6
Cleaners	116 0	111 0
All others—		
Males	116 0	111 0
Females	69 0	61 6

ALLOWANCES.

3. (a) Where a vehicle with licensed passenger seating capacity exceeding seven persons is engaged on regular service within the area referred to in Column "A" of clause 2 and the driver is required to collect fares and/or give change, he shall be paid 3d. an hour or part thereof with a minimum of 1s. a day and a maximum of 1s. 6d. a day of eight hours and for each additional hour beyond eight, 3d. in addition to any other amounts to which he may be entitled under this Determination.

(b) When a vehicle engaged on regular service within the area referred to in Column "B" of clause 2 carries parcels or goods other than articles of passengers' personal luggage) and/or if the driver of such a vehicle is required to collect fares such driver shall receive an allowance of 6d. per day or part of a day in addition to any amounts to which he may be entitled under this Determination.

(c) Any employee whose employment may necessitate his being absent from his home and his being unable to conveniently return to such home on any day, shall receive a minimum of a full day's pay for each day he is so absent plus an allowance to cover the cost of his board and lodging.

HOURS OF WORK.

4. The ordinary hours of work shall be:—

(a) For drivers of vehicles on regular services the maximum ordinary hours, without payment of overtime, shall not exceed 88 hours per fortnight: Provided that not more than 50 hours may be worked in any week without payment of overtime.

(b) For greasers and/or cleaners—44 hours per week.

(c) For all employees other than those provided for in sub-clauses (a) and (b)—48 hours per week.

Ordinary daily hours shall be as hereinafter provided. Notwithstanding any condition therein, a driver not engaged on regular services who is not given a meal time within five hours of commencing duty, shall have the daily hours of work and spread of hours as provided in sub-clauses (i) and (ii) hereof reduced by one hour, and a driver of a regular service vehicle shall have time off for a meal within five hours of commencing duty.

The ordinary daily hours for employees (except drivers of vehicles on regular services, greasers, and/or cleaners) shall be eight hours. The ordinary daily hours of drivers of vehicles on regular services, greasers, and/or cleaners may be fixed by mutual agreement between an employer and his employees concerned, provided that in no case shall the ordinary hours of a week's or a fortnight's work (as the case may be) be extended without payment of overtime.

Subject to sub-clauses (i) and (ii) hereof the hours of a day's work as hereinbefore provided shall be continuous—

(i) Within a daily spread of nine hours, employees (other than casual employees) working in the area defined in Column "A" of clause 2 may be required to have a meal period not exceeding one hour, and employees (other than casual employees) working in the area as defined in Column "B" of clause 2 may within a daily spread of ten and a half hours be required to have a meal period not exceeding two and a half hours.

(ii) Casual employees working within a daily spread of nine hours in the area provided for in Column "A" of clause 2 may be required to take a meal period not exceeding one-half hour if employed not less than four hours, and less than eight hours, but if employed for eight hours or more, may be required to take a meal interval not exceeding one hour.

Casual employees working within a daily spread of ten and a half hours in the area provided for in Column "B" of clause 2 hereof may be required to take a meal period not exceeding one-half hour if employed not less than four hours and less than eight hours, but if employed for eight hours or more, may be required to take a meal interval not exceeding two and a half hours.

OVERTIME.

5. Overtime shall be paid for as follows:—

(a) For drivers of vehicles on regular services for work done—

(i) In excess of the hours for a day's work agreed upon between an employer and his employees	} For the first four hours .. Time and a quarter Thereafter Time and a half
(ii) Outside the daily spread of hours	
(iii) In excess of 88 hours per fortnight or in excess of 50 hours in any week	

(b) For greasers and/or cleaners—

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| (i) In excess of the hours for a day's work agreed upon between an employer and his employees | } For the first four hours -- Time and a quarter
Thereafter -- -- Time and a half |
| (ii) Outside the daily spread of hours | |
| (iii) In excess of 44 hours in any week | |

(c) For drivers of vehicles not engaged on regular services—

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| (i) In excess of eight hours on any day | } For the first two hours -- Ordinary rates
For the next two hours Time and a quarter
Thereafter -- -- Time and a half |
| (ii) Outside the daily spread of hours | |

(d) For employees other than those provided for in sub-clauses (a) and (b)—

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| (i) In excess of eight hours on any day | } For the first four hours Time and a quarter
Thereafter -- -- Time and a half |
| (ii) Outside the daily spread of hours | |

CONTRACT OF EMPLOYMENT.

6. An employee shall be engaged either as a weekly employee or as a casual employee. Unless he is specifically engaged as a casual employee he shall be deemed to be and shall be paid as a weekly employee and shall, provided he is ready, available, and willing to work, receive for work done in any week, at least, the rate provided in clause 2 hereof for the class of work he is required to do. An employee engaged at the beginning of a week or during a week shall not have his contract of employment as herein provided varied until the end of such week.

A casual employee shall receive a minimum of three hours' work or payment for same for each start at work on any day.

A start at work shall mean the commencement of work for the day and each resumption of work after a break on any day except a break for a meal interval as provided in clause 4 (ii) hereof. For the first three hours after any start at work on any day a casual employee shall receive a *pro rata* payment based on the weekly hours provided in clause 4, sub-clauses (a), (b), and (c) and the rate provided in clause 2 for the class of work done plus 3½ per cent.

For all work done in excess of three hours after any start at work on any day he shall receive a *pro rata* payment based on the weekly hours provided in clause 4, sub-clauses (a), (b), and (c), and the rate provided in clause 2 for the class of work done.

