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Factories and Shops Acts.

DETERMINATION OF THE RADIO BOARD.

NOTE.—This Determination now 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 any person or persons or classes of persons employed in the trade of manufacturing, assembling or maintaining radio appliances, parts or accessories (other than batteries), but not including persons subject to the jurisdiction of any Wages Board heretofore appointed," 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.

Adults.	Wages per Week of 44 Hours.		
	Within a Radius of 20 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.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Radio serviceman .. .. .	7 9 6	7 16 0	7 6 6
Radio repairer .. .. .	6 10 0	6 16 6	6 7 0
Radio wirer, i.e., employee wiring a complete set from a circuit diagram or model other than on production line .. .. .	6 5 0	6 11 6	6 2 0
Power tube operative—			
1st six months' experience .. .. .	6 5 0	6 11 6	6 2 0
Thereafter .. .. .	6 9 0	6 15 6	6 6 0
Tradesmen (radio) .. .. .	7 12 0	7 18 6	7 9 0
Process worker .. .. .	6 3 0	6 9 6	6 0 0
All others .. .. .	5 10 0	5 16 6	5 7 0

Radio servicemen who in the service of their employers use their own motor vehicles shall be paid additional allowances as follows:—

	Per Week.
	£ s. d.
Motor car .. .. .	3 0 0
Motor cycle and side car .. .. .	1 15 0
Motor cycle .. .. .	1 5 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 20 employees, 18s. per week extra.

## FEMALE AND UNAPPRENTICED JUNIOR LABOUR.

3. (a) Subject to the exceptions hereinafter provided, the minimum rates of wages for adult and junior females and for unapprenticed male juniors 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 Warrnambool, 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	68 6	73 0	66 6
All others .. .. .	75	3 0	78 6	83 6	76 6
<i>II.—Junior Females.</i>					
17 years of age and under .. .. .	40	1 0	41 6	44 0	40 0
18 years of age .. .. .	47½	1 3	49 0	52 6	48 0
19 years of age .. .. .	55	1 6	57 0	60 6	55 6
20 years of age .. .. .	62½	2 0	65 0	69 0	63 0
<i>III.—Junior Males.</i>					
Under 16 years of age .. .. .	25	0 6	25 6	27 6	25 0
16 years of age .. .. .	35	0 9	36 0	38 6	35 0
17 years of age .. .. .	47½	1 0	49 0	52 0	47 6
18 years of age .. .. .	60	1 0	61 6	65 6	60 0
19 years of age .. .. .	75	2 0	77 6	82 6	75 6
20 years of age .. .. .	90	2 0	93 0	98 6	90 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.

## SPECIAL RATES.

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

*Cold Places.*

(a) 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.

*Dirty Work.*

(b) 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 in 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.

*Hot Places.*

(c) 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.

*Wet Places.*

(d) 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.*

(e) 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.*

(f) 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.

5. (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.

## HOURS OF WORK.

*Day Workers.*

6. (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 hour 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-days 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.*

7. (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 twenty-four 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 8 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 four hours; or
- (ii) 88 in 14 consecutive days, in which case an employee shall not, without payment for overtime, be required to work more than 8 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 for overtime, be required to work more than 8 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.

(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 such 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 4 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 10. 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.*

8. 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.**

9. (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 day's work 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. 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 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.**

10. (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 Sunday 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 (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, required to work on Sundays or public holidays shall be paid for a minimum of three hours' work.

#### 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 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.*

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 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 14 hereof lose his pay for the actual time for 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 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 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 10 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 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 (i) 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 10 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 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.*

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 work shop and 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.

*Gloves.*

(ii) Suitable canvas or leather gloves shall be provided by employers for operators of pneumatic tools and/or punch and shearing machines and suitable gloves or pads for such other work as 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 employers 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.*

(iii) 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.*

(iv) 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.*

(v) Employers shall provide a sufficient supply of the under-mentioned 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.

*Tools.*

(vi) 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 *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.

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 the 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 disaffection 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  
above-named organization.

is a duly accredited representative of the

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.

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.*

21. "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.

"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 process—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.

"Power tube operative" means an adult male employee engaged in assembling or glass operations in the making of electronic or thermionic power tubes, where the work is not reduced to process operations.

"Tradesman (radio)" means an adult male employee engaged on radio work which requires the application of general trade experience gained through apprenticeship or equivalent training in that work.

"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 clause 2 are based upon the following basic wage rates and, pursuant to the provisions of section 21 of the *Factories and Shops Acts 1934*, the Board hereby determines that such rates shall be automatically adjusted as prescribed in clause 23.

## Basic Wage.

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

## MARGINAL RATES.

In addition to the basic wage provided in clause 22 the margins and wartime loadings set out in this clause shall be the minimum rate payable to employees therein named:—

	Margins Per Week.	Wartime Loadings Per Week.
	s. d.	s. d.
Radio serviceman .. .. .	36 6	6 0
Radio repairer .. .. .	20 0	3 0
Radio wiper .. .. .	15 0	3 0
Power tube operative—		
1st six months' experience .. .. .	15 0	3 0
Thereafter .. .. .	19 0	3 0
Tradesman (radio) .. .. .	39 0	6 0
Process worker .. .. .	13 0	3 0
All others .. .. .	Nil	3 0

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

J. W. RYAN, Secretary.

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DETERMINATION OF THE JEWELLERS BOARD.

NOTE.—Since the 2nd July, 1946, this Determination has applied 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 any person or persons or classes of persons employed in the process, trade or business of a manufacturing jeweller," has made the following Determination, namely:—

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

2.

Apprentices or Improvers.	Juvenile Workers (other than Apprentices or Improvers).	Other Employees.
APPRENTICES.	WAGES PER WEEK OF 44 HOURS.	WAGES PER WEEK OF 44 HOURS.
	MALES.	MALES. <span style="float: right;"><i>s. d.</i></span>
	Engaged as Process Workers as defined in clause 8.	Jewellery setter, tool maker, engine-turner, bracelet and bangle maker, melter and refiner, boltring maker, lapper, mounter, ring maker, case maker (any part of which is composed of silver or gold), silversmith, swivel maker, diamond mounter, enameller, repairer, or chain maker
	1st year—	Gilder, melter, polisher, colourer, wire twister, tube drawer, pressworker, or drop-hammer worker—
	1st six months .. 17 0	During his 1st six months' experience 116 0
	2nd six months .. 22 0	During his 2nd six months' experience 128 0
	2nd year—	Thereafter .. 143 6
	1st six months .. 26 0	Plate roller, or wire roller and drawer, without previous experience—
	2nd six months .. 30 0	During the 1st six months' experience 116 0
	3rd year—	During the 2nd six months' experience 128 0
	1st six months .. 34 0	Thereafter .. 143 6
	2nd six months .. 38 0	Process Worker—
	4th year—	During his 1st six months' experience 116 0
	1st six months .. 42 0	Thereafter .. 128 0
	2nd six months .. 47 0	All others .. 128 0
	5th year—	
	1st six months .. 57 0	
	2nd six months .. 64 6	
	6th year—	
	1st six months .. 69 6	
	2nd six months .. 77 0	
	PROPORTION.	
	Three male juvenile workers to each four or fraction of four workers receiving not less than 128s. per week of 44 hours.	
Wages per week of 44 hours.		
Males. Females.		
<i>s. d.</i> <i>s. d.</i>		
1st year—		
1st six months .. 17 0 17 0		
2nd six months .. 19 6 19 6		
2nd year—		
1st six months .. 24 6 24 6		
2nd six months .. 27 0 27 0		
3rd year		
1st six months .. 29 6 29 6		
2nd six months .. 32 0 32 0		
4th year		
1st six months .. 34 6 34 6		
2nd six months .. 39 6 37 0		
5th year—		
1st six months .. 44 6 42 0		
2nd six months .. 54 6 47 0		
6th year—		
1st six months .. 64 6 52 0		
2nd six months .. 74 6 62 0		

