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Factories and Shops Acts.

DETERMINATION OF THE SLAUGHTERING FOR EXPORT 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 13th October, 1941, has had the power to "determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any person or classes of persons (other than persons subject to the provisions of any Wages Board heretofore appointed) employed in the meat export trade as—

(a) slaughterers or dressers of sheep, lambs, cattle, pigs, or calves;
(b) boners, trimmers, or labourers;
(c) drovers, stockmen, or penners-up;
(d) skin store workers;"

has made the following Determination, namely:—

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

SECTION A.

SHEEP AND LAMBS.

2. (a) Rates of Pay—

(i) Chain System as hereinafter described—

To slaughtermen employed in Group A, 4s. 9½d. plus 1½d. war loading (total 4s. 11d.) per 100 sheep or lambs slaughtered .. .. } Rams double rates.
To slaughtermen employed in Group B, 50s. 7d. plus 1s. 1½d. war loading (total 51s. 8½d.) per 100 sheep or lambs slaughtered .. .. } Rams double rates.

To learners—

For the first 21 days of employment—

From Monday to Friday inclusive .. .. 27s. plus 1s. 1d. war loading (total 28s. 1d.) per day.
Saturday .. .. 14s. 4½d. plus 7d. war loading (total 14s. 11½d.).

Thereafter until considered competent by the employer—

From Monday to Friday inclusive .. .. 32s. 11d. plus 1s. 1d. war loading (total 34s.) per day.
Saturday .. .. 16s. 9¾d. plus 7d. war loading (total 17s. 4¾d.).

No person under the age of 18 years shall be employed as a learner.

When one team only is employed, the composite rate of 55s. 4½d. plus 1s. 3d. war loading (total 56s. 7½d.) per 100 sheep or lambs slaughtered shall be divided equally between the members of Groups A and B.

When two or more teams are employed, men employed in Group A shall divide 4s. 9½d. plus 1½d. war loading (total 4s. 11d.) per 100 sheep or lambs slaughtered equally between them, and men employed in Group B shall divide 50s. 7d. plus 1s. 1½d. war loading (total 51s. 8½d.) per 100 sheep or lambs slaughtered equally between them.

The following employees shall not be included as members of the team and shall be paid as hereunder:—

To men employed as pointsmen, washers, wipers, and stringers—

Such men shall be paid by the employer at the rate hereinafter prescribed for other labourers, and juvenile wipers, washers, and stringers shall be paid at the rate hereinafter prescribed for juvenile workers.

Employees engaged as trimmers on the chain shall be paid at "Other Labourers" rate for the first 2,000 sheep or lambs handled daily per employee and thereafter an additional daily rate of 6d. per 100 sheep or lambs per employee.

Employees engaged as pushers-in to chain or ring, i.e., feeding from the bleeding rail to the legging table, shall be paid at "Other Labourers" rate for the first 2,000 sheep or lambs handled daily per employee and thereafter an additional daily rate of 9d. per 100 sheep or lambs.

Employees engaged inserting spreader on the chain shall be paid at "Other Labourers" rate for the first 2,000 sheep or lambs handled daily per employee and thereafter an additional daily rate of 6d. per 100 sheep or lambs.

Employees engaged inserting spreader on the ring shall be paid at "Other Labourers" rate for the first 2,000 sheep or lambs handled daily per employee and thereafter an additional daily rate of 6d. per 100 sheep or lambs.

Employees engaged changing from long hook to gambrel and slide on the chain shall be paid at "Other Labourers" rate for the first 2,000 sheep or lambs handled daily per employee and thereafter an additional daily rate of 1s. per 100 sheep or lambs.

Employees engaged changing over on the ring shall be paid at "Other Labourers" rate for the first 3,000 sheep or lambs handled daily per employee and thereafter an additional rate of 6d. per 100 sheep or lambs.

Employees engaged changing to gambrel and slide on the ring shall be paid at "Other Labourers" rate for the first 2,000 sheep or lambs handled daily per employee, and thereafter an additional 6d. per 100 sheep or lambs.

Employees engaged as trimmers on the ring shall be paid at "Other Labourers" rate plus an additional daily rate of 1d. per 100 sheep or lambs handled daily per employee.

Employees engaged on the removal of caul fats on either the ring or chain shall be paid at "Other Labourers" rate plus an additional daily rate of 1d. per 100 sheep or lambs handled daily per employee.

In the event of more than one employee being engaged on one of the before-mentioned tasks, the additional daily rate above 2,000 or 4,000 per employee as the case may be shall be divided between those so employed on such task.

For the purpose of calculating payment in each instance 15 or over in each multiple of 25 sheep or lambs to be paid for as at 25 and under 15 to be disregarded.

(ii) Solo System as hereinafter described—

To slaughtermen employed on the solo system 55s. 4½d. plus 1s. 3d. war loading (total 56s. 7½d.) per 100 sheep or lambs slaughtered. Rams—double rates.

(*b*) Duties of Slaughtermen—

Men employed slaughtering sheep or lambs may be employed upon either the chain system or the solo system.

(i) Chain System.—Slaughtermen slaughtering sheep or lambs upon the chain system shall be organized into a team or teams. Each team shall be divided into the following groups :—

Group A.—Men employed in catching, sticking, shackling.

Group B.—Men employed in skinning hind legs and removing hind trotters, placing long hooks and removing shackle, skinning fore legs, removing tongue and sweetbread, tying weasand, punching briskets, removing spreader, splitting skins, removing front trotters, flanking and thumbing up, clearing tail and rectum gut, punching off skins, scalping and removing heads, gutting, removing pluck, splitting down briskets.

(ii) Solo System.—A slaughterman may be employed in individually performing the complete process of slaughtering, trimming and dressing sheep or lambs. Such slaughterman shall perform, in addition to trimming, such of the duties referred to in the preceding paragraph as are applicable to a solo slaughterman.

(*c*) Daggy, Maggotty, Diseased Sheep and Lambs and Full Wool Sheep :—

(i) Daggy and/or maggotty sheep and old lambs shall be treated before being stuck.

(ii) Double rates shall be paid for diseased sheep and/or lambs which are condemned by the Veterinary Officer or Chief Meat Inspector for diseases contagious to human beings.

(iii) Full wool sheep shall be paid for at rate and a half after 1st September.

(iv) Slaughtering of heavy sheep, woolly or shorn, over 64 lb. graded weight, shall be paid for at rate and a half.

Extra rates prescribed in this Determination shall not be cumulative.

Cattle.

3. (*a*) Rate of Pay to Slaughtermen.—

3s. 2⅝d. plus 1d. war loading (total 3s. 3⅝d.) per head of cattle slaughtered.

Bulls, 500 lb. to 600 lb., freezer weight—rate and a half. Over 600 lb., freezer weight—double rates.

Downer cattle, i.e., cattle which are carted to the killing pen—double rates.

(*b*) Duties of Slaughtermen—

Men slaughtering cattle shall be divided into the following classes—

Class A.—Men employed grounding, backing off, skinning tail.

Class B.—Men employed knocking down, shackling, hoisting to bleeding rail, sticking, cutting off heads, placing heads on slide or table, sawing horns, lowering, footing off, pritching, cutting brisket and aitch, lowering weasand, freeing heart fat, saving sweetbreads, removing caul fat, sawing brisket and aitch, placing rollers, hoisting, wiping, landing, necking off, dropping hide down chute, fronting out, chopping or machine sawing.

Class C.—Men employed spining, wiping hindquarters, washing chine bone, scrubbing ribs and brisket, wiping forequarters.

(*c*) Organization—

(i) Team System.—An employer may organize a team of employees consisting of not less than seven men in the proportion of 2 Class A, 4 Class B, 1 Class C or any multiple thereof. The total earnings shall be divided among the members of such team as follows :—Class A three ninths, Class B five ninths, Class C one ninth. The amount allotted to each class shall be divided equally among the members of such class.

(ii) Gang System.—An employer may permit any number of men, not exceeding six, to form themselves into a gang. The total earnings of such gang shall be divided between the members of such gang in such proportion as shall be mutually agreed upon between the employer and all of the members of such gang.

Calves.

4. Rates of pay to men slaughtering calves on the chain system or by the solo system—

Calves 100 lb. and under, skin on	51s. 6d. plus 1s. 3d. war loading (total 52s. 9d.) per 100 calves.
Calves 100 lb. and under, skin off, mechanically removed	60s. 3¼d. plus 1s. 3d. war loading (total 61s. 6¼d.) per 100 calves.
Calves, 101 lb. to 150 lb., skin on	65s. 9¼d. plus 1s. 3d. war loading (total 67s. 0¼d.) per 100 calves.
Calves, 101 lb. to 150 lb., skin off, mechanically removed	76s. 10¼d. plus 1s. 3d. war loading (total 78s. 1¼d.) per 100 calves.
Calves, 151 lb. to 200 lb., skin on	79s. 0½d. plus 1s. 3d. war loading (total 80s. 3½d.) per 100 calves.
Calves, 151 lb. to 200 lb., skin off, mechanically removed	95s. 6d. plus 1s. 3d. war loading (total 96s. 9d.) per 100 calves.
Calf skinners engaged skinning cold calves—	
Monday to Friday inclusive	28s. 3½d. plus 1s. war loading (total 29s. 3½d.) per day.
Saturday	14s. 6d. plus 1s. war loading (total 15s. 6d.).

The weights referred to above are as stated, either including the weight of skin where the rate is quoted with skin on or excluding the weight of skin where the rate is quoted with skin off.

Pigs.

5. (*a*) Rates of pay to men slaughtering pigs—

Machine dehaired—		
Up to 100 lb.	7·16d. per head	plus 26 per cent., plus 4 per cent. war loading.
101 lb. to 200 lb.	9·47d. per head	
Over 200 lb.	15·6d. per head	
Hand scudded—		
Up to 100 lb.	12·28d. per head	
101 lb. to 200 lb.	15·6d. per head	
Over 200 lb.	24·81d. per head	
If pigs are put through singeing machine 6d. per head shall be added to the above rates.		

(*b*) Duties of slaughtermen slaughtering pigs.—Knocking down or stunning, shackling and hoisting to bleeding rail, sticking, handling into and in scald tank, handling out of scald tank into machine, handling out of machine, scraping, shaving and thoroughly cleaning, opening up and removing viscera, washing and hanging off, chopping or sawing down, washing and tucking up.

RATES OF PAY TO BONERS.

6. Boners may be employed at the daily rates as prescribed in clause 8 hereof or at the following piece-work prices, which in respect of beef, mutton, pork, or veal shall not apply until the following daily quota has been completed:—

(a) (1) When a 5½-day week is worked, the daily quota shall be—

For an ordinary day (Monday to Friday inclusive)—

(i) Beef, 8¾ bodies.
(ii) Mutton, 61 carcasses.
(iii) Calves—
Up to 60 lb., 52 carcasses .. ..
61 lb. to 120 lb., 35 carcasses .. .. } Veal to be ribbed out, or birdcaged.
121 lb. to 200 lb., 17½ carcasses .. .. ..
Over 200 lb. to be paid for at beef prices.
(iv) Pork—
(1) When boned out, rinded and defatted to the satisfaction of the employer—1,740 lb.
(2) When pork has previously been derinded and only requires to be boned out and defatted—2,280 lb.