Casual employees shall be booked off at the place where they were engaged for work.

Drivers of vehicles engaged on regular services shall receive two full days off within each fortnight. A fortnight shall be deemed to commence at midnight on a Saturday and to finish at midnight on the 2nd Saturday thereafter.

If an employee (other than a casual employee) is required to report for duty on any day, and does so, he shall receive a minimum of three hours' work or payment for such period.

ANNUAL HOLIDAY.

7. The annual holiday shall be as prescribed by the provisions of the *Factories and Shops (Annual Holidays) Act 1946*, No. 5111, and any amendments which may be made thereto from time to time.

SPECIAL RATES.

8. Time and a quarter shall be the special rate for all work done on Christmas Day, Boxing Day, Show Day, New Year's Day, Australia Day, Anzac Day, Good Friday, Easter Monday, Labour Day, and King's Birthday; 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.

NIGHT SHIFT.

9. Employees (other than drivers and conductors) working between the hours of 8 p.m. and 7 a.m. shall be paid 3d. per hour extra with a maximum of 1s. a shift.

MIXED FUNCTIONS.

10. An employee engaged for more than half of one day or shift on duties carrying a higher rate than his ordinary classification, shall be paid the higher rate for such day or shift. If for less than half of one day or shift, he shall be paid the higher rate for the time so worked.

SICK PAY.

11. An employee absent from work on account of ill health or the result of an accident shall be entitled to be paid at half ordinary rates for a period not exceeding in the aggregate twelve days in any one year: Provided that an employer shall have the right before paying such sick pay to require the employee concerned to produce a medical certificate as proof that his absence from work was on account of illness or incapacity. Should the employee so produce a medical certificate at the request of the employer such employee shall receive a refund of any expense incurred in obtaining such certificate up to but not exceeding a sum of 10s. 6d. Notwithstanding any other provision in this clause where, under any scheme of insurance or an accident, relief, or provident fund, to secure the benefit of which the employer has paid the necessary premium or under any Workers' Compensation Act, compensation becomes payable for any of such days of absence, the employer shall not be bound to pay more of such wage than is sufficient with such compensation to make up the half pay hereinbefore provided.

TIME BOOKS.

12. (a) Each employer shall at the garage or yard at or from or in connexion with which the employee works or at an office convenient thereto, keep a record or time book showing the name of each employee working under this Determination, in which each employee shall enter his time of starting and finishing work each day.

(b) The age of each employee receiving less than the adult wage shall be entered in the record or time book.

(c) Such record or time book shall on demand be produced by the employer for inspection to an official of the Motor Transport and Chauffeurs' Association of Australia duly authorized in writing by the president and secretary of the local branch or sub-branch of such organization, at the place where the record or time book is kept between the hours of 10 a.m. and noon on any day between the 1st and 27th inclusive in each calendar month, except on pay day or the day before.

In the case of the first inspection, seven days' notice shall be given to the employer of the intended inspection, and in the case of any subsequent inspection, one day's notice shall be given.

(d) Provided that an employer may at his option, in lieu of a time book, provide a mechanical clock for the purpose of recording the time of each employee.

(e) Where an employee performs work for which a special rate is provided, a record of such work and the nature of the same shall be recorded in the time book or equivalent record.

DEFINITION.

13. A vehicle on regular service shall mean a vehicle which travels to a regular fixed schedule of times between two fixed points and which does not require any specified number of passengers before a scheduled trip is undertaken.

PERIODICAL ADJUSTMENT OF WAGES.

14. The wages rates set out in clause 2 are based upon the following basic wage and pursuant to the provisions of section 21 of the *Factories and Shops Act 1934*, this Board hereby determines that the rates for male adults shall be automatically adjusted as prescribed in clause 15, provided that the wages of female adults, apprentices, improvers, and juvenile workers shall be adjusted proportionately to adjustments of the basic wage—such adjustments to be to the nearest 6d.

Basic Wage.

Place.	Needs Basic Wage (Adjustable).	Loading Constant.	Total Basic Wage.	Index Number Set Assigned.
	£ s. d.	s. d.	£ s. d.	
Throughout the State	5 1 0	6 0	5 7 0	Melbourne

ADJUSTMENT OF BASIC WAGE.

15. (a) For the purposes of this Determination, the expression "Commonwealth Statistician's 'all items' retail price index numbers" or any like expression means the numbers stated to be such index numbers in any document purporting, and not proved to be wrongly so purporting, to be printed by the Commonwealth Government Printer or to be signed by or on behalf of the Commonwealth Statistician.

(b) Until the beginning of the first pay period to commence in August, 1947, the amounts of the Basic Wage shall be as prescribed in clause 14.

(c) During each future successive period beginning with the first pay period to commence in an August, a November, a February, or a May, the amount of the needs basic wage shall be adjusted by the following method, namely, by multiplying the last published Commonwealth Statistician's "all items" retail price index number by the factor .087 taken to one place of decimals, the resultant whole number being the amount of the basic wage expressed in shillings, but should the decimal number reach .5 or more the basic wage shall be taken to the next higher shilling.

NOTE.—Under section 233 of the Factories and Shops Act any person who is guilty of a contravention of any clause of this Determination shall be liable to penalties as follows:—

For the first offence, not more than ten pounds.

For the second offence, not less than five pounds nor more than twenty-five pounds.

For the third or any subsequent offence, not less than fifty nor more than one hundred pounds.

In addition, the Court may award arrears of wages as provided in section 237 of the same Act.

A. V. BARNS, J.P., Chairman.

J. W. RYAN, Secretary.

Melbourne, 23rd June, 1947.