Apprentices or Improvers.			Juvenile Workers (other than Apprentices or Improvers).		Other Employees.	
<b>IMPROVERS.</b>			<b>FEMALES.</b>		<b>FEMALES.</b>	
					<i>s. d.</i>	
			(a) (1) Engaged at sandblasting, pinning-up brooches, scratch brushing, washing-out, wiring-up for gilder, or making silver or base metal chain by machinery;		Bracelet and bangle maker, melter or refiner, boltring maker, lapper, mounter, ring maker, colourer, wire twister, tube drawer, polisher, case maker (any part of which is composed of silver or gold), silversmith, stamper, swivel maker, diamond mounter, enameller (other than any person engaged filling-in), repairer, or maker of gold chain over 6dwt. to the foot .. 134 6	
					Maker of the following classes of chain by hand—	
			(2) Assisting in making base metal jewellery, no part of which is composed of gold or silver;		Up to 5 dwt. to the foot, 18 or 15 carat (solid) .. 134 6	
			(3) Filling-in enamel work;		Up to 4 dwt. to the foot, 9 carat (solid) .. 134 6	
			(4) Carding of jewellery— <i>s. d.</i>		Up to 2 dwt. to the foot (hollow) .. 134 6	
			1st year—		Examiner, tester, and solderer of machine-made chain (solid)—	
			1st six months .. 16 0		Up to 5 dwt. to the foot, 18 carat .. 30 0	
			2nd six months .. 21 0		Up to 4 dwt. to the foot, 15 carat .. 30 0	
			2nd year .. 26 0		Up to 3 dwt. to the foot, 9 carat .. 30 0	
			3rd year .. 31 0		Pinner-up of brooches, sandblaster, scratch brusher, maker or assistant to maker or polisher of base metal jewellery, (no part of which is composed of gold or silver) or any person engaged filling-in any enamel work, washing out, wiring up for gilder, or making silver or base metal chain by machinery—	
			4th year .. 36 6		* { During 1st 3 months' experience .. 61 0	
			5th year .. 41 6		{ Thereafter .. .. 66 6	
			6th year .. 46 6		Pressworker (weight of press not to exceed 3 cwt.)—	
			(b) Engaged in press working or operating engine-turning machine or work hereinafter defined as that of a process worker— <i>s. d.</i>		* { During 1st 3 months' experience .. 65 6	
			1st year—		{ Thereafter .. .. 71 0	
			1st six months .. 16 0		Pressworker (weight of press exceeding 3 cwt.)—	
			2nd six months .. 21 0		* { During 1st 3 months' experience .. 79 0	
			2nd year .. 26 0		{ Thereafter .. .. 85 0	
			3rd year .. 31 0		Process worker—	
			4th year .. 36 6		* { During 1st 3 months' experience .. 65 6	
			5th year .. 41 6		{ Thereafter .. .. 71 0	
			6th year .. 46 6		Female employed carding jewellery—	
					* { During 1st 3 months' experience .. 61 0	
					{ Thereafter .. .. 65 6	
					All others .. .. 123 0	
					* Notwithstanding these differential rates any female employed at any of these classes of work on or prior to the 8th December, 1941, shall receive the higher rate in each case.	

PROPORTION (IN ANY PLACE).

Apprentices.

One male apprentice to every two or fraction of two male workers receiving not less than 128s. per week of 44 hours.

One female apprentice to every three or fraction of three female workers receiving not less than 65s. 6d. per week of 44 hours.

The proscribed form of indenture as amended was approved on 23rd January, 1918, and must be used.

Improvers.

One male improver to every four male workers receiving not less than 128s. per week of 44 hours.

One female improver to every four female workers receiving not less than 65s. 6d. per week of 44 hours.

3. TIME OF BEGINNING AND ENDING WORK—

Time of Beginning.	Time of Ending.
Saturday— 7.30 a.m. .. .. .	1 p.m.
On the other working days of the week— 7.30 a.m. .. .. .	6 p.m.

OVERTIME.

4. The following rate shall be paid for all work done—

- (a) Outside the hours fixed in clause 3 .. .. .
  - (b) Within the hours fixed in clause 3 in excess of 44 hours in any week .. .. .
  - (c) On any day during a week in which any of the holidays mentioned in clause 5 occurs, before the usual time of beginning work or after the usual time of ceasing work in the establishment .. .. .
- } Time and a half.

HOLIDAYS.

5. (a) All employees shall be entitled to the following holidays without deduction of pay; the days observed as:— New Year's Day, Australia Day, Good Friday, Easter Saturday, Easter Monday, Anzac Day, Labour Day, King's Birthday, Christmas Day, and Boxing Day.

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

(b) Any employee who is required to work on any day mentioned in clause 5 (a) or on a Sunday shall be paid double time for such work.

TERMINATING EMPLOYMENT BEFORE A HOLIDAY.

6. When an employee's services are terminated within two weeks of any one of the days mentioned in clause 5 and such employee is re-engaged by the same employer within two weeks after such holiday, he or she shall be entitled to payment for such holiday.

PAYMENT FOR A SHORT WEEK.

7. Subject to the provisions of this Determination, where a week of less than 44 hours is worked, the legal rate of payment for such week shall be 1/14 of the rate provided in clause 2 for the class of work done, multiplied by the number of hours actually worked.

DEFINITIONS.

8. (a) A process-worker is an employee engaged at :—  
 (i) Repetition work on any automatic, semi-automatic, or single purpose machine, or any machine fitted with jigs, gauges, dies or other tools rendering operations mechanical ;  
 (ii) Assembling of parts of metallic articles in which no fitting or adjustment requiring skill is required.  
 (b) " Year " means the period between the 1st day of June in each year and the next 31st day of May.

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO WORK OVERTIME.

9. (a) An employer shall, as far as practicable, give 24 hours' notice of his intention to work overtime ;  
 (b) Should an employer require his employees to work overtime in excess of one hour on any day without giving the notice mentioned in sub-clause (a) hereof he shall pay the employees concerned the following allowances as tea money :—  
 Adults, 1s. 6d. ; other employees, 1s.  
 (c) Should an employer give notice as provided in sub-clause (a) hereof and on the day when such overtime was to have been worked cancel the arrangement, he shall pay the following allowances to the employees concerned :—Adults, 1s. 6d. ; other employees, 1s. This extra payment, however, need not be paid if the cancellation of the overtime order is made necessary through a machinery breakdown.

ALL WORK DONE TO BE ON EMPLOYERS' PREMISES.

10. It shall be a breach of this Determination if :—  
 (a) An employer requires an employee to take home any material for the purpose of doing any work within the scope of this Determination.  
 (b) An employee takes home any material for the purpose mentioned in sub-clause (a) hereof.

ANNUAL HOLIDAY.

11. 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.

SICK LEAVE.

12. (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 absence.