For a Saturday—

(i) Beef, 3¾ bodies.
(ii) Mutton, 20 carcasses.
(iii) Calves—
Up to 60 lb., 25 carcasses .. ..
61 lb. to 120 lb., 16 carcasses .. .. } Veal to be ribbed out, or birdcaged.
121 lb. to 200 lb., 8 carcasses .. ..
Over 200 lb. to be paid for at beef rates.
(iv) Pork—
(1) When boned out, rinded and defatted to the satisfaction of the employer—825 lb.
(2) When pork has previously been derinded and only requires to be boned out and defatted—1,080 lb.

(2) When a five-day week is worked the quota shall be—

(i) Beef, 9½ bodies.
(ii) Mutton, 65 carcasses.
(iii) Veal—
Up to 60 lb., 57 carcasses .. ..
61 lb. to 120 lb., 38 carcasses .. .. } Veal to be ribbed out, or birdcaged.
121 lb. to 200 lb., 19 carcasses .. .. ..
Over 200 lb. to be paid for at beef prices.
(iv) Pork—
(1) When boned out and rinded and defatted to the satisfaction of the employer—1,900 lb. per day.
(2) When previously derinded and only requires boning and defatting to the satisfaction of the employer—2,490 lb.

(b) Piece-work prices referred to above are—

(i) Mutton, 6½d. for each additional carcass in excess of the daily quota.
Rams shall be paid for at double rates whenever done, and in addition an employee shall be paid 1½d. for each carcass ribbed out and birdcaged.
Sheep over 64 lb. to be paid for at rate and a half.
For the purposes of this sub-clause—
Two flying foxes shall equal one carcass.
Three trunks shall equal two carcasses.
Three pairs of legs shall equal one carcass.
Three pairs of loins shall equal one carcass.
Three pairs of hindquarters shall equal two carcasses.
Five pairs of fore-quarters shall equal two carcasses.

(ii) Beef, 3s. 6d. and 10½d. respectively for each additional body or quarter of beef (all-in-weight) in excess of the daily quota.
Bulls shall be paid for at double rates whenever done.
For the purposes of this sub-clause—
Five briskets shall equal one-quarter of beef.
Two rumps and loins shall equal one-quarter of beef.
Four clods and stickings shall equal one-quarter of beef.
Fifteen shins shall equal one-quarter of beef.
Two necks and blades shall equal one-quarter of beef.
Two ribs and two briskets shall equal one-quarter of beef.
Three crops shall equal two quarters of beef.
Three shoulders shall equal two quarters of beef.
Three chucks and blades shall equal two quarters of beef.
Three horses' heads under three ribs, shall equal two quarters of beef.
Five butts shall equal two quarters of beef.
Seven briskets with shin attached shall equal two quarters of beef.

Surplus fore-quarters being additional fore-quarters to the full bodies treated, horses' heads over three ribs and quarters of ox-beef when being boned out for export cuts (not canning) shall be paid for at the following rates:—

Under 100 lb. .. .. .. 10½d. per quarter
101 lb. to 150 lb. .. .. .. 1s. 1d. per quarter } Bone-in-weight.
Over 150 lb. .. .. .. 1s. 2d. per quarter

(c) Calves—for each additional carcass in excess of the daily quota—

Up to 60 lb., 7d. per carcass .. ..
61 lb. to 120 lb., 10½d. per carcass .. .. } Veal to be ribbed out, or birdcaged.
121 lb. to 200 lb., 1s. 9d. per carcass .. ..
Over 200 lb. to be paid for at beef prices.

For the purposes of this sub-clause—
Two flying foxes of veal shall equal one carcass.
Three trunks of veal shall equal two carcasses.
Three pairs of legs of veal shall equal one carcass.
Three pairs of loins of veal shall equal one carcass.
Three pairs of hind-quarters of veal shall equal two carcasses.
Five pairs of fore-quarters shall equal two carcasses.

(d) Pork—for each additional amount in excess of the daily quota—

(1) When boned out and rinded and defatted to the satisfaction of the employer—1s. 9d. per 100 lb.
(2) When previously derinded and only requires boning and defatting to the satisfaction of the employer—1s. 4d. per 100 lb.

Boners on piece-work shall work 44 hours per week and the standard of boning shall be carried out to the entire satisfaction of the employer.

RATES OF PAY TO SLICERS AND TRIMMERS.

7. Slicers and trimmers may be employed at the daily rates as prescribed in clause 8 hereof or at the following piece-work prices which shall not apply until the following daily quota has been completed :—

(*a*) When a five and a half-day week is worked, the quota shall be—

(1) For an ordinary day (Monday to Friday inclusive)—

(i) Beef—thirteen bodies, provided that when work is done on surplus fore-quarters as defined in clause 6 (*b*) (ii) the quota shall be—

Under 100 lb.	52 quarters.
101 lb. to 150 lb.	48 quarters.
Over 150 lb.	45 quarters.

(ii) Mutton—120 carcasses.

(2) For a Saturday—

(i) Beef—five bodies, provided that when work is done on surplus fore-quarters as defined in clause 6 (*b*) (ii) the quota shall be—

Under 100 lb.	20 quarters.
101 lb. to 150 lb.	20 quarters.
Over 150 lb.	15 quarters.

(ii) Mutton—50 carcasses.

(*b*) When a five-day week is worked, the quota shall be—

(i) Beef—fourteen bodies, provided that when work is done on surplus fore-quarters as defined in clause 6 (*b*) (ii) the quota shall be—

Under 100 lb.	56 quarters.
101 lb. to 150 lb.	52 quarters.
Over 150 lb.	48 quarters.

(ii) Mutton—130 carcasses.

(*c*) Piece-work prices referred to above are—

(i) Mutton—2·78d. for each additional carcass in excess of the daily quota.

(ii) Beef—2s. 1·86d. for each additional body in excess of the daily quota provided that when surplus fore-quarters as defined in clause 6 (*b*) (ii) are done the following prices shall be paid for each additional fore-quarter in excess of the daily quota—

Under 100 lb.	6·46d. per quarter.
101 lb. to 150 lb.	6·96d. per quarter.
Over 150 lb.	7·54d. per quarter.

(*d*) Bull beef (excluding surplus fore-quarters) shall be paid for at 50 per cent. above ordinary rates.

Slicers and Trimmers on piece-work shall work 44 hours per week and the standard of slicing and trimming shall be carried out to the entire satisfaction of the employer.

8. WAGES.

APPRENTICES AND IMPROVERS. (Solo System Only).

	Weekly Wage. £ s. d.
1st year's experience	2 14 2
2nd " "	3 5 0
3rd " "	3 14 3
4th " "	4 18 6
5th " "	Minimum wage

PROPORTION (BY ANY EMPLOYER).

Apprentices.

One apprentice to every three or fraction of three workers receiving not less than the minimum wage prescribed by this Determination.

Improvers.

Such number of improvers as shall not, together with apprentices, exceed, in the aggregate, one to every three or fraction of three adult weekly workers receiving not less than the minimum wage.

OTHER EMPLOYEES.

—	Wages per day when a 5½-day week is worked.					
	Ordinary Wage Monday to Friday.	War Loading Monday to Friday.	Total Wage Monday to Friday.	Ordinary Wage Saturday.	War Loading Saturday.	Total Wage Saturday.
	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
Boners (Beef and Mutton)	29 2	1 1	30 3	14 1¾	0 7	14 8¾
Head and Feet Boners— (i) Sheep and Lambs—skinning, cheeking, splitting heads, and removing brains (ii) Cattle—removing face pieces and cheeks, chopping heads, removing brains, skinning feet, removing sinews and hoofs	27 1¼	0 8	27 9¼	14 1¾	0 7	14 8¾
Slicers and Trimmers	26 7½	0 8	27 3½	13 8	0 8	14 4
Labourers trimming, cleaning, scalding and picking tripe	27 1¼	0 8	27 9¼	14 1¾	0 7	14 8¾
Boners' Labourers	25 10	0 6	26 4	13 3½	0 6	13 9¼
Skin Shed Labourers	25 7	0 6	26 1	13 6	0 6	14 0
Other Labourers	26 9½	0 8	27 5½	13 9¾	0 8	14 5¾

JUVENILE WORKERS. For definition, see Clause 11.

—	Wages per Day.	
	Monday to Friday.	Saturday.
	s. d.	s. d.
16 years and under 17 years	9 5	3 7
17 years and under 18 years	9 11	3 10
18 years and under 19 years	11 11	4 10
19 years and under 20 years	13 11	4 10
20 years and under 21 years	17 11	6 10

—	Wages per day when a 5-day week is worked.		
	Ordinary Daily Wage.	War Loading Daily.	Total Daily Wage.
	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
Boners (Beef and Mutton)	31 $11^{19}/_{20}$	1 $2^{2}/_{5}$	33 $2^{7}/_{20}$
Head and Feet Boners— (i) Sheep and Lambs—skinning, cheeking, splitting heads and removing brains (ii) Cattle—removing face pieces and cheeks, chopping heads, removing brains, skinning feet, removing sinews and hoofs	29 $11^{1}/_{5}$	0 $9^{2}/_{5}$	30 $8^{3}/_{5}$
Slicers and Trimmers	29 $4^{3}/_{10}$	0 $9^{3}/_{5}$	30 $1^{9}/_{10}$
Labourers trimming, cleaning, scalding, and picking tripe	29 $11^{1}/_{5}$	0 $9^{2}/_{5}$	30 $8^{3}/_{5}$
Boners' Labourers	28 $5^{17}/_{20}$	0 $7^{1}/_{5}$	29 $1^{1}/_{20}$

TIMES OF BEGINNING AND ENDING WORK.

9. Skin Shed Labourers—

	Time of Beginning.	Time of Ending.
From Monday to Friday inclusive	7.30 a.m.	5 p.m.
Saturday	7.30 a.m.	11 a.m.

Boners, slices, and trimmers, and boners' labourers may work the week in five days by mutual arrangement with the employer at times commencing not earlier than 7 a.m. and not later than 7.30 a.m.

All other employees—

	Time of Beginning.	Time of Ending.
From Monday to Friday inclusive	7.15 a.m.	4.45 p.m.
Saturday	7.15 a.m.	10.50 a.m.

OVERTIME.

10. When a six-day week is worked—

From Monday to Friday inclusive—

Outside the times of beginning and ending work, or in excess of 8 hours 10 minutes work, time and a half or rate and a half.

Saturday—

Outside the times of beginning and ending work, or in excess of 3 hours 10 minutes work, time and a half or rate and a half.

When a five-day week is worked—

All time worked in excess of 8 hours 48 minutes on Monday to Friday inclusive and all time worked on Saturday, time and a half or rate and a half.

NOTE.—Overtime and penalty rates shall be calculated on ordinary rates of pay, excluding war loadings.

DEFINITION.

11. A juvenile worker shall mean a person under 21 years of age employed only in performing one or more of the following tasks, viz. ;—Washing, wiping, stringing, picking sweetbreads and crown fat, packing kidneys and livers, tying on tags and strings, pinning tails, picking up wool pieces, veining, sweeping, carrying gambrels, slides and spreaders, washing and packing hearts, stamp-marking carcasses, feeding grade elevator, working in the beef house for the purpose of learning the trade.

WAITING TIME.

12. (*a*) If any employee covered by the team slaughtering clause comes to work at an hour specified by the employer, or if he comes to work at the usual hour without being notified previously that he shall not be required, he shall (except in the case hereinafter mentioned) be paid as from that hour at the rate of 3s. per hour until he be started work on that day, or until one hour after notice that he shall not be required on that day. The excepted case is that of his being started at work within 5 minutes after the hour specified or usual time, as the case may be.

(*b*) When slaughtermen, at the request of employers, have to wait the arrival of stock, or have interrupted killings during the day for causes other than a break down of machinery, they shall be entitled to payment after the first fifteen minutes at the rate of 3s. per hour for such delay.

(*c*) When the minimum period in either section of this clause is exceeded, the payment for waiting time shall commence from the beginning of the period.

MEAL TIME.

13. (*a*) Stickers shall be allowed one hour for a meal between 11.45 a.m. and 12.45 p.m.

(*b*) Team slaughtermen shall be allowed one hour for a meal between 12 noon and 1.15 p.m.

(*c*) All other employees shall be allowed one hour for a meal between 12 noon and 1.30 p.m.

SMOKOS.

14. All employees shall be allowed fifteen minutes smoko between 9 a.m. and 10 a.m., and fifteen minutes smoko between 3 p.m. and 4 p.m. ; provided that stickers shall commence their smokos fifteen minutes earlier than the team slaughtermen.

GRINDSTONES.

15. An employer shall provide grindstones in the proportion of one grindstone to every 20 slaughtermen employed by him.

WATERPROOF CLOTHING.

16. Waterproof boots and waterproof aprons shall be provided by the employer free of charge to employees engaged as washers and scrubbers, and to employees engaged cleaning, scalding, and picking tripe. Canvas aprons shall be provided to employees treating offal. Such boots and aprons shall remain the property of the employer.

SPECIAL RATES.

17. Slaughtermen shall be paid double rate and all other employees shall be paid double time for all work done on Sundays, Christmas Day, Boxing Day, New Year's Day, Australia Day, Labour Day, Good Friday, Easter Monday, Cup Day, and Butchers' Picnic Day ; but, if any other day be by Act of Parliament or Proclamation substituted for any of the above-named holidays, the special rate shall only be payable for work done on the day so substituted.

HOLIDAYS.

18. (*a*) All employees (other than slaughtermen) shall be entitled to the ten holidays hereinafter mentioned at ordinary daily rates of pay, provided that such employee has been employed during any portion of the working week in which any one or more of such holidays is observed, viz. :—Christmas Day, Boxing Day, New Year's Day, Australia Day, Labour Day, Anzac Day, Good Friday, Easter Monday, Cup Day, and Butchers' Picnic Day ; but, if any other day be by Act of Parliament or Proclamation substituted for any of the above-mentioned holidays in any place, all employees in that place shall be entitled to such day in lieu of the holiday for which it was substituted.

(*b*) Slaughtermen shall be entitled to the ten holidays mentioned in sub-clause (*a*) hereof and shall be paid for same at the average of their earnings for the week immediately preceding such holiday.

ANNUAL HOLIDAY.

19. 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.

(In his or her own interests each employer of labour should obtain a copy of the above Act which may be purchased from the Government Printer, Melbourne, at a cost of 9d., plus postage.)

WEIGHTS.

20. All weights referred to shall mean the frozen weights of animals slaughtered.

SKINS.

21. Skins and hides shall be taken off free from cuts and tears.

TALLY BOARD.

22. Each employer using the team system of slaughtering shall cause to be hung in a conspicuous place a blackboard, on which shall be recorded the daily tally and the number of men on each chain.

PAY DAY.

23. Wages shall be paid weekly and not later than Friday, provided that where killing has ceased for the working week wages shall be paid on the day in which such cessation occurs.

MEAL ALLOWANCE.

24. Employees required to work overtime for more than one and a half hours on any day without having been notified on the preceding day that they would be required so to work shall be paid the amount of 2s. in addition to any overtime payment to which they may be entitled.

KNIVES TO BE SUPPLIED.

25. Knives which shall remain the property of the employer shall be supplied under the following conditions to labourers when necessary for the performance of their duties :—

(i) They shall be returned to the employer on termination of the employment or at the end of the season.

(ii) If such knives are not returned the employer shall be entitled to deduct their cost from any money owing to the employee.

RIGHT OF ENTRY.

26. A duly accredited representative of the Australasian Meat Industry Employees Union shall have the right to enter employers' premises during the meal hour for the purpose of interviewing employees on legitimate Union business on the following conditions :—

(a) That he produces his authority to the manager or such other person as may be appointed by the employer.

(b) That he interviews employees only at the place where they are taking their meal.

(c) That not more than one representative visits the premises at any one time.

(d) That not more than one representative visits the same premises more than once in a week ; and

(e) That, if any employer allege that a representative is unduly interfering with his business 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.

SECTION B.

DROVERS, STOCKMEN, OR PENNERS-UP.

27. ADULT WORKERS.

Men picking up stock at Newmarket Sale Yards—26s. 0¾d. plus 6d. war loading (total, 26s. 6¾d.), per day.

Men droving stock from Newmarket Sale Yards to Imperial Freezing Works, Lynch-street, Footscray—9s. 10d. plus 2d. war loading (total, 10s.), per trip.

Men droving stock from Newmarket Sale Yards to—

(a) Western and Murray, Geelong-road, Brooklyn .. ..
(b) Thos. Borthwick and Sons (A'sia.) Ltd., Brooklyn .. .. ..
(c) Sims Cooper Freezing Works, Newport .. ..
} 30s. 8d., plus 6d. war loading (total, 31s. 2d.), per trip.

Men on trips to the country for the purpose of lifting stock and delivering same to Freezing Works—31s. 8d., plus 6d. war loading (total, 32s. 2d.), per day, including Saturdays and Sundays.

Penners-Up—

Monday to Friday—26s. 10d. plus 8d. war loading (total 27s. 6d.), per day.

Saturday—13s. 9¾d. plus 8d. war loading (total, 14s. 5¾d.).

All others—

Monday to Friday—25s. 6d., plus 6d. war loading (total, 26s.), per day.

Saturday—13s. 6d., plus 6d. war loading (total, 14s.).

28. JUVENILE WORKERS.

	Wages per Day.	
	Monday to Friday.	Saturday.
	s. d.	s. d.
16 years of age and under 17 years of age	9 5	3 7
17 years of age and under 18 years of age	9 11	3 10
18 years of age and under 19 years of age	11 11	4 10
19 years of age and under 20 years of age	13 11	4 10
20 years of age and under 21 years of age	17 11	6 10

TIME OF BEGINNING AND ENDING WORK.

	Time of Beginning.	Time of Ending.
29. Monday to Saturday	6 a.m.	6 p.m.

OVERTIME.

30. (a) Outside the times of beginning and ending work .. ..
(b) Within the times of beginning and ending work in excess of 10 hours in any one day or 44 hours in any one week .. ..
} Time and a half.

NOTE.—Overtime and penalty rates shall be calculated on ordinary rates of pay, excluding war loadings.

SPECIAL RATES.

31. Employees shall be paid double time for all work done on Sundays, Christmas Day, Boxing Day, New Year's Day, Australia Day, Labour Day, Anzac Day, Good Friday, Easter Monday, Cup Day, and Butchers' Picnic Day; provided that employees called upon to work on any of the aforementioned days shall be paid for a minimum of 4 hours work; provided further that men on trips to the country for the purpose of lifting stock and delivering same to Freezing Works shall not be entitled to double time for work done on Sundays.

ANNUAL LEAVE OF ABSENCE.

32. Any employee on the completion of twelve months' service with an employer may, at a time arranged with the employer, take two weeks' leave of absence.

NOTE.—For the purpose of this clause, two weeks' Annual Leave and six days' Sick Leave is progressively paid for by the addition of an added rate as the case may be to the hourly, daily, and/or piece-work rates of pay.

EXPENSES.

33. The employer shall pay all out-of-pocket expenses reasonably and necessarily incurred by the employee whilst on trips to the country for the purpose of lifting stock.

ALLOWANCE FOR DOGS.

34. An amount of one shilling per day shall be paid by the employer to each drover, stockman, or penner-up towards the maintenance of the dog or dogs (irrespective of the number) used by each such drover, stockman, or penner-up in the course of his carrying out the job or service required by that employer.

P. A. RANDLES, J.P., Chairman.

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Factories and Shops Acts.

DETERMINATION OF THE FROZEN GOODS 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 now has 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 process, trade, business or occupation of freezing or refrigerating goods of any kind for the purpose of trade or sale, including the packing or grading of such goods but not including—

(*a*) persons engaged in packing or grading eggs;
(*b*) persons engaged in packing ice-cream;
(*c*) persons engaged in the slaughtering and boning departments of meat works or abattoirs in the preparation and packing of meats, offals, and by-products in a fresh condition;
(*d*) persons subject to the jurisdiction of the Fruit Packing Board and of the Ice Board;

has made the following Determination, namely:—

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

WAGES.

2. (i) Until the beginning of the first pay period to commence in November, 1947.

Improvers and Juvenile Workers.

—	Weekly Rate.	*War Loading.	Total Weekly Wage.	Per Hour.
	£ s. d.	s. d.	£ s. d.	s. d.
16 years of age and under 17	2 10 5	0 11	2 11 4	1 2
17 ,, ,, ,, 18	2 15 11	0 11	2 16 10	1 3½
18 ,, ,, ,, 19	3 4 2	1 10	3 6 0	1 6
19 ,, ,, ,, 20	3 15 2	1 10	3 17 0	1 9
20 ,, ,, ,, 21	4 16 3	2 9	4 19 0	2 3

For definition of juvenile workers see clause 11.

PROPORTION OF IMPROVERS.

One improver to every 25 or fraction of 25 workers receiving not less than the hourly rate herein prescribed for "all others."

Other Employees.

—	Per Week. Weekly Rate.	*War Loading.	Total Weekly Wage.	Per Hour.
	£ s. d.	s. d.	£ s. d.	s. d.
Chamber hands	7 18 6	4 0	8 2 6	3 $8^{7}/_{22}$
All others ..	7 5·10	4 0	7 9 10	3 $4^{19}/_{22}$

Temporary workers shall be paid time and a half on the ordinary rates for work done during ordinary working hours. For work done outside those hours they shall receive ordinary overtime rates.

(ii) Thereafter.

Improvers and Juvenile Workers.

—	Weekly Rate.	*War Loading.	Total Weekly Wage.	Per Hour.
	£ s. d.	s. d.	£ s. d.	s. d.
16 years of age and under 17	2 10 5	0 11	2 11 4	1 2
17 ,, ,, ,, 18	2 15 11	0 11	2 16 10	1 3½
18 ,, ,, ,, 19	3 5 1	1 10	3 6 11	1 6¼
19 ,, ,, ,, 20	3 16 1	1 10	3 17 11	1 9¼
20 ,, ,, ,, 21	4 17 2	2 9	4 19 11	2 3¼

For definition of juvenile workers, see clause 11.

PROPORTION OF IMPROVERS.

One improver to every 25 or fraction of 25 workers receiving not less than the hourly rate herein prescribed for "all others".

Other Employees.

—	Per Week. Weekly Rate.	*War Loading.	Total Weekly Wage.	Per Hour.
	£ s. d.	s. d.	£ s. d.	s. d.
Chamber hands	7 19 6	4 0	8 3 6	3 $8^{12}/_{22}$
All others ..	7 6 10	4 0	7 10 10	3 $5^{3}/_{22}$

Temporary workers shall be paid time and a half on the ordinary rates for work done during ordinary working hours. For work done outside those hours they shall receive ordinary overtime rates.

*** The War Loading shall not be taken into account in the calculation of overtime and holiday rates.**

NOTE.—The Wages Board has determined in accordance with section 25 (1) of the amended *Factories and Shops Act* 1934 that the trade is so unskilful that no person should be taken as an apprentice to the trade.

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ORDINARY WEEK'S WORK.