- (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) Notwithstanding anything contained in sub-clause (a) hereof, if the full period of sick leave as prescribed above is not taken in any year, such portion as is not taken shall be cumulative from year to year up to a period not exceeding 132 hours of working time, which shall be the maximum amount of leave to which an employee may be entitled in any year of service without deduction of pay.

For the purpose of this sub-clause service prior to the 1st June, 1946, shall be disregarded.

Attendance at Hospitals, &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.

TOOLS.

13. An employer shall keep all employees supplied with the necessary files, piercing saws, and scorpers.

PERIODICAL ADJUSTMENT OF WAGES.

14. The adult 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 15. Provided that the wage of any such adult female receiving less than the total Basic Wage 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.	
Victoria .. .. .	5 1 0	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.

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

J. W. RYAN, Secretary.

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Factories and Shops Acts.

## DETERMINATION OF THE NAIL MAKERS BOARD.

NOTE.—Since the 2nd July, 1946, this Determination has applied to the whole of the State of Victoria.

IN accordance with the provisions of the Factories and Shops Acts the Wages Board which, since the 26th April, 1938, has had the power to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any person (including storemen, packers, and sorters) employed in the process, trade, or business of—

- (a) making nails; (c) galvanizing;  
(b) weaving wire netting or barbed wire; (d) drawing wire;

has made the following Determination, namely:—

1. That as from the beginning of the first pay period to commence on or after the 2nd July, 1947, the last previous Determination of this Board shall be revoked and replaced by this Determination.

## 2. WAGES PER WEEK OF 44 HOURS.

	s.	d.
Nail or tack tool maker .. .. .	138	0
Nail or tack machinist .. .. .	129	0
Assistant to nail or tack machinist .. .. .	124	0
Roofing nail heading machinist .. .. .	126	0
Barbed wire tool maker or machinist .. .. .	129	0
Assistant to barbed wire machinist .. .. .	124	0
Clipper or tier-up on concertina barbed wire .. .. .	123	0
Rumbler .. .. .	123	0
Galvanizer .. .. .	134	0
Pickler—Head, or where only one pickler is employed .. .. .	128	0
Assistant pickler .. .. .	122	0
Assistant working over metal pot .. .. .	128	0
Swinger .. .. .	120	0
Wire-drawing plate setter .. .. .	127	0
Wire-drawing block operator .. .. .	123	0
Tack Inspector .. .. .	123	0
Storeman, packer, or sorter .. .. .	126	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.

## 3. APPRENTICESHIP.

*Work to be Taught.*

(a) An apprentice shall be taught the work of each of the following occupations:—

- (1) Tool making;  
(2) Setting-up; and  
(3) Machining.

*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) If through lack of orders or through financial difficulties an employer is unable at any time to find employment and training for an apprentice and if a transfer to another employer cannot be arranged, the obligations and duties imposed by the indenture may, with the concurrence of the apprentice and his guardian, be suspended for a period agreed upon, or if no such agreement is arrived at the indenture may with the approval of the Secretary for Labour be determined by the employer. The onus of proving circumstances justifying such determination shall be on the employer.

*Proportion.*

(d) (i) The proportion of apprentices who may be taken by an employer shall be one to 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 tradesmen.

(ii) An employer specially qualified to teach apprentices may, with the consent of the Secretary for Labour, on the recommendation of the Wages Board, employ a greater proportion of apprentices to tradesmen than hereinbefore specified.

Until further order, apprentices so taken shall not be counted in future calculations of the proportion of apprentices to tradesmen authorized by this Determination.

*Period of Apprenticeship.*

If an apprentice is under the age of 16 years 6 months at the time of commencing—5 years; if 16 years and 6 months or over—4 years.

*Probationary Period.*

(e) Minors may be taken on probation for three months and if apprenticed such three months shall count as part of their period of apprenticeship.

*Wages.*

(f) The minimum weekly rates of wages 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 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.

*(g) Wages per Week of 44 Hours.*

		Percentage of Needs Basic Wage.	Constant Loading.	War Loading.	Total Wage Payable.
<i>Four and Five-year Terms.</i>					
		Per Week.	Per Week.	Per Week.	Per Week.
			<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 16 Years 6 Months.</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

Provided that subject to the sub-clause relating to lost time herein an apprentice on attaining the age of 21 years shall thereafter, until he has completed his apprenticeship, be paid the appropriate tradesman's rate as set out in clause 2.

On the expiration of his apprenticeship an employee who produces satisfactory evidence that he has satisfactorily completed the full term set out in his indentures shall, irrespective of the work on which he may be employed, receive the rate provided for a nail or tack tool maker.

*Hours.*

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

*Overtime and Shift Work.*

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

*Payment by Results.*

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

*Lost Time.*

(k) 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.*

(l) 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.*

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

*Annual and Sick Leave.*

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

## FEMALES, MALE JUVENILE WORKERS, AND IMPROVERS.

4. Female labour may be employed at sorting or packing. The minimum rates of wage for adult and junior females and for juvenile workers and improvers shall be as follows:—

## Wages per Week of 44 Hours.

	Percentage of Needs Basic Wage.	Constant Loading.	Total Wage Payable.
<i>I.—Adult Females.</i>			
Under three months' experience .. .. .	65	s. d. 3 0	s. d. 68 6
All others .. .. .	75	3 0	78 6
<i>II.—Junior Females.</i>			
17 years of age and under .. .. .	40	1 0	41 6
18 years of age .. .. .	47½	1 3	49 0
19 years of age .. .. .	55	1 6	57 0
20 years of age .. .. .	62½	2 0	65 0
<i>III.—Improvers and Junior Males.</i>			
Under 16 years of age .. .. .	25	0 6	25 6
16 years of age .. .. .	35	0 9	36 0
17 years of age .. .. .	47½	1 0	49 0
18 years of age .. .. .	60	1 0	61 6
19 years of age .. .. .	75	2 0	77 6
20 years of age .. .. .	90	2 0	93 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.

The proportion of improvers who may be taken by an employer shall be one to every four or fraction of four tradesmen.

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 such 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.

A female or a junior employee, who on the date of this Determination coming into force, in his or her case was entitled under the previous Determination to a rate higher than that hereby prescribed for an employee of his or her age and experience, shall be paid at not less than the rate prescribed by such previous Determination for an employee of his or her age or experience, as the case may be, until he or she completes the year or experience or of age in respect of which the last-mentioned rate is prescribed. Upon completion of such year the minimum rate of wage in his or her case shall be the rate hereby prescribed.

Clauses, other than clauses 2, 3, and 4, of the said Determination shall remain in force.

## 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 and unapprenticed juniors:—

*Dirty Work.*

(a) 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.

*Wet Places.*

(b) 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.*

(c) 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.*

(d) 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.

## HOURS OF WORK.

*Day Workers.*

6. (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-days' 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.*

7. (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.

(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 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 4 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 10 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.

8. 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.

9. (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 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 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 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.

10. (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 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.

#### EXTRA RATES NOT CUMULATIVE.

11. 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.

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 determination of the employment wages due to an employee shall be paid to him on the day of such determination, 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 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 14 hereof lose his pay for the actual time for 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 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, etc.*

(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 10 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 a 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 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 10 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 clause 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.*

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
Petroleum, carbolized .. .. .	1 jar
Picric acid solution, made according to the following recipe or prescription:—	
1½ teaspoonful 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.