3. The number of hours which shall constitute a week's work shall be 44.

TIMES OF BEGINNING AND ENDING WORK.

4. The times of beginning and ending work each day shall be as follows :—

—	Time of Beginning.	Time of Ending.
(a) Meat Export Works.		
Hanging ground and grading room hands—		
Monday to Friday	7.45 a.m.	5.15 p.m.
Saturday	7.45 a.m.	12 noon
Chamber hands—		
Monday to Friday	8 a.m.	5 p.m.
Saturday	8 a.m.	12 noon
(b) Cool Stores Works.		
All employees—		
Monday to Friday	8 a.m.	5 p.m.
Saturday	8 a.m.	12 noon

OVERTIME.

5. The following rates, subject to the conditions stated in clause 7, shall be paid for all work done :—

(a) Outside the times of beginning and ending work as provided in clause 4.

(i) On Saturdays.—Time and a half fixed on the ordinary rates before starting time and double time on ordinary rates after 12 noon.

(ii) On other week days.—Time and a half.

(b) With in the hours fixed as the time of beginning and ending work :—

(i) In excess of four hours on Saturday and eight hours on other week days.—Time and a half.

(ii) In excess of the number of hours fixed for a week's work in clause 3.—Time and a half.

The overtime rates payable for work done on Sundays and holidays are provided for in clause 8.

LIMITATION OF HOURS OF WORK.

6. (i) No employee shall be required to work more than 16 hours in any one day.

(ii) No employee shall be repuired to work more than 12 hours' overtime in any one week provided that this limitation of overtime shall not apply to loading out for shipment.

MINIMUM OF OVERTIME.

7. If an employee is required to work more than one hour and a half on any day after the time of ending work as provided in clause 4 or if having ceased work for the day for not less than one hour, and is required to work, he shall receive a minimum of two hours' pay at overtime rates.

SPECIAL RATES FOR SUNDAYS AND HOLIDAYS.

8. (a) Double time fixed on the ordinary rates shall be paid for all work done on Sundays, New Year's Day, Union Picnic Day, Australia Day, Labour Day, Anzac Day, Good Friday, Easter Monday, Melbourne Cup Day, Christmas Day, and Boxing Day, but if any other day be by Act of Parliament or Proclamation substituted for any of the abovenamed holidays, the special rate shall be payable only for work done on the day so substituted.

An employee required to work on a Sunday or a holiday shall receive a minimum of four (4) hours' work or shall be paid for such four hours at double rates, and if required to work in excess of eight hours on a Sunday or a holiday, shall be paid treble ordinary rates for such excess work.

(b) Any person (other than a temporary worker) if not required to work on any day mentioned in clause 8 (a) as a holiday shall receive a day's pay (based on his ordinary rates) for such day provided that he is required to work for any portion of the working week in which such holiday occurs, but any person who is required to work on a holiday for a period of less than eight hours shall receive double ordinary rate for the time so worked in addition to the ordinary rate for the balance of eight hours.

ANNUAL HOLIDAY.

9. The annual holiday shall be as prescribed by the provisions of the *Factories and Shops (Annual Holidays) Act* 1946, No. 511, and any amendments which may be made thereto from time to time.

SICK LEAVE.

10. (a) Any employee who has been in the employment of the same employer for a period of not less than three months and who does not attend for duty shall lose his pay for the actual time lost unless such employee produces or forwards within 24 hours of the commencement of such absence evidence satisfactory to the employer that his non-attendance was due to personal ill-health or accident necessitating such absence, but such employee shall not be entitled to payment for non-attendance on the ground of personal ill-health or accident for more than six days in each year of service or a proportionately less time during any shorter period of employment.

(b) If the full period of sick leave as prescribed in sub-clause (a) hereof 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 twelve days which shall be the maximum amount of leave to which any employee shall be entitled in any year without deduction of pay.

DEFINITIONS.

11. (a) A juvenile worker shall mean a person under 21 years of age (other than an improver) engaged in stamp marking carcasses, stamping, stringing and putting on tickets, handling or packing offals or by-products, scraping, nailing up, re-wiring, and branding packages, but not stacking cases of butter or eggs, sweeping up and acting as an assistant to a Government Inspector.

(b) No improver or juvenile worker shall lift any article of a weight in excess of 50 pounds.

(c) A temporary worker shall mean any person (including a juvenile worker) other than a hanging ground or grading room employee who is employed for less than three full consecutive working days. Saturdays, Sundays, and holidays are not to be counted as working days, i.e., Friday, Monday, and Tuesday would be three consecutive working days whether Saturday or Sunday is worked or not.

GENERAL CONDITIONS.

MEAL HOURS.

12. (*a*) All work done during a meal hour shall be paid for at the rate of double time, fixed on the wage for the day on which such meal hour is worked.

(*b*) *Meat Export Works.*—Breakfast. A period of one hour between the hours of 6 a.m. and 9 a.m. shall be allowed for breakfast. Dinner—One hour between 12 noon and 1.30 p.m. shall be observed as a dinner hour. Tea—when work is to be continued for more than one and a quarter hours after the time fixed for ending work in clause 4 (*a*) one hour between 5 p.m. and 6.30 p.m. shall be observed as a tea hour, and if such overtime is to finish not later than midnight, work shall then proceed uninterruptedly (except for a smoke-oh as provided in clause 13). If however, work is to continue after midnight, one hour (before midnight) shall be observed as a meal hour, and thereafter, one meal hour after each four hours' work.

(*c*) *Cool Store Works.*—Not more than five hours shall be worked by employees in cool stores working between 7 a.m. and 6 p.m. without an interval of one hour for a meal. If work is to continue after 7 p.m., the hour from 5 p.m. to 6 p.m. shall be observed as a meal hour. If, however, work is to continue after midnight one hour (before midnight) shall be observed as a meal hour, and thereafter, one meal hour after each four hours' work.

SMOKE-OH.

13. Fifteen minutes interval without loss of pay shall be allowed for smoke-oh between ordinary starting time in the morning and 12 noon, and fifteen minutes between 1 p.m. and 6 p.m., provided that no employee shall be required to work for more than 2½ hours without a smoke-oh.

Provided also that employees who commence work before 7 a.m. and have no breakfast hour shall be allowed an interval of fifteen minutes without loss of pay at the end of each two hours' work until dinner hour. If men are required to work after 6 p.m. an interval of fifteen minutes without loss of pay after every two hours' work shall be allowed.

Notwithstanding anything provided elsewhere in this clause when five hours are worked between meal times, the smoke-oh shall consist of twenty minutes.

CHANGING TIME.

14. Chamber hands shall be allowed five minutes changing time at the end of the day's work, such time to be counted as time worked.

WAITING TIME.

15. When an employee has been instructed to report at a certain hour and is kept waiting before he commences work such waiting time shall be paid for at ordinary rates provided for the class of work to be done.

MINIMUM HOURS OF WORK.

16. An employee required to work on any day within the hours set out in clause 4 (*a*) or (*b*) shall be given a minimum of 3½ hours' work on Saturdays, and 8 hours on other days (except Sundays or holidays) or shall be paid for same, but they may be worked for any period beyond the hours fixed in clause 4 until such amount has been absorbed in payment at the rate applicable to the time worked. This clause shall not apply if there has been a breakdown in the machinery or if work cannot be proceeded with due to a sectional strike. Any employee called to work exclusively outside the hours set out in clause 4 (*a*) or 4 (*b*), as the case may be, shall be given a minimum of 4 hours' work or shall be paid for same.

LEAKAGE OF AMMONIA.

17. No employee shall be required to work in a chamber where a leakage of ammonia is occurring.

CONTINUATION OF WORK BETWEEN MIDNIGHT AND TIME OF COMMENCING WORK AS SET OUT IN CLAUSE 4.

18. When an employee works for more than 2 hours between midnight and the ordinary time of commencing work, and continues to work during the day, the special rate provided in clause 5 (*a*) for work done outside the hours fixed for a day's work, shall continue to be paid for all work done until the employee has had a clear break from work of 12 hours.

CONTINUITY OF WORK.

19. The work of each employee on each day shall be continuous with the customary break for a meal.

COLD TEMPERATURES.

20. Employees called upon to work in a temperature less than four degrees above zero shall be paid 3d. per hour extra. No employee shall be compelled to work in a temperature below zero, and an employee who becomes overheated working outside a cool chamber shall be allowed time to cool down before entering the chamber. This provision shall be reasonably construed. In the event of any question as to the temperature of any chamber, reasonable access to the temperature readings shall be given to a representative of employees.

EMPLOYEES WORKING IN A FREEZING CHAMBER.

21. (*a*) No employee shall work in a freezing chamber, the temperature of which does not exceed 40 degrees Fahr. unless he is paid according to the rates provided for chamber hands in clause 2 hereof.

(*b*) Any employee who is required to work in a freezing chamber for a period exceeding in the aggregate one hour in any one day shall be paid for the whole of such day at the rate set out for chamber hands in clause 2 hereof.

MEAL ALLOWANCE.

22. (*a*) An employee required to work overtime for more than one and a quarter hours in Meat Export Works after the time of ending work in clause 4, shall be paid 3s. tea money provided that if intimation of overtime is not given 24 hours prior to being worked the tea money shall be paid prior to the tea interval. If having been notified of intention to work he shall receive, in the event of the work not being done or ceasing before respective meal times, 3s. for each meal.

(*b*) An employee required to work in Cool Stores for more than nine hours from the time of commencing work shall be paid 3s. tea money provided that if intimation of overtime is not given 24 hours prior to being worked the tea money shall be paid prior to the tea interval. If having been notified of intention to work he shall receive, in the event of the work not being done or ceasing before respective meal times, 3s. for each meal.

TERMINATION OF EMPLOYMENT.

23. Employees may be paid off at any time without notice.

PROVISION OF OUTFIT.

24. The following articles shall be provided at each place where work under this Determination is done :—

(*a*) An ammonia outfit which shall be kept adjacent to the chambers.

(*b*) An alarm outfit in each chamber, such outfit to be connected with the engine-room.

(*c*) Waterproof capes and caps for use of employees engaged in de-frosting.

(*d*) Bagging for moccasins and suitable hand covering for use of chamber hands.

(*e*) Smocks or coats for persons pushing, carrying, or lifting hot meat or de-frosted meat, fresh or de-frosted rabbits, poultry, fish or cheese.

PERIODICAL ADJUSTMENT OF WAGES.

25. The wages rates set out in clause 2 are based upon the following basic wage and, pursuant to the provisions of Section 21 of the *Factories and Shops Act* 1934, the Board hereby determines that such rates shall be automatically adjusted as prescribed by Clause 26. Provided that the wages of improvers and juvenile workers shall be adjusted proportionately to adjustments of the basic wage, such adjustments to be to the nearest farthing in the hourly rate.

Basic Wage.

Place.	Needs Basic Wage.	Loading Constant.	Total Basic Wage.	Index Number Set Assigned.
	£ s. d.	s. d.	£ s. d.	
Within the area to which this Determination applies	5 3 0	6 0	5 9 0	Melbourne

ADJUSTMENT OF BASIC WAGE.

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

(*b*) Until the beginning of the first pay period to commence in February, 1948, the amounts of the Basic Wage shall be as prescribed in clause 25.

(*c*) During each future successive period beginning with the first pay period to commence in a February, a May, an August, or a November, 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.

P. A. RANDLES, J.P., Chairman.

J. V. WILLOX, Secretary.

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Factories and Shops Acts.

DETERMINATION OF THE ANIMAL MANURE BOARD.