*Protective Clothing—Galvanizing, &c.*

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

*Tools.*

(iv) 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, 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 \_\_\_\_\_ is a duly accredited representative of the abovenamed 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.

**GENERAL DEFINITIONS.**

21. For the purposes of this Determination the following definitions shall apply:—

"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.

"Nail or tack tool maker" means an employee who makes and fits all tools used in nail, staple, or tack making machines.

"Nail or tack machinist" means an adult employee who is in charge of and sets up machines to produce the various types of nails and/or tacks. He is also responsible for the quality of the product.

"Assistant to nail or tack machinist" is one who brings up wire to machines, and assists machinist in feeding machines and removing finished products.

"Barbed wire tool maker or machinist" means an employee who makes, grinds, and fits tools used in, and is in charge of barbed wire making machines. He is also responsible for the quality of the product.

"Assistant to barbed wire machinist" is one who feeds material and spools into barbed wire machines, stands by, adjusts tension, cuts off and removes finished products.

"Tradesman" is a person employed as a toolmaker and/or a setter-up and/or a machinist, receiving not less than the appropriate rate set out in clause 2.

"Improver" is any junior employee other than an apprentice or a juvenile worker as defined.

"Juvenile worker" means a male person under 21 years of age (other than an apprentice or an improver) employed in assisting rumbler, sawdusting, filling ladles, washing, scrubbing, drying, brushing off, sorting, packing, watching nail machines or barbed wire machines, wiring nail machines or barbed wire machines, watching and feeding tack machines, attending nail-rolling machines, attending horseshoe nail-heading machines, attending horseshoe nail-pointing machines, attending roofing nail-heading machines.

## PERIODICAL ADJUSTMENT OF WAGES.

22. 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 23.

*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.

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.

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*Marginal Rates.*

In addition to the basic wage provided in clause 22 the margins and wartime loadings set out in this clause shall be the minimum rate payable to employees therein named:—

Classification.	Margins per Week.	Wartime Loadings per Week.
	s. d.	s. d.
Nail or tack tool maker .. .. .	27 0	4 0
Nail or tack machinist .. .. .	19 0	3 0
Assistant to nail or tack machinist .. .. .	14 0	3 0
Roofing nail heading machinist .. .. .	16 0	3 0
Barbed wire tool maker or machinist .. .. .	19 0	3 0
Assistant to barbed wire machinist .. .. .	14 0	3 0
Clipper or tier-up on concertina barbed wire .. .. .	13 0	3 0
Rumbler .. .. .	13 0	3 0
Galvanizer .. .. .	24 0	3 0
Pickler—Head, or where only one pickler is employed .. .. .	18 0	3 0
Assistant pickler .. .. .	12 0	3 0
Assistant working over metal pot .. .. .	18 0	3 0
Swinger .. .. .	10 0	3 0
Wire drawing plate setter .. .. .	17 0	3 0
Wire drawing block operator .. .. .	13 0	3 0
Tack Inspector .. .. .	13 0	3 0
Storeman, packer, or sorter .. .. .	16 0	3 0
All others .. .. .	Nil	3 0

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

J. W. RYAN, Secretary.

Melbourne, 17th June, 1947.



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Factories and Shops Acts.

## DETERMINATION OF THE WIREWORKERS 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 any person or persons or classes of persons employed either inside or outside a factory or work-room in the process, trade, or business of—

A wire-worker, using six gauge or smaller wire, but not including persons employed in making wire netting, barbed wire, wire nails, or wire mattresses,"

has made the following Determination, viz. :—

1. That as from the beginning of the first pay period to commence on or after the 16th May, 1947, the last previous Determination of this Board shall be revoked and replaced by this Determination.

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## 3. TIME OF BEGINNING AND ENDING WORK.

Time of Beginning.	Time of Ending.
7.45 a.m. . . . .	5.30 p.m. on each of five days of the week.
7.45 a.m. . . . .	12.15 p.m. on the other working day of the week on which the half-holiday is usually observed.

## OVERTIME.

4. (a) For work done within the times of beginning and ending work in excess of 44 hours in any week, time and a half.  
 (b) For all work done outside the times of beginning and ending work the wages rates shall be time and a half for the first four hours and double time thereafter. In computing overtime each day's work shall stand alone.

## MEAL ALLOWANCE.

5. Any employee required to work overtime for more than two hours without being notified the day before that he will be so required to work, shall either be supplied with a reasonable meal by the employer or paid an allowance of one shilling and sixpence.

## SPECIAL RATES.

6. Double time shall be the rate for all work done on Sunday, New Year's Day, Australia Day, Good Friday, Easter Monday, Labour Day, Christmas Day, Boxing 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 be payable only for work done on the day so substituted.

## PAYMENT FOR HOLIDAYS.

7. Ordinary rates shall be paid, if not worked, for the days observed as:—New Year's Day, Christmas Day, Boxing Day, Australia Day, Good Friday, Easter Monday, Labour Day, Anzac Day, and King's Birthday.

## ANNUAL HOLIDAY.

8. 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.

## SICK LEAVE.

9. (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 incident 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.

*Definition.*

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

## ALLOWANCES.

10. Any employee engaged on work away from the workshop shall be—  
 (a) conveyed to and from work free, or allowed the fares necessarily expended in going to and fro;  
 (b) paid the ordinary rate of wages for time occupied in travelling.

## PROHIBITION OF EMPLOYMENT.

11. No person under the age of 16 years shall be engaged in the operation of paint-spraying.

PIECE-WORK.

12. The lowest piece-work prices for wholly manufacturing articles specified in the following Schedule shall be the prices set forth in such Schedule. (NOTE.—Any person employed on work not mentioned in the Schedule must be paid the wages rate for such work.)

SCHEDULE.

Baskets—		<i>s. d.</i>
Fry-baskets, 2 inches deep, long or drop handles .. .. .	0 3 $\frac{1}{2}$	per inch.
Vegetable baskets, 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ inches deep, long or drop handles .. .. .	0 4 $\frac{1}{2}$	“
(To be made in not less than one dozen lots, assorted sizes.)		
Cages, cockatoo—		<i>s. d.</i>
18-in. .. .. .	6 0	each
20 “ .. .. .	6 7	“
22 “ .. .. .	9 8	“
24 “ .. .. .	11 9	“
(To be made in lots of not less than half-a-dozen of each size.)		
Cages, canary (common)—		<i>s. d.</i>
9-in., with bell-tops .. .. .	12 0	per dozen.
9 “, without bell tops .. .. .	11 2	“
(To be made in three (3) dozen lots.)		
Cages, parrot (common)—		<i>s. d.</i>
12-in. .. .. .	14 9	per dozen.
14 “ .. .. .	16 9	“
16 “ .. .. .	19 6	“
18 “ .. .. .	22 3	“
20 “ .. .. .	20 9	“
(To be made in not less than four (4) dozen lots, assorted or otherwise.)		
Cages, parrot (galvanized)—		<i>s. d.</i>
12-in. .. .. .	14 9	per dozen.
14 “ .. .. .	16 9	“
16 “ .. .. .	19 6	“
18 “ .. .. .	22 3	“
20 “ .. .. .	20 9	“
(To be galvanized after made, and in not less than three (3) dozen assorted lots. Grates or false bottoms to be paid for at the rate of 11 $\frac{1}{4}$ d. each extra.)		
Cage fronts—		<i>s. d.</i>
Wiring fronts, wood frames provided .. .. .	7 10	per dozen.
Wire fronts (all wire) .. .. .	15 5	“
Diamond Work—		<i>s. d.</i>
4-in. mesh, 9 gauge wire .. .. .	23 3	per 100 square ft.
3 “ 9 “ .. .. .	23 3	“
2 $\frac{1}{2}$ “ 10 “ .. .. .	31 0	“
1 $\frac{1}{2}$ “ 10 “ .. .. .	38 8	“
1 $\frac{1}{2}$ “ 12 “ .. .. .	35 0	“
1 “ 13 and 14 gauge wire .. .. .	58 0	“
1 $\frac{1}{2}$ sq. crimped mesh, 12 gauge wire .. .. .	23 3	“
and if made stronger, 3s. 9 $\frac{1}{4}$ d. per 100 square feet for every gauge extra.		
(To be made in quantities of not less than 100 square feet.)		
Dog muzzles, complete, with binding and straps .. .. .		<i>s. d.</i>
(To be made in quantities of not less than one gross, assorted.)		12 0 per dozen.
Door mats .. .. .		<i>s. d.</i>
Fender sheets—		<i>s. d.</i>
$\frac{1}{2}$ -in. mesh .. .. .	0 4 $\frac{1}{2}$	per square foot.
“ .. .. .	0 5 $\frac{1}{2}$	“
(To be made in not less than one (1) dozen lots.)		
Fixing sheets on frames .. .. .	1 4 $\frac{1}{2}$	each.
Making frames, brass tops and plates, all sizes .. .. .	5 6	“
“ “ without brass tops and plates, all sizes .. .. .	4 7	“
Fern baskets—		<i>s. d.</i>
8-in. .. .. .	5 6	per dozen.
10 “ .. .. .	6 7	“
12 “ .. .. .	8 4	“
(To be made in lots of not less than one (1) gross.)		
Floral designs—		<i>s. d.</i>
8-in. .. .. .	4 7	per dozen.
10 “ .. .. .	4 7	“
12 “ .. .. .	4 7	“
14 “ .. .. .	7 5	“
16 “ .. .. .	7 5	“
Flowerstands—		<i>s. d.</i>
$\frac{1}{2}$ round, 3 steps .. .. .	16 9	each
“ 4 “ .. .. .	25 11	“
Oblong Gothic .. .. .	9 4	“
Flat back, 3 steps .. .. .	16 9	“
“ 4 “ .. .. .	25 11	“
Gridirons—		<i>s. d.</i>
Light, made of 12 and 14 gauge wire, 8, 10, and 12 inch size .. .. .	70 0	per gross.
Medium, made of 10 and 12 gauge wire, 8, 10, and 12 inch size .. .. .	78 7	“
(To be made in lots of not less than one (1) gross.)		
Rat traps, patent, $\frac{1}{2}$ -in. mesh, finished .. .. .		<i>s. d.</i>
“ “ “ flat bottomed .. .. .	78 2	per dozen.
“ “ “ .. .. .	85 6	“
(To be made in not less than one (1) dozen lots.)		
Rat traps (square)—		<i>s. d.</i>
12-in. finished .. .. .	22 3	per dozen.
14 “ .. .. .	27 10	“
16 “ .. .. .	31 9	“
(To be made in three (3) dozen lots, assorted.)		

With an addition of 7 $\frac{1}{4}$  per cent.



## PERIODICAL ADJUSTMENT OF WAGES.

13. The wages rates set out in clause 2 are based upon the following basic wage rates for adult males, and pursuant to the provisions of section 21 of the *Factories and Shops Act 1934*, shall be automatically increased or decreased as prescribed in clause 14. Wages of apprentices, improvers, and juvenile workers shall be adjusted proportionately to adjustments of the needs basic wage; such adjustment to be made to the nearest 6d., half or less than half of 6d. 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.

14. (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 13.

(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.

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Factories and Shops Acts.

## DETERMINATION OF THE WIRE FENCE AND TUBULAR GATE 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 which since the 22nd November, 1928, has had the power to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any person or persons or classes of persons employed in the trade of making or erecting woven wire fence (other than wire netting) and tubular gates, 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.

ADULTS.

	Wages per Week of 44 Hours.		
	£	s.	d.
Welder—			
First class (other than when using Cutler machine) .. .. .	7		15 0
First class, using Cutler machine . . . . .	7		0 0
Second class .. .. .	6		9 0
Third class .. .. .	6		5 0
Tack Welder .. .. .	6		7 0
Machinists, being those engaged in working on ringlock, or any other class of fence-making machines, chain netting machines, or picket fabric machines .. .. .	6		9 0
Paint spray operator .. .. .	6		5 0
Persons employed in attaching chain netting, fabric, or wire cables to gates or frames .. .. .	6		6 6
Scroll maker .. .. .	6		6 6
Tubular frame maker .. .. .	6		9 0
Person engaged in erecting woven wire fence or tubular gates .. .. .	6		9 0
Stump hand .. .. .	6		2 6
All other adult employees .. .. .	5		10 0

Provided that any person without previous experience employed in attaching chain netting, fabric, or wire cables to gates or frames, scroll making or tubular frame making, and erectors of woven wire fence or tubular gates, shall be paid 115s. per week of 44 hours for the first six weeks of such employment in the industry.

LEADING HANDS.

3. 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.

4. The Board has determined that no apprentice shall be taken in the trade.

UNAPPRENTICED MALE JUNIORS.

5. The wages of unapprenticed male juniors shall be the undermentioned percentages of the contemporaneous needs basic wage, and in addition thereto the constant loadings specified.

	Percentage of Needs Basic Wage.	Constant Loading Per Week.		Wages Per Week of 44 Hours.
		s.	d.	
		s.	d.	
Under 16 years of age .. .. .	25	0	6	25 6
16 years of age .. .. .	35	0	9	36 0
17 years of age .. .. .	47½	1	0	49 0
18 years of age .. .. .	60	1	0	61 6
19 years of age .. .. .	75	2	0	77 6
20 years of age .. .. .	90	2	0	93 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.

The minimum rate payable to a junior employee of 18 years or more with less than six months' experience under this Determination shall until he has had such 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 age, and in addition thereto the constant loading specified for such an employee.

No junior shall be employed in outside spray painting or in the occupation of outside erecting who has not attained the age of nineteen years and has not completed two years in the industry or if under the age of 16 years, using electric arc or oxy-acetylene blow pipe.

#### SPECIAL RATES.

6. In addition to the wages prescribed in clauses 2 and 5 hereof, the following special rates and allowances shall be paid to employees including 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 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.

##### *Confined Spaces.*

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

##### *Special Rates not Cumulative.*

(c) 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.*

(d) 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 Time, Allowance, and Board.*

7. (a) An employee required to work at a job away from his workshop or depot shall, at the direction of his employer, present himself for work at such job at the usual time of starting work. When an employee is required to work away from his workshop or depot, all time reasonably spent in excess of time usually spent in travelling to or from his home to the workshop or depot shall be paid for at ordinary rates (except on Sunday or a holiday when payment shall be at the rate of time and a half), up to a maximum of twelve hours out of every 24 or, where a sleeping berth is provided, a maximum of eight hours out of every 24.

(b) An employee engaged in a capital city to work in the country, or sent from one country centre to work in another country centre, shall be entitled to travelling time, and for a period not exceeding three months to expenses.