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

(*b*) On 25th May, 1914, the powers of the Annimal Manure Board were extended to enable it to fix the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any persons employed in the process, trade, or business of the extraction of tallow.

IN accordance with the provisions of the Factories and Shops Acts, the Wages Board appointed to "determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any persons employed in the process, trade, or business of the manufacture of manure from animal matter," has made the following Determination, namely :—

1. That as from the beginning of the first pay period to commence on or after the 21st October, 1947, the last previous Determination of this Board, shall be revoked and replaced by this Determination.

2. (i) Until the beginning of the first pay period to commence in November, 1947.

Apprentices or Improvers.

WAGES PER WEEK.	Weekly Rate.	*War Loading (Non-adjustable).	Total Weekly Wage.
	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
Under 16 years of age ..	58 10	1 6	60 4
16 years of age and under 17 years of age	63 7	1 8	65 3
17 years of age and under 19 years of age	82 1	2 1	84 2
19 years of age and under 20 years of age	94 5	2 5	96 10
20 years of age and under 21 years of age	106 6	2 9	109 3

PROPORTION (by any Employer).

Apprentices.

One apprentice to every three or fraction of three workers receiving not less than 147s. per week.

An indenture of apprenticeship has been prescribed by the Board.

Inprovers.

One improver to every four workers receiving not less than 147s. per week.

Other Employees.

WAGES PER WEEK.	Weekly Rate.	*War Loading (Non-adjustable).	Total Weekly Wage.
	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
Carcass skinners	149 0	4 0	153 0
All others	143 0	4 0	147 0

Afternoon shift employees shall receive an additional 10 per cent. per week.

Night shift employees shall receive an additional 10 per cent. per week.

Leading hands on afternoon or night shift shall receive an additional 1s. per shift.

(ii) Thereafter

Apprentices or Improvers.			
Wages per Week.	Weekly Rate.	*War Loading (Non-adjustable).	Total Weekly Wage.
	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
Under 16 years of age ..	59 5	1 6	60 11
16 years of age and under 17 years of age	64 2	1 8	65 10
17 years of age and under 19 years of age	82 11	2 1	85 0
19 years of age and under 20 years of age	95 4	2 5	97 9
20 years of age and under 21 years of age	107 6	2 9	110 3

Proportion (by any Employer).

Apprentices.

One apprentice to every three or fraction of three workers receiving not less than 148s. per week.

An indenture of apprenticeship has been prescribed by the Board.

Improvers.

One improver to every four workers receiving not less than 148s. per week.

Other Employees.			
Wages per Week.	Weekly Rate.	*War Loading (Non-adjustable).	Total Weekly Wage.
	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
Carcass skinners	150 0	4 0	154 0
All others	144 0	4 0	148 0

Afternoon shift employees shall receive an additional 10 per per week.

Night shift employees shall receive an additional 10 per cent. per week.

Leading hands on afternoon or night shift shall receive an additional 1s. per shift.

* *Note.*—The War Loading shall not be taken into account in the calculation of overtime and other penalty rates prescribed by this Determination.

Heat Allowance.

3. Any employee required to work in the dry rendering section artificially heated to more than 18 degrees Fahr. above the outside temperature shall be paid a heat allowance of 3d. per hour: Provided that no heat allowance shall be payable if the outside temperature does not exceed 87 degrees Fahr.

Notwithstanding anything herein contained where eight or more melting pots are in operation the allowance of 3d. per hour shall be paid for the whole shift.

Casual Employee.

4. A "casual employee" shall be paid the ordinary rate with the addition of 12½ per centum. For the purpose of this clause a "casual employee" shall mean a person who works less than three full days in any one week.

Hours of Work.

5. The maximum number of hours to be worked, without payment for overtime, shall be—

(*a*) Day work—

(i) 44 hours per week;

(ii) 8 hours per day on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday between the hours of 7 a.m. and 530 p.m., and

4 hours on Saturday between the hours of 7 a.m. and 12 noon.

(*b*) Shift work—

(i) 44 hours per week or by mutual agreement between any employer and his employees 88 hours per fortnight, with a maximum of 48 hours in any one week;

(ii) 8 hours per day on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday, and Sunday.

Overtime.

6. All time worked in excess of the number of hours prescribed in clause 5 shall be paid for at the rate of time and a half.

Holidays.

7. All weekly wage employees shall be granted the following holidays without deduction of pay:—New Year's Day, Australia Day, Good Friday, Easter Monday, Labour Day, Anzac Day, Melbourne Cup Day, Christmas Day, Boxing Day, and Butchers' Picnic Day, but if any other day be by Act of Parliament or Proclamation substituted for any of the abovenamed holidays in any place, all employees in that place shall be entitled to such day in lieu of the holiday for which it was substituted.

Annual Leave.

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*) Any employee, provided he has had at least three months' continuous service with the same employer and whose conditions of employment is on a weekly basis as provided for in clause 10 of this Determination, shall lose his pay for the actual time of such non-attendance unless he produces or forwards within 24 hours of the commencement of such absence evidence satisfactory to his employer that his non-attendance was due to personal accident arising out of and in the course of his employment or to personal ill-health necessitating such absence.

(*b*) Provided that an employee shall not be entitled to payment for non-attendance on the ground of personal accident or personal ill-health or both for more than six (6) days in each year of employment.

(*c*) 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 twelve days, which shall be the maximum amount of leave to which an employee may be entitled in any year without deduction of pay.

For the purposes of this sub-clause service prior to the 3rd June, 1943, shall be disregarded.

Terms of Engagement.

10. Employment shall be by the week and any employee (other than casual employees as provided for in clause 4) willing and available to work shall in respect of each week of his employmsnt be paid the full weekly wage fixed by this Determination; provided that such employee not attending for duty shall, except as provided by clause 9 of this Determination, lose his pay for the actual time of such non-attendance; provided further that this does not interfere with the right o the employer to dismiss an employee at any time without giving reasons and that such employee shall be paid up to the time of dismissal only.

TEA MONEY.

11. Employees required to work overtime for more than one and a half hours on any one day without having been notified on the preceding day that they would be required so to work shall be paid the amount of two (2) shillings in addition to any overtime payment to which they may be entitled.

HANDLING OF CONDEMNED CARCASSES.

12. The employer shall provide ample quantities of hot water, soap and disinfectant (such as cyllin, izol etc.) for the use of employees required to handle carcasses of animals condemned by meat inspectors as unfit for human consumption because of disease.

KNIVES TO BE SUPPLIED.

13. Knives, which shall remain the property of the employer, shall be supplied under the following conditions to carcass skinners when necessary for the performance of their duties :—

(1) They shall be returned to the employer on termination of the employment.

(2) If such knives are not returned the employer shall be entitled to deduct their cost from any money owing to the employee.

SPECIAL RATES.

14. Double time shall be paid for all work done on Sundays and holidays specified in clause 7.

PERIODICAL ADJUSTMENT OF WAGES.

15. 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 16. Provided that the wages of apprentices and improvers shall be adjusted proportionately to adjustments of the basic wage, such adjustments to be to the nearest 1d., half or less than half of a 1d. to be disregarded.

Basic Wage.

Place.	Needs Basic Wage.	Loading Constant.	Total Basic Wage.	Index Number Set Assigned.
	£ s. d.	s. d.	£ s. d.	
Throughout the State	5 3 0	6 0	5 9 0	Melbourne

ADJUSTMENT OF BASIC WAGE.

16. (*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 February, 1948, the amounts of the Basic Wage shall be as prescribed in clause 15.

(*c*) During each future successive period beginning with the first pay period to commence in a February, a May, an August, or a November, 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.

P. A. RANDLES, J.P., Chairman.

J. V. WILLOX, Secretary.

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Factories and Shops Acts.

DETERMINATION OF THE ORGAN 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 classes of persons, employed in the process, trade, or business of a builder of pipe organs," has made the following Determination, namely:—

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

2.

Apprentices.

WEEKLY WAGES.

	Per Week of 44 Hours. s. d.
1st year	23 1
2nd ,, ...	35 1
3rd ,, ...	46 8
4th ,, ...	69 6
5th ,, ...	92 4

Proportion (in any place).

One apprentice to every three or fraction of three workers receiving not less than the minimum wage.

An indenture of apprenticeship prescribed by the Board was approved on 23rd April, 1923.

Improvers.

WEEKLY WAGES.

	Per Week of 44 Hours. s. d.
Under 16 years of age ..	20 10
16 and under 17 ..	23 1
17 ,, ,, 18 ..	35 1
18 ,, ,, 19 ..	46 8
19 ,, ,, 20 ..	69 6
20 ,, ,, 21 ..	92 4

Proportion (in any place).

One improver to every six or fraction of six workers receiving not less than the minimum wage.

Provided that at least three workers receiving not less than the minimum wage must be employed before an improver can be employed.

Other Employees.

WEEKLY WAGES.

—	Within 20 Miles of G.P.O., Melbourne, 10 Miles of G.P.O., Geelong, at Warrnambool, and in the Mildura and Gippsland Districts. £ s. d.	Elsewhere in Victoria. £ s. d.
Organ builder or persons erecting dismantling, or repairing organs ..	7 2 0	6 19 0
Woodworkers	7 2 0	6 19 0
Polisher required to spirit and/or acid off ..	7 2 0	6 19 0
Other polishers ...	6 13 0	6 10 0
Voicer	7 2 0	6 19 0
Tuner	7 2 0	6 19 0
Metal pipe maker ..	7 2 0	6 19 0
All others	5 12 0	5 9 0

ORDINARY WEEK'S WORK.

3. The number of hours to constitute a week's work shall be as follows:—

Males	44 hours	To be worked between the times of beginning and ending work shown below.
Females	44 hours	

Times of beginning.	Times of ending.
7.30 a.m.	5 p.m. Mondays to Fridays.
7.30 a.m.	12 noon Saturdays.

Provided an employer may at his option work the prescribed weekly hours in five days or five and a half days, but the option having once been exercised the ordinary daily hours shall not be altered without one week's notice to the employees.

OVERTIME.

4. Except in the case of shift work all time worked—

(*a*) Before or after the usual times of beginning and ending work;
(*b*) In excess of nine hours per day;
(*c*) In excess of 44 hours in any week;

shall be paid for at the rate of time and one-half for the first four hours and double time thereafter, provided that all time worked between the hours of 9 p.m. and 7.30 a.m. shall be paid for at double time.

All work done outside the times of beginning and ending work on any holiday specified in clause 16 shall be paid for at the rate of double ordinary time.

No person under the age of seventeen years shall be permitted to work more than four hours overtime in any week.

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SHIFT WORK.

5. Shift work may be worked subject to the following conditions :—

(a) Any afternoon or night shift which does not continue for five successive shifts shall be paid at the rate of time and half.

(b) Except as hereinafter provided, for any afternoon or night shift which has been in operation for five successive shifts or more and less than one month ten per cent. more than ordinary rates shall be paid and after such shifts have continued for more than one month seven and one-half per cent. more than ordinary rates shall be paid.

(c) Shift workers shall be paid overtime at the rate of time and a half for the first four hours and double time thereafter for all time worked in excess of shift hours.

(d) Employees who during a period of engagements work only on night shifts shall be paid at the rate of time and a quarter.

(e) When employees are called upon to work afternoon and night shifts only they shall change over week and week about and shall be paid ten per cent. above ordinary rates for both shifts.

(f) When employees work day and afternoon shifts only they shall change over week and week about and shall be paid ten per cent. extra for afternoon shifts.