All excess fares and reasonable travelling expenses, including 2s. 6d. for each meal, together with the cost of board and lodging if the employee has to remain away from his home for a night, shall be paid by the employers.

The fares allowed shall be first class on coastal boats or on interstate boats where there is no second class as distinct from steerage, and on trains second class, except where all-night travelling is involved, when they shall be first class, and sleeping berths shall be provided where available.

(c) 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 Sundays.

(d) 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.

#### 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-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 October, 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-days 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.*

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 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 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 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 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 Employees.*

(i) 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 a junior, the rate for overtime shall be not less than the rate herein prescribed or 1s. 6d. per hour whichever is the higher.

(b) An employee, other than a casual employee, after the completion of overtime work performed after his usual ceasing time shall 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.

If on the instructions of his employer any employee resumes work without having had such eight hours off duty he shall be paid at double rates until he is relieved from duty to take such rest period, and he shall then 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.

(c) Except as otherwise provided in paragraphs (a) and (b) hereof, in computing overtime each day's work shall stand alone.

(d) An employee recalled to work overtime after leaving his employer's business 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.

(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.

(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.

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

(h) 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 or 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.

(i) An employee required to work overtime for more than two hours without being notified the day before 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 workshop who can reasonably return home for meals.

If an employee pursuant to notice has provided a meal or meals and is not required to work overtime he shall be paid as above prescribed for meals so provided.

(j) 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 purposes of making good breakdowns of plant or upon routine maintenance of plant which can only be done while such plant is idle.

(k) When an employee works overtime or a shift for which he has not been regularly rostered finishes work at a time when reasonable means of transport is not available, the employer shall provide him with a conveyance or pay him his current wage for the time 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 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.

## EXTRA RATES NOT CUMULATIVE.

13. Extra rates in this Determination, except rates prescribed in clause 6 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 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 employee 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 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 16 hereof, lose his pay for the actual time of such non-attendance.

*Casual Employment.*

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.

*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 HOLIDAY.*

17. (a) The annual holiday for an employee on weekly hiring, or a casual employee, 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.

(b) In addition to the above, seven day shift workers, that is shift workers who are rostered to work regularly on Sundays and holidays, shall be allowed for each twelve monthly qualifying period one week's leave including non-working days.

(c) 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 two weeks' annual leave prescribed by the said Act increased by one half day for each month he is continuously engaged as aforesaid.

(d) If in any twelve-monthly qualifying period a seven day shift worker lawfully leaves his employment or his employment is terminated by the employer through no fault of the employee the employee shall be paid, in addition to all other amounts (including any payment in lieu of annual leave as prescribed by sub-clause (a) hereof) due to him, an amount equal to one-fiftieth of his ordinary pay for the period of employment as a seven day shift worker.

*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
Potrolatum, 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 damages 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.

*Gloves.*

(ii) Suitable canvas or leather gloves shall be provided by employers for operators of pneumatic tools and/or punch and shearing machines 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.*

(iii) Suitable mica or other goggles shall be provided by the employer for each employee using emery wheels or whero 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.

*Protective Equipment—Welding.*

(iv) 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.

*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.

*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 employer's premises during the mid-day 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 mid-day 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.**

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 posting same.

**DEFINITIONS.**

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.

"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.

**Welding.**

"Welder—1st class" means a tradesman using electric arc and/or oxy-acetylene blowpipe and/or coal gas cutting plant who is required to apply general trade experience as a welder.

"Welder—2nd class" means an adult employee using an electric arc or oxy-acetylene blowpipe who is not a welder 1st class or welder 3rd class.

"Welder—3rd class" means an adult employee using an electric spot or butt welding machine or cutting scrap with an oxy-acetylene blowpipe.

**PERIODICAL ADJUSTMENT OF WAGES.**

24. 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 25.

**Basic Wage.**

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

**ADJUSTMENT OF BASIC WAGE.**

25. (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 24.

(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.

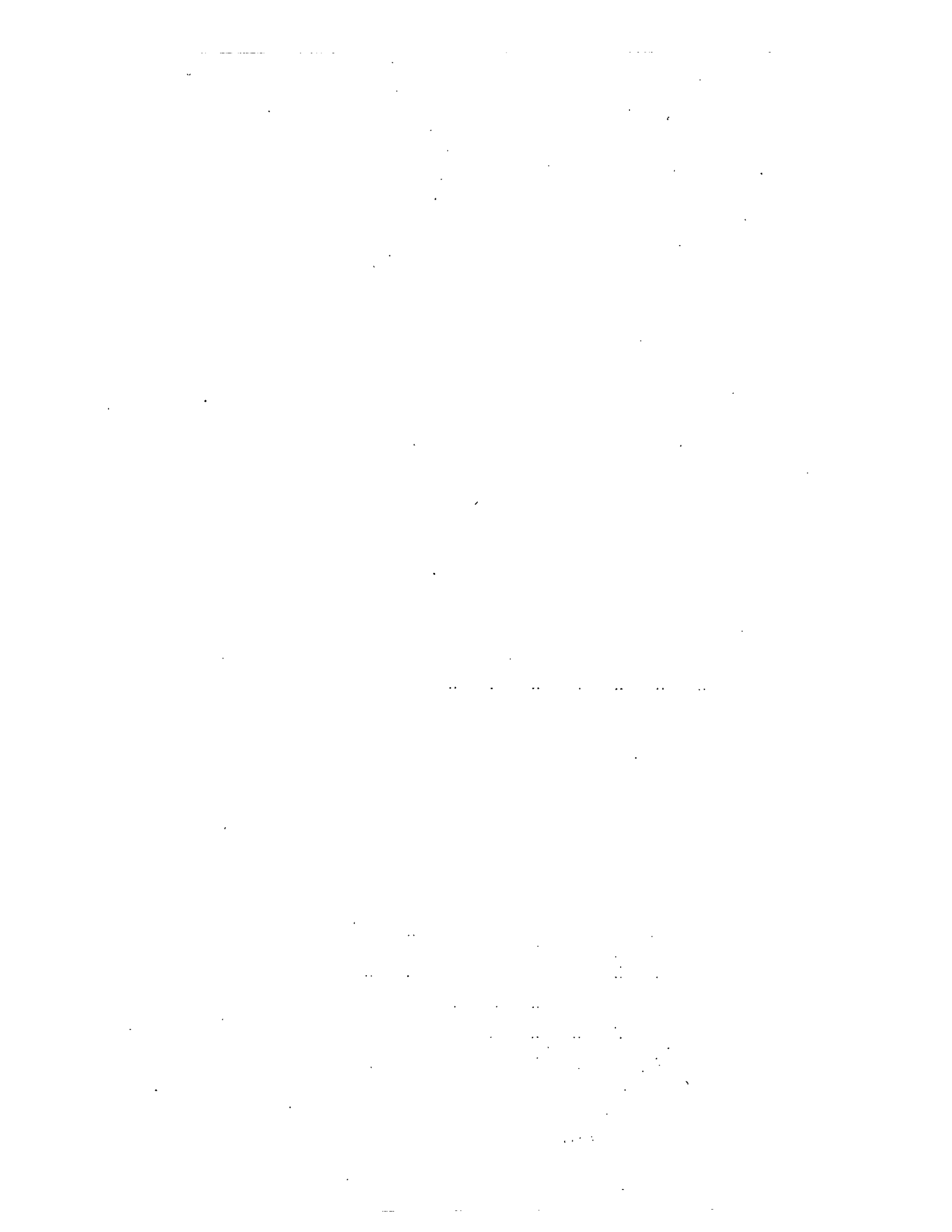
In addition to the basic wage prescribed by clause 24, any adult employee of a classification specified hereunder shall be paid the margin and special loading hereinafter assigned to that classification, and such loading shall be deemed to be part of his ordinary rate of wage for all purposes of this Determination:—

Classification.	Margin.	Special Loading.
	s. d.	s. d.
<b>Welder—</b>		
First-class (other than when using Cutler machine)	42 0	6 0
First-class, using Cutler machine	29 0	4 0
Second-class	19 0	3 0
Third-class	15 0	3 0
Tack welder	17 0	3 0
<b>Machinists, being those engaged in working on ring-lock, or any other class of fence-making machines, chain netting machines, or picket fabric machines</b>	19 0	3 0
Paint spray operator	15 0	3 0
Person employed in attaching chain netting, fabric, or wire cables to gates or frames	16 6	3 0
Scroll maker	16 6	3 0
Tubular frame maker	19 0	3 0
Person engaged in erecting woven wire fence or tubular gates	19 0	3 0
Stamp hand	12 6	3 0
All other adult employees	Nil.	3 0

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J. W. RYAN, Secretary.

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Factories and Shops Acts.

## DETERMINATION OF THE IRONMOULDERS BOARD.

NOTES.—A. This Determination applies to the whole of the State of Victoria.

B. (a) Section 168 of the *Factories and Shops Act 1928* (No. 3677) extends the powers of this Board to "Steel moulding."

(b) The following trades were proclaimed on 13th January, 1932, as apprenticeship trades under the *Apprenticeship Act 1928* for the Metropolitan Districts:—Jobbing Moulding and Coremaking, Jobbing Brass Moulding and Coremaking.

Full particulars of the apprenticeship regulations for these trades may be obtained on application to the Secretary Apprenticeship Commission, Russell-street, Melbourne, C.1. (Price 3d.)

IN accordance with the provisions of the Factories and Shops Acts, the Wages Board appointed to "determine the lowest prices or rates of payment which may be paid to any person or persons or classes of persons (other than moulders employed in moulding metal bedsteads) employed in the process, trade, or business of an ironmoulder," 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.

Adults.	Per Week of 44 Hours—		
	Within 20 Miles of G.P.O., Melbourne; 10 Miles of G.P.O., Geelong; at Warrnambool and within Mildura and Gippsland Districts.	At Yallourn.	All other Parts of Victoria.
WAGES.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
<i>Pipe Moulders making Pipes (other than Steam and Hydraulic Pipes) on a Bank or Cast Vertically—</i>			
<i>Bank pipe moulder—</i>			
5 and 6 inch, headman .. .. .	7 5 0	7 11 6	7 2 0
5 and 6 inch, footman .. .. .	6 14 0	7 0 6	6 11 0
4 inch and under, headman .. .. .	6 18 0	7 4 6	6 15 0
4 inch and under, footman .. .. .	6 10 0	6 16 6	6 7 0
<i>Vertical pipe moulders—</i>			
Hammer, coremaker, corer, or caster .. .. .	6 8 0	6 14 6	6 5 0
Dresser of pipes, including dresser on emery wheels .. .. .	6 11 0	6 17 6	6 8 0
<i>Persons Employed in making Pipes by Machinery—</i>			
<i>Coremakers—</i>			
5 and 6 inch, faucet .. .. .	7 5 0	7 11 6	7 2 0
5 and 6 inch, spigot .. .. .	6 14 0	7 0 6	6 11 0
4 inch and under, faucet .. .. .	6 18 0	7 4 6	6 15 0
4 inch and under, spigot .. .. .	6 10 0	6 16 6	6 7 0
<i>Finishers and casters—</i>			
5 and 6 inch .. .. .	7 5 0	7 11 6	7 2 0
4 inch and under .. .. .	6 18 0	7 4 6	6 15 0

WAGES—continued.

Adults.	Per Week of 44 Hours—		
	Within 20 Miles of G.P.O., Melbourne; 10 Miles of G.P.O., Geelong; at Warrnambool, and within Mildura and Gippsland Districts.	At Yallourn.	All other Parts of Victoria.
WAGES.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
<i>Metal Moulding.</i>			
Jobbing moulder and/or coremaker .. .. .	7 12 0	7 18 6	7 9 0
Plate and machine moulder and/or coremaker—			
1st six months' experience .. .. .	6 9 0	6 15 6	6 6 0
2nd six months' experience .. .. .	6 12 0	6 18 6	6 9 0
3rd six months' experience .. .. .	6 15 0	7 1 6	6 12 0
Thereafter .. .. .	7 0 0	7 6 6	6 17 0
Dresser and grinder (when using portable machine) .. .. .	6 13 0	6 19 6	6 10 0
Dresser and grinder (other) .. .. .	6 11 0	6 17 6	6 8 0
Furnaceman—cupola .. .. .	6 18 0	7 4 6	6 15 0
Furnaceman—electric .. .. .	6 17 0	7 3 6	6 14 0
Furnaceman—other .. .. .	6 15 0	7 1 6	6 12 0
Assistant furnaceman .. .. .	6 9 0	6 15 6	6 6 0
Loader and unloader of annealing furnace .. .. .	6 9 0	6 15 6	6 6 0
Dresser, shot blast and sand blast—			
(a) who operates from outside a properly enclosed cabin .. .. .	6 9 0	6 15 6	6 6 0
(b) other .. .. .	6 19 0	7 5 6	6 16 0
*Employee directly assisting an employee whose margin above the basic wage is 2ls. or more .. .. .	6 9 0	6 15 6	6 6 0

(Experience for the purpose of calculating the rates payable to plate and machine moulders and/or coremakers shall include all experience as a moulder or coremaker, jobbing or machine, as the case may be, whether as a junior or an adult.)

\*Upon its true construction this classification applies to employees in foundries employed:—

- (i) mixing of facing or core sand in sand mills or mixing machines and all riddling of sand except as provided under the heading of "Moulders' Assistants";
- (ii) wheeling sand to moulders or core shop;
- (iii) conveying metal either by hand runway or wheel bogie to moulders;
- (iv) removing castings, runners, risers, scrap or pig;
- (v) knocking out boxes and castings;
- (vi) knocking off runners;
- (vii) returning sand to moulders; and
- (viii) cleaning up.

*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.

3. APPRENTICESHIP

(other than those covered by the Apprenticeship Commission).

*Apprenticeship Trades.*

(a) An employer shall not employ minors in the following trade or occupation otherwise than under a contract of apprenticeship as hereunder provided:—Moulder and/or coremaker—Jobbing.

*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) 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.*

(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, except as hereinafter prescribed, be one apprentice to every three, or fraction of three, tradesmen in the trade concerned.

The exceptions are: Jobbing moulder and/or coremaker—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.

*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 appropriate 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 prescribed for the area in which they are employed, 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.

WAGES PER WEEK OF 44 HOURS.