(g) The ordinary hours of actual work or duty exclusive of meal breaks off duty (if any) of employee working on shift shall not exceed—

(i) eight in any one day ; or

(ii) 48 in any one week ; or

(iii) an average of 44 per week during any period of three weeks of such employeent upon such shifts.

TEA MONEY.

6. All employees required to work beyond the usual time of ending work shall be allowed 2s. tea money in addition to overtime rates as prescribed for in this Determination when the usual time of ending work is exceeded by two hours.

TERMS OF ENGAGEMENT.

7. Except as herein in this Dertermination provided, all employees shall be employed by the week. Employees to become entitled to the weekly wage prescribed by this Determination must be available and ready and willing to perform such work as the employer shall from time to time require on the days and during the hours usually worked by the class of employees affected.. Where the majority of the employees of any establishment or of any department of such establishment agree to work part time for any period or to close down for any period on days other than the prescribed holidays, the provisions of the weekly wage shall not apply to any employee of such establishment or department during such periods.

Employment for the first two weeks of service at any time shall be from hour to hour at the weekly rate fixed.

CASUAL LABOUR.

8. Casual labour at hourly rates may be engaged, provided the rates are 10 per cent. higher than those prescribed for weekly hands.

Casual labour means labour where an employer does not provide a full week's work, but does not include a weekly hand whose engagement is terminated in the middle of a week.

TERMINATING EMPLOYMENT.

9. Employment to be terminated only by a week's notice on either side, and such notice may be given at any time during the week. This shall not affect the right of the employer to dismiss any employee without notice for malingering, inefficiency, neglect of duty, or misconduct, or to deduct payment for any tine the employee cannot be usefully employed because of any strike, or through any breakdown of machinery, or any stoppage of work by any cause for which the employer cannot reasonably be held responsible.

An employer shall not terminate the employment of an employee for the purpose of evading payment for the holidays prescribed by this Determination.

Where an employee is dismissed within seven days prior to any such holiday the re-engagement of such employee within seven days after such holiday shall be prima facie evidence that the employment was terminated for the purpose of evading payment for such holiday.

Where the employer terminates the employment within one week of a day on which a holiday occurs, the employee shall be paid for such holiday or holidays prescribed by this Determination provided that such employee had been employed by the employer for a period of at least one week prior to the termination of the employment.

Should an employee be dismissed during the course of a week, any wages due to him or her shall be paid to him or her forthwith or shall be posted to him or her within 24 hours.

SPECIAL RATES FOR SUNDAYS AND HOLIDAYS.

10. Any employee who is employed on any holiday specified in clause 16 shall be paid at the rate of the ordinary time in addition to the usual rate.

All work done on Sundays shall be paid for at the rate of double time.

MIDDAY MEAL.

11. An interval of not less than 30 minutes shall be allowed for the midday meal between the hours of 12 noon and 2 p.m.

REST PERIOD.

12. When any spell of duty is for more than four hours, an interval of ten minutes, to be selected by the employer, shall be allowed in the third hour to females for refreshment. The interval shall be as part of the time of duty, without deduction of time-work pay. During such rest period the employees may leave their seats, but not the premises.

MIXED FUNCTIONS.

13. Where an employee is engaged in any one week for more than half of such week at work in a higher class than he or she is employed to perform, he or she shall be paid for the full week at the highest rate payable for any such work under this Determination ; but if he or she is engaged for less than half of any such week, he or she shall only be paid at the rates fixed by this Determination for the work he or she actually performs.

MATERIALS TO BE PROVIDED.

14. Any person employed in wholly or partly preparing or manufacturing any article shall be paid 6d. per hour in addition to the lowest rate fixed by this Determination, unless the following are provided by the employer if required in the performance of the work :—Benches, wood or iron clamps over 2 ft. 6 in., hand screws (in excess of four), glue pots, and glue brushes and varnish brushes. Any employee engaged at french polishing shall be supplied with all materials, including rags, brushes, and kit-box.

ALLOWANCES FOR TRAVELLING TIME AND BOARD.

15. All time reasonably occupied by an employee in travelling to or from work outside the factory and outside ordinary hours and in travelling to and from work in a country district if engaged in the metropolitan district for employment in a country district shall be treated as time of duty and paid for at ordinary rates up to a maximum of eight hours for the journey, except on Sundays, when time and a half rates shall be paid up to a maximum of eight hours for the journey. Provided that, where an employee proceeds direct from his or her home to a job outside the factory, he or she shall be paid for all time reasonably occupied in travelling to the job in excess of the time usually taken to go from his or her home to the factory.

All fares and reasonable travelling expenses incurred by an employee in such travelling, including the cost (if any) incurred for meals—together with the reasonable cost of board and lodging if the employee has to be away from his or her home for a night shall be paid to the employee.

The fares allowed shall be first class where the employee has to travel all night in connexion with his or her employer's business, and in other cases the fares shall be second class.

The foregoing travelling and accommodation allowances shall be paid additional to the usual rates for the time employees are working.

When it is more convenient for the employee to go direct to the job from his or her home, he or she shall do so, and start and cease work at the usual times customary at the factory, provided that any extra expense incurred by him or her in travelling shall be borne by the employer.

HOLIDAYS, ANNUAL LEAVE AND SICK PAY.

Holidays.

16. (*a*) The following days shall be observed as holidays for all weekly wage employees—the days observed as New Year's Day, Australia Day, Good Friday, Easter Monday, Labour Day, Anzac Day, King's Birthday, Melbourne Cup Day, Christmas Day, and Boxing Day. All work done on the said holidays shall be paid for at ordinary rates in addition to the provisions of sub-clause (*c*) hereof.

Annual Leave.

(*b*) All weekly wage employees shall be granted their annual leave at Christmas time. Such leave shall consist of fourteen consecutive days which shall be exclusive of any of the holidays prescribed by sub-clause (*a*) hereof and if any of such holidays falls within the period of annual leave and is observed on a day which would have been an ordinary working day there shall be added to the period of annual leave one working day for each such holiday falling as aforesaid.

The representatives of the parties shall meet not later than three months before Christmas for the purpose of determining the date on which the factories shall close down for the annual leave and Christmas—New Year holidays.

Loaded Rate to Provide Credits from which Payment for Holidays, Annual Leave, and Sick Pay shall be Made.

(*c*) (i) Each weekly wage employee shall be credited by the employer with a sum equal to 4¼ hours pay for each week of continuous service.

(ii) On or before the pay preceding a holiday, the amount of time that the employee will work short because of the holiday and the wage equivalent of such time shall be ascertained.

(iii) If on such pay day there is standing to the credit of the employee an amount equal to or exceeding the amount of such wage equivalent, the employer shall on the next succeeding pay day pay to the employee an amount equal to that wage equivalent and the employee's credit shall be reduced by the amount so paid. Provided that the payments from credits in respect of Good Friday and Easter Monday shall be made on the pay day immediately preceding Good Friday.

(iv) If on such pay day the amount standing to such credit is less than such wage equivalent the employer shall on that pay day pay to the employee the amount then standing to such credit and the employee's credit shall be reduced by the amount so paid.

(*v*) In the event of an employee being absent owing to personal sickness or personal accident arising out of or in the course of his employment, the employer shall on or before the pay day following the commencement of such absence ascertain the amount standing to the credit of such employee and shall if there be sufficient standing to the employee's credit to cover him for such absence not in excess of the number of ordinary working hours in a week's pay to him such amount and if there be not sufficient for this purpose then the employer shall pay to the employee such amount as is standing to his credit and such credit shall be reduced by the amount paid pursuant to this sub-clause. If the credit is insufficient to cover the employee for his absence through sickness or accident as above stated the employee may at his own request be paid the difference when he has accumulated sufficient credit to cover the necessary amount.

(vi) On the pay day preceding the Christmas holidays the employer shall pay to the employee such amount as is then standing to the employee's credit, plus credits up to the end of the 52nd week in the year.

(vii) In the event of an employee being absent for any cause (other than statutory holidays, annual leave, personal sickness or personal accident arising out of or in the course of his employment not in excess of the number of ordinary working hours in a week in any year) the employer may reduce the amount to be credited to such employee by an amount pro rata to such absence.

PAY DAY.

17. All employees shall be paid weekly on any other day than Saturday.

No employer shall hold more than two days' pay in hand.

Any employee kept waiting for his or her pay on pay day for more than a quarter of an hour after the usual time for ceasing work shall be paid overtime rates after that quarter of an hour and as for a quarter of an hour at least.

TIME BOOK OR RECORD.

18. (*a*) Employers shall provide at each shop, factory, or place where work is being carried on a time book or record which shall contain a correct account of the hours worked and the wages received by each employee. Such time book or record shall be kept correctly entered up in ink and shall be open for inspection by a duly accredited official of the Federated Furnishing Trade Society of Australasia during the usual office hours at the office or other convenient place.

Provided that no inspection shall be demanded unless the accredited official of the said Society suspects that a breach of this Determination has been or is being committed and provided also that only one demand for such inspection shall be made in any one fortnight at the same establishment. The official making such inspection shall be entitled to take a copy of entries in any time and wages book relating to the suspected breach of this Determination.

(*b*) The time occupied by an employee in filling in any time book or cards, or in making any records, shall be treated as time of duty; but this clause does not apply to "checking" in or out at beginning or end of duty.

RIGHT OF ENTRY OF UNION OFFICIAL.

19. A duly accredited representative of the Federated Furnishing Trade Society of Australasia shall have the right to enter employers' workshops during the midday meal hour for the purpose of interviewing employees on legitimate Union business on the following conditions:—

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

(*b*) That he interview employees only at the places where they are taking their meal;

(*c*) That not more than one representative in all be in any workshop at any one time;

(*d*) That no one representative visit a workshop more than once in each week;

(*e*) That if any employer alleges that a representative is unduly interfering with his workshop 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.

First-Aid Chest.

20. Every factory, shop, or workshop or place in which power-driven machinery is used shall have a first-aid chest upon the premises, which chest shall contain the following equipment :—

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

Dilution of Labour.

21. For the period of the war employers may engage unskilled adult male labour at operations for which this Determination provides margins, subject to the following conditions :—

(*a*) Dilutees may be introduced into the industry to a maximum extent of 10 per cent. of all adult male employees in any factory.

(*b*) Dilutees shall be called trainees.

(*c*) The basic wage adjusted in accordance with clause 26 shall be paid to trainees for the first three months of their employment and thereafter they shall be classified according to the particular work which they appear most suitable and be paid as follows :—

Second three months—Basic wage referred to above and 25 per cent. of the difference between such basic wage and the appropriate rate fixed for the class of work performed.

Third three months—Basic wage referred to above and 50 per cent. of the difference between such basic wage and the appropriate rate fixed for the class of work performed.

Fourth three months—Basic wage referred to above and 75 per cent. of the difference between such basic wage and the appropriate rate fixed for the class of work performed.

(*d*) At the end of twelve months, trainees shall be paid the full Determination rates unless the employer desires to extend the period of training. In such case he shall have the right of appeal to a joint committee composed of four representatives respectively of employees and employers, appointed under the provisions of the Federal Award for the Federated Furnishing Trade Society of Australasia. In the event of such committee failing to agree on any matter, the members thereof shall have the right to submit any matter in dispute to the Wages Board.

(*e*) All trainees engaged under this clause shall be registered by the joint committee.

Technical Education.

22. (*a*) On an apprentice producing a certificate from the Technical College stating that he has a record of 70 per cent. of attendance at the Technical College, his employer shall refund to him his Technical class fees.