	Percentage of Needs Basic Wage.	Constant Loading.	War Loading.	Total Wage Payable—		
				Within 20 Miles of G.P.O., Melbourne; 10 Miles of G.P.O., Geelong; at Warrambool, and within Mildura and Gippsland Districts.	At Yallourn.	All Other Parts of Victoria.
<i>Four and Five-year Terms.</i>						
	Per Week.	Per Week.	Per Week.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
1st year .. .. .	22½	..	..	0 9	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.—Apprentices commencing after the Age of 17 Years.</i>						
1st year .. .. .	26	..	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.*

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

*Overtime and Shift Work.*

(j) 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.*

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

*Lost Time.*

(l) 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.*

(m) 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.*

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

*Annual and Sick Leave.*

(o) Apprentices shall be entitled to sick and annual leave in accordance with the provisions of clauses 15 and 16 hereof respectively.

## FEMALE AND UNAPPRENTICED MALE JUNIORS.

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

## Wages per Week of 44 Hours.

	Percentage of Needs Basic Wage.	Constant Loading.	War Loading.	Total Wage Payable—		
				Within 20 Miles of G.P.O., Melbourne; 10 Miles of G.P.O., Geelong; at Warrnambool, and within Mildura and Gippsland Districts.	At Yallourn.	All Other Parts of Victoria.
		s. d.	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 0	1 6 6	1 8 6	1 6 0
16 years of age .. .. .	33	0 9	1 9	1 16 0	1 18 0	1 15 0
17 years of age .. .. .	60	1 0	3 0	3 4 6	3 8 6	3 3 0
18 years of age .. .. .	75	2 0	4 0	4 1 6	4 6 6	3 19 6
19 years of age and over ..	90	2 6	4 6	4 18 0	5 3 6	4 15 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.

A junior employee of eighteen years or more shall be paid 3s. per week in addition to the rates prescribed herein while he is employed as a furnaceman or assistant to a furnaceman.

(b) Except in the case of employees in foundries, 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 specified 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.

(c) Junior employees employed on the following machines or operations shall be paid at not less than the appropriate adult minimum rates :—

- (i) Assisting steel furnace ladleman, other than in daubing or repairing ladles.
- (ii) Breaking up pig iron.

(d) Junior employees shall not be employed—  
if under 18 years as furnacemen or assistants to furnacemen.

## 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 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.

## Hot Places.

(b) 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 temperature 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.

## Special Rates not Cumulative.

(c) 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.

(d) 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 work-shop.

#### HOURS OF WORK.

##### Day Workers.

7. (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-days 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.

8. (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 1 day; or
- (ii) 48 in any 1 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 14 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.
- (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; or

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 14 (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 4 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 11 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.**

9. 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.**

10. (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 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.**

11. (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.

**EXTRA RATES NOT CUMULATIVE.**

12. 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.**

13. (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.*

14. (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 15 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 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.**

15. (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.*

16. (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 11 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 15 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 the 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 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 11 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.*

17. (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 ozs. 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.

*Showers.*

(v) Employers shall provide for all workmen employed in foundries hot and cold shower baths, which shall be situated away from lavatories.

*Washing and Sanitary Conveniences.*

(vi) 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.

*Tools.*

(iii) 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.

*Dressing Castings.*

(c) Where practicable the dressing and rumberling of castings shall not be carried out in close proximity to employees not doing that work.

*Ladles.*

(d) (i) All ladles of a holding capacity of 15 cwt. or more in use at the time of the making of this Determination shall be fitted with safety worm gear or an equivalent safety fitting; and all ladles of a holding capacity of 10 cwt. or more hereafter brought into operation shall be fitted with safety worm gear.

(ii) Where molten metal is carried in ladles by hand the weight of molten metal shall not exceed :—

    Single-handled ladles—60 lb., including the weight of the ladle.

    Other ladles—¼ cwt. per man.

(iii) Where molten metal is carried by hand a clear passageway not less than 2 ft. 6 in. wide shall be made.

*Females—Rest Period and Seats.*

(e) 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.*

(f) 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.*

18. 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 OFFICIAL.

19. (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  
organization.

is a duly accredited representative of the above-named

(SEAL)

General Secretary.  
Date

Specimen signature of holder

Strictly not transferable.

TIME AND WAGES BOOK.

20. (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.

21 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.

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

DEFINITIONS.

22. "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.

"Jobbing coremaker" means a moulder engaged in making cores for metal moulds by the use of loam or strickle boards, or by loose boxes, other than loose boxes used for repetition production of cores requiring little or no skill to produce.

"Jobbing moulder" means a metal moulder engaged in floor moulding, loam moulding, strickle moulding, or moulding from loose patterns, and/or finishing off bath moulds made by a machine process.

"Machine coremaker" means an adult employee making cores by machines where the core box is a fixture to or part of such machine, or making repetition cores requiring little or no skill to produce.

"Plate and machine moulder" means an adult employee engaged in moulding on the plate system or by machines where the pattern is either a fixture to the plate or the spray system is used.

PERIODICAL ADJUSTMENT OF WAGES.

23. 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 in clause 24.

Basic Wage.

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

## ADJUSTMENT OF BASIC WAGE

24. (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 23.

(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 amounts 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.

## MARGINAL RATES.

25. In addition to the basic wage provided in clause 23, the margins and war loadings set out in this clause shall be the minimum rate payable to employees therein named:—

Classification.	Margins Per Week.	Wartime Loadings Per Week.
	s. d.	s. d.
<i>Pipe Moulders making Pipes (other than Steam and Hydraulic Pipes) on a Bank or Cast Vertically.</i>		
Bank pipe moulders—		
5 and 6 inch, headman .. .. .	32 0	6 0
5 and 6 inch, footman .. .. .	21 0	6 0
4 inch and under, headman .. .. .	25 0	6 0
4 inch and under, footman .. .. .	17 0	6 0
Vertical pipe moulders—		
Rammer, coremaker, corer, or caster .. .. .	15 0	6 0
Dresser of pipes, including dresser on emery wheels .. .. .	18 0	6 0
<i>Persons Employed in making Pipes by Machinery.</i>		
Coremakers—		
5 and 6 inch, faucet .. .. .	32 0	6 0
5 and 6 inch, spigot .. .. .	21 0	6 0
4 inch and under, faucet .. .. .	25 0	6 0
4 inch and under, spigot .. .. .	17 0	6 0
Finishers and casters—		
5 and 6 inch .. .. .	32 0	6 0
4 inch and under .. .. .	25 0	6 0
<i>Metal Moulding.</i>		
Jobbing moulder and/or coremaker .. .. .	30 0	6 0
Plate and machine moulder and/or coremaker—		
1st six months' experience .. .. .	16 0	6 0
2nd six months' experience .. .. .	19 0	6 0
3rd six months' experience .. .. .	22 0	6 0
Thereafter .. .. .	27 0	6 0
Dresser and grinder (when using portable machine) .. .. .	20 0	6 0
Dresser and grinder (other) .. .. .	18 0	6 0
Furnaceman—cupola .. .. .	25 0	6 0
Furnaceman—electric .. .. .	24 0	6 0
Furnaceman—other .. .. .	22 0	6 0
Assistant furnaceman .. .. .	16 0	6 0
Loader and unloader of annealing furnace .. .. .	16 0	6 0
Dresser, shot blast and sand blast—		
(a) who operates from outside a properly enclosed cabin .. .. .	16 0	6 0
(b) other .. .. .	26 0	6 0
Employee directly assisting an employee whose margin above the basic wage is 21s. or more	16 0	6 0

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

J. W. RYAN, Secretary.

Melbourne, 12th June, 1947.