(*b*) Every apprentice who obtains, and produces to his employer, a certificate (or statement in lieu of same) of competency issued for any year of his technical education by the Technical College shall be entitled to 2s. 6d. per week in addition to the rates of wages prescribed for the ensuing twelve months. Every apprentice who produces to his employer a series of such certificates relating to each of the three years of his technical education shall be entitled to 5s. per week in addition to the prescribed rates of wages for the remainder of his term of apprenticeship.

Piecework.

23. The employer may fix his own piecework prices or task rates, provided such prices or rates enable an employee of average capacity working under like conditions to earn at least 10 per cent. more than the minimum weekly wage prescribed for the class of work performed. The same piecework prices shall be paid to all pieceworkers doing the same operation in the factory, whether they be apprentices or improvers on piecework, or otherwise.

All pieceworkers who are available and ready and willing to work during the ordinary working hours shall be paid in each week, not less than 112s.

Disputes.

24. In cases where a dispute may arise in respect of matters contained in the Determination such dispute may be referred to the Wages Board.

Periodical Adjustment of Wages.

25. The wages rates set out in clause 2 are based upon the following basic wage for adults, and, pursuant to the provisions of Section 21 of the *Facories and Shops Act* 1934, shall be automatically adjusted as prescribed by clause 26.

Place.	Needs Basic Wage for Adults (Adjustable).	Loading (Constant).	Total Basic Wage for Adults.	Index Number Set Assigned.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	
Within 20 miles of G.P.O., Melbourne— Males	5 3 0	0 6 0	5 9 0	Melbourne
Within 10 miles of G.P.O., Geelong, same as the contemporaneous basic wage and minimum wage for Melbourne				
Warrnambool, same as the contemporaneous basic wage and minimum wage for Melbourne				
Mildura and Gippsland districts, same as the contemporaneous basic wage and minimum wage for Melbourne				
Yallourn, until further order the same amount in excess of Melbourne as at present, viz., 6s. 6d. per week				
Elsewhere, 3s. and 1s. 6d. respectively less than the contemporaneous basic wage and minimum wage for Melbourne				

ADJUSTMENT OF BASIC WAGE.

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

(*b*) Until the beginning of the first pay period to commence in February, 1948, the amounts of the Basic Wage shall be as prescribed in clause 25.

(*c*) During each future successive period beginning with the first pay period to commence in a February, a May, an August, or a November, 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.

(*d*) The amounts of the weekly rates for apprentices and improvers shall be adjusted proportionately to the basic wage, and shall accord with the rates payable from time to time under the appropriate Award of the Commonwealth Court of Conciliation and Arbitration.

(*e*) The rates for pieceworkers shall be increased or decreased in the same proportion as the rate for the journeymen in the respective classes.

P. A. RANDLES, J.P., Chairman.

J. V. WILLOX, Secretary.

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Factories and Shops Acts.

DETERMINATION OF THE OPTICIANS BOARD.

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 employed in manufacturing or mounting optical lenses or their frames," has made the following Determination, namely :—

1. That as from the beginning of the first pay period to commence in November, 1947, the last previous Determination of this Board shall be revoked and replaced by this Determination.

2. (*a*) **EMPLOYEES ENGAGED IN CONNECTION WITH SPECTACLE FRAME MAKING.**

Female and Unapprenticed Junior Labour.

(i) Subject to the exception hereinafter provided, the minimum rates of wage for adult and junior females and for unapprenticed male juniors shall be as follows :—

—	Wages per Week.			
	Percentage of Needs Basic Wage.	Constant Loading.	Further Additional Loading.	Total Wage Payable.
		s. d.	s. d.	£ s. d.
I.—Adult Females.				
Under three months' experience ..	65	3 0	..	3 10 0
All others ..	75	3 0	..	4 0 0
II.—Junior Females.				
17 years of age and under ..	40	1 0	..	2 2 0
18 years of age ..	47½	1 3	..	2 10 0
19 years of age ..	55	1 6	..	2 18 0
20 years of age ..	62½	2 0	..	3 6 6
III.—Junior Males.				
Under 16 years of age ..	25	0 6	2 0	1 8 0
16 years of age ..	35	0 9	3 0	2 0 0
17 years of age ..	47½	1 0	4 0	2 14 0
18 years of age ..	60	1 0	5 0	3 8 0
19 years of age ..	75	2 0	6 0	4 5 0
20 years of age ..	90	2 0	7 0	5 1 6

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

(ii) 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.

Note.—The Board has determined that no apprentice shall be taken to this section.

Other Employees.

—	Wages per Week.		
	Weekly Rate.	War Loading.	Total Weekly Wage.
	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
Optical mechanic or employee engaged in the final assembling and/or adjusting and/or inspecting of metal frames	150 6	3 0	153 6
Press operator (heavy) ..	125 0	3 0	128 0
Press operator (light) ..	122 0	3 0	125 0
Process worker (as defined)	122 0	3 0	125 0

(b) **EMPLOYEES ENGAGED ON ANY OTHER WORK COVERED BY THE DETERMINATION.**

Apprentices.

—	Wages Per Week. Weekly Rate.	War* Loading.	Total Weekly Wage.
	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
1st year ..	24 9	0 9	25 6
2nd year ..	30 6	0 9	31 3
3rd year ..	42 9	1 0	43 9
4th year ..	58 6	1 6	60 0
5th year ..	84 9	2 3	87 0
6th year ..	116 0	3 0	119 0

PROPORTION (in any factory, shop, or place).

One apprentice to every two or fraction of two workers receiving not less than 153s. 6d. per week.

An indenture of apprenticeship prescribed was approved on 15th December, 1914.

Improvers.

—	Wages Per Week. Weekly Rate.	War* Loading.	Total Weekly Wage.
	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
1st year ..	24 9	0 9	25 6
2nd year ..	33 3	1 0	34 3
3rd year ..	46 3	1 3	47 6
4th year ..	65 9	1 9	67 6
5th year ..	92 3	2 3	94 6
6th year ..	122 0	3 0	125 0

PROPORTION (in any factory, shop, or place).

One improver to every three journeymen receiving not less than 153s. 6d. per week.

Provided that in any place where two or more journeymen are employed solely at grinding lenses additional improvers may be employed in the proportion of one improver to each of such journeymen.

Other Employees.

—	Wages Per Week. Weekly Rate.	War* Loading.	Total Weekly Wage.
	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
Foreman, *i.e.*, man in charge of two or more employees ..	169 6	3 0	172 6
Optical workers and repairers	150 6	3 0	153 6

*** The War Loading shall not be taken into account in the calculation of overtime and holiday rates.**

HOURS OF WORK.

3. The number of hours to constitute an ordinary week's work shall be 44 until the 31st December, 1947, and thereafter 40 hours.

4. TIME OF BEGINNING AND ENDING WORK.

Time of Beginning.	Time of Ending.
8 a.m.	.. 12.30 p.m. on the day on which the half-holiday is observed.
8 a.m.	.. 6.0 p.m. on the other working days of the week.

OVERTIME.

5. That the following rate shall be paid for all work done—

(a) Outside the hours fixed in Clause 4 up to 3 hours per day .. .. Time and a half and thereafter double time.

(b) Within the hours fixed in Clause 4 in excess of 8 hours per day Monday to Friday inclusive and 4 hours on Saturday in a six-day workshop, and all time in excess of 8 hours 48 minutes per day Monday to Friday inclusive in a 5-day workshop .. .. Time and a half.

TIME RATE.

6. Any person employed on time wages for less than the number of hours fixed for an ordinary week's work shall for each hour worked up to one half the number of hours fixed for an ordinary week's work be paid at the ordinary wages rate with an addition of thirty-three per centum, and for each hour thereafter he shall be paid the ordinary wages rate up to but not exceeding the rate prescribed by this Determination for an ordinary week's work, together with any overtime rate which is applicable.

TERMINATION OF EMPLOYMENT.

7. Except where the conduct of an employee justifies instant dismissal, seven days' notice of termination of employment shall be given by either employer or employee, or one week's wages shall be paid or forfeited in lieu thereof. This provision shall only apply in the case of an employee who has been employed continuously for three months or more.

PAYMENT FOR HOLIDAYS.

8. Employees shall be entitled to the following holidays without deduction of pay:—Australia Day, Good Friday, Easter Saturday, Easter Monday, Labour Day, Anzac Day, King's Birthday, Melbourne Cup Day within the Metropolitan District as defined in the Factories and Shops Acts, Christmas Day, Boxing Day, New Year's Day; but if any other day be by Act of Parliament or Proclamation substituted for any of the above-named holidays, this provision shall only apply to the day so substituted.

ANNUAL HOLIDAY.

9. 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.

NOTE.—In his or her own interests each employer of labour should obtain a copy of the above Act which may be purchased from the Government Printer, Melbourne, at a cost of 9d., plus postage.

SPECIAL RATES.

10. That double time shall be the special rate for all work done on Sunday, Australia Day, Good Friday, Easter Saturday, Easter Monday, Labour Day, Anzac Day, King's Birthday, Melbourne Cup Day, within the Metropolitan District as defined in the Factories and Shops Acts, Christmas Day, Boxing Day, New Year's Day; but if any other day be by Act of Parliament or Proclamation substituted for any of the above-named holidays, the special rate shall only be payable for work done on the day so substituted.

TEA MONEY.

11. When an employee works more than two hours' overtime in any one day he shall be paid 2s. meal money.

DEFINITIONS.

12. "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 connection 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 and/or buffing of parts of mechanical appliances or other articles so made, in which no fitting or adjustment requiring skill is required; or

(iii) in specialized processes—not requiring use of hand tools except hammers, pliers, screw-drivers, spanners and files, and such tools as are necessary for deburring or removing rags or edging;

PERIODICAL ADJUSTMENT OF WAGES.

13. The wages rates for employees 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 14. Provided that (i) the wages of adult females, junior females and junior males in clause 2 (*a*) shall be adjusted to accord with the percentages of the contemporaneous needs basic wage and in addition thereto the constant loadings specified, (ii) the wages of apprentices and improvers in clause 2 (*b*) shall be adjusted proportionately to adjustments of the basic wage, such adjustments to be to the nearest 3d., half or less than half of 3d. to be disregarded.

Basic Wage.

Place.	Needs Basic Wage (adjustable).	Loading Constant.	Total Basic Wage.	Index Number Set Assigned.
	£ s. d.	s. d.	£ s. d.	
Throughout the State	5 3 0	6 0	5 9 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 February, 1948, 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 a February, a May, an August, or a November, 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.

P. A. RANDLES, J.P., Chairman.

J. V. WILLOX, Secretary.

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Factories and Shops Acts.

DETERMINATION OF THE FILEMAKERS 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 rates which may be paid to any person or persons or classes of persons, excluding smiths (iron, brass, or copper), electrical fitters, electrical mechanics, machinist (1st and 2nd class), toolmakers, tradesmen, engineers, welders (1st and 2nd class), and patternmakers employed in the process, trade, or business of manufacturing or preparing files or rasps of any description for use as tools of trade," has made the following Determination, namely :—

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

2. *Wages per Week of (a) Until the 31st December, 1947—44 hours. (b) Thereafter—40 hours.*

Adults.	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.
File chisel whetter	7 5 6	7 12 0	7 2 6
File inspector—First class	7 1 6	7 8 0	6 18 6
File inspector (other)—			
(a) First three months' experience as such	6 5 0	6 11 6	6 2 0
(b) Thereafter	6 12 6	6 19 0	6 9 6
Automatic file blanking machine operator—			
(a) First three months' experience as such	6 5 0	6 11 6	6 2 0
(b) Thereafter	7 1 6	7 8 0	6 18 6
File cutter—			
(a) First three months' experience as such	6 5 0	6 11 6	6 2 0
(b) Thereafter	7 1 6	7 8 0	6 18 6
Hand hammer file forger—			
(a) First three months' experience as such	6 5 0	6 11 6	6 2 0
(b) Thereafter	7 1 6	7 8 0	6 18 6
File tang roller—			
(a) First three months' experience as such	6 5 0	6 11 6	6 2 0
(b) Thereafter	7 1 6	7 8 0	6 18 6
File compound controller	6 19 0	7 5 6	6 16 0
File edge grinder—			
(a) First three months' experience as such	6 9 6	6 16 0	6 6 6
(b) Thereafter	6 18 6	7 5 0	6 15 6
File side grinder—			
(a) First three months' experience as such	6 9 6	6 16 0	6 6 6
(b) Thereafter	6 18 6	7 5 0	6 15 6
File hardener—			
(a) First three months' experience as such	6 5 0	6 11 6	6 2 0
(b) Thereafter	6 18 6	7 5 0	6 15 6
File point roller—			
(a) First three months' experience as such	6 5 0	6 11 6	6 2 0
(b) Thereafter	6 18 6	7 5 0	6 15 6
File bar clipper—			
(a) First three months' experience as such	6 5 0	6 11 6	6 2 0
(b) Thereafter	6 14 0	7 0 6	6 11 0
File roll flattener—			
(a) First three months' experience as such	6 5 0	6 11 6	6 2 0
(b) Thereafter	6 14 0	7 0 6	6 11 0

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Adults.	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.
File brander			
(a) First three months' experience as such	6 5 0	6 11 6	6 2 0
(b) Thereafter	6 14 0	7 0 6	6 11 0
Half round or round file grinder—			
(a) First three months' experience as such	6 9 6	6 16 0	6 6 6
(b) Thereafter	6 12 6	6 19 0	6 9 6
File tang and point trimmer			
(a) First three months' experience as such	6 5 0	6 11 6	6 2 0
(b) Thereafter	6 9 6	6 16 0	6 6 6
File miller—			
(a) First three months' experience as such	6 5 0	6 11 6	6 2 0
(b) Thereafter	6 12 6	6 19 0	6 9 6
File acider	6 12 6	6 19 0	6 9 6
File sand blaster	6 10 6	6 17 0	6 7 6
Semi-automatic hammer file forger	6 9 6	6 16 0	6 6 6
File straightener (hand)	6 9 6	6 16 0	6 6 6
File grinder (other)	6 9 6	6 16 0	6 6 6
File edge setter (machine or hand)	6 9 6	6 16 0	6 6 6
File stripper (machine or hand)	6 9 6	6 16 0	6 6 6
File chisel grinder	6 9 6	6 16 0	6 6 6
File cropper	6 9 6	6 16 0	6 6 6
File point grinder	6 9 6	6 16 0	6 6 6
File safe edger	6 9 6	6 16 0	6 6 6
File tang bluer	6 9 6	6 16 0	6 6 6
File anneal loader	6 6 6	6 13 0	6 3 6
File straightener (machine)	6 5 0	6 11 6	6 2 0
File counter	6 5 0	6 11 6	6 2 0
File drier	6 5 0	6 11 6	6 2 0
File oiler	6 5 0	6 11 6	6 2 0
File paster	6 5 0	6 11 6	6 2 0
File ringer	6 5 0	6 11 6	6 2 0
All others	5 12 0	5 18 6	5 9 0

NOTE.—Operators engaged in any of the following occupations are responsible for the setting up of the machines used in their respective operations :—

Automatic file blanking machine operator;
File bar clipper;
File brander;
File cutter;
File edge grinder;
File hardener (where a fixture is used);
File point roller;
File roll flattener;
File side grinder;
File tang and point trimmer;
File tang roller;
Hand hammer file forger.

LEADING HANDS.

Leading hands in charge of not less than three and not more than ten employees, 9s. per week extra; more than ten and not more than twenty employees, 18s. per week extra; more than twenty employees, 27s. per week extra.

FEMALES AND UNAPPRENTICED MALE JUNIORS.

3. (a) Subject to the exception hereinafter provided, the minimum rates of wage 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.	Further Additional 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.
	Per Week.	Per Week. s. d.	Per Week. s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
I.—Adult Females.						
Under three months' experience	65	3 0	..	3 10 0	3 14 0	3 8 0
All others	75	3 0	..	4 0 0	4 5 0	3 18 0
II.—Junior Females.						
17 years of age and under ..	40	1 0	..	2 2 0	2 5 0	2 1 0
18 years of age ..	47½	1 3	..	2 10 0	2 13 6	2 8 6
19 years of age	55	1 6	..	2 18 0	3 1 6	2 16 6
20 years of age	62½	2 0	..	3 6 6	3 10 6	3 4 6
III.—Junior Males.						
Under 16 years of age ..	25	0 6	2 0	1 8 0	1 10 0	1 7 6
16 years of age	35	0 9	3 0	2 0 0	2 2 0	1 18 6
17 years of age	47½	1 0	4 0	2 14 0	2 17 0	2 12 6
18 years of age	60	1 0	5 0	3 8 0	3 11 6	3 6 0
19 years of age	75	2 0	6 0	4 5 0	4 10 0	4 3 0
20 years of age	90	2 0	7 0	5 1 6	5 7 6	4 19 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.

Prohibited Occupations.

(*c*) Junior employees shall not be employed :—

if under the age of 16 years—

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

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 :—

Confined Spaces.

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

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 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.

Hot Places.

(*c*) Working for more than one hour in the shade in places where the temperature is raised by artifical 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.

HOURS OF WORK.

Day Workers.

5. (*a*) Subject to the exceptions hereinafter provided the ordinary hours of work shall be 44 per week until the 31st December, 1947, and thereafter 40 hours per week to be worked in five days of 8 hours (Monday to Friday inclusive) and one day (Saturday) of not more than 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 until the 31st December, 1947, and thereafter 40 hours per week 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.

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

"Afternoon shift" means any shift finishing after 6 p.m. and at or before midnight.
"Continuous work" means work carried on with consecutive shifts of men throughout the 24 hours of each of at least six consecutive days without interruption except during breakdowns or meal breaks or due to unavoidable causes beyond the control of the employer.
"Night shift" means any shift finishing subsequent to midnight, and at or before 8 a.m.
"Rostered shift" means a shift of which the employee concerned has had at least 48 hours' notice.

Hours—Continuous Work Shifts.

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

The ordinary hours of such shift workers shall not exceed—

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

Provided that as from the 1st January, 1948, sub-clause (iv) hereof shall be amended to read as follows:—

(iv) 160 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 or after the 31st December, 1947, 40 in any week, to be worked in five shifts of 8 hours 48 minutes, on Monday to Friday inclusive, or five shifts of eight hours and one shift (Saturday) of not more than four hours; or
(ii) 88 in 14 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 or after the 31st December, 1947, 120 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*i) 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 12 (*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 9 of this Determination. Where shifts commence between 11 p.m. and midnight on a Sunday or holiday the time so worked before midnight shall not entitle the employee to the Sunday or holiday rate: provided that the time worked by an employee on a shift commencing before midnight on the day preceding a Sunday or holiday and extending into a Sunday or holiday shall be regarded as time worked on such Sunday or holiday.

Junior and Female Employees.

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

MIXED FUNCTIONS.

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

8. (*a*) For all work done outside ordinary hours the rates of pay shall be time and a half for the first four hours and double time thereafter, such double time to continue until the completion of the overtime work. Provided that in the case of 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.

Crib Time.

(*g*) 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.

(*h*) 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.

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

HOLIDAYS AND SUNDAY WORK.

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

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

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

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

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

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

EXTRA RATES NOT CUMULATIVE.

10. 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.

11. (*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.

12. (*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 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 13 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.

13. (*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*) 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.

14. 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.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Accommodation and Conveniences.

Boiling Water.

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

Drinking Water.

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

First-Aid Outfit.

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

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

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

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) Such suitable canvas or leather gloves shall be provided by employers for employees 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 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.

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.

SHOP STEWARDS.

16. 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.

17. (*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 above-mentioned organization.

General Secretary.

(SEAL.)

Date—

Specimen signature of holder.
Strictly not transferable.

TIME AND WAGES BOOK.

18. (*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.

19. 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.

20. "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.

"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.
"File anneal loader" means an adult employee who performs the manual operations incidental to annealing.
"File bar clipper" means an adult employee who shears bars to multiple lengths in a shearing machine.
"File chisel whetter" means an adult employee, with not less than one year's experience in the trade, who whets file cutting chisels by hand.
"File cropper" means an adult employee who crops tangs and points on a cropping machine.
"File edge grinder" means an adult employee who operates a file edge grinding machine.
"File grinder—other" means an adult employee who operates a centreless type grinding machine for grinding files.
"File hardener" means an adult employee who hardens files from a lead pot with or without the aid of a hardening fixture.
"File inspector—first class" means an adult employee with not less than one year's experience as inspector or cutter engaged on the inspection of cut files.
"File inspector—other" means an adult employee engaged on the inspection of files or blanks.
"File point roller" means an adult employee who forges file points on a forging rolls.
"Hand hammer file forger" means an adult employee who forges tangs and points under a power hammer.
"Half round or round file grinder" means an adult employee who operates a half round or round double plate grinder.

PAYMENT BY RESULTS.

21. Any system of payment by results now operating may continue subject to the payment of the minimum rates prescribed by the Determination.

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—				
Within 20 miles of G.P.O., Melbourne, 10 miles of G.P.O., Geelong, at Warrnambool, and within Mildura and Gippsland Districts	5 3 0	6 0	5 9 0	Melbourne
Yallourn—6s. 6d. in excess of basic wage for Melbourne.				
Elsewhere—3s. less than the contemporaneous basic wage for 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 February, 1948, 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 a February, a May, an August or a November, 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.

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

MARGINAL RATES.

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

Classification.	Margins Per Week.	Special Loadings. Per Week.
	s. d.	s. d.
File chisel whetter	32 6	4 0
File inspector—First class	29 6	3 0
File inspector (other)—		
(a) First three months' experienced as such	13 0	3 0
(b) Thereafter	20 6	3 0
Automatic file blanking machine operator—		
(a) First three months' experience as such	13 0	3 0
(b) Thereafter	29 6	3 0
File cutter—		
(a) First three months' experience as such	13 0	3 0
(b) Thereafter	29 6	3 0
Hand hammer file forger—		
(a) First three months' experience as such	13 0	3 0
(b) Thereafter	29 6	3 0
File tang roller—		
(a) First three months' experience as such	13 0	3 0
(b) Thereafter	29 6	3 0
File compound controller	27 0	3 0
File edge grinder—		
(a) First three months' experience as such	17 6	3 0
(b) Thereafter	26 6	3 0
File side grinder—		
(a) First three months' experience as such	17 6	3 0
(b) Thereafter	26 6	3 0
File hardener—		
(a) First three months' experience as such	13 0	3 0
(b) Thereafter	26 6	3 0
File point roller—		
(a) First three months' experience as such	13 0	3 0
(b) Thereafter	26 6	3 0
File bar clipper—		
(a) First three months' experience as such	13 0	3 0
(b) Thereafter	22 0	3 0
File roll flattener—		
(a) First three months' experience as such	13 0	3 0
(b) Thereafter	22 0	3 0
File brander—		
(a) First three months' experience as such	13 0	3 0
(b) Thereafter	22 0	3 0
Half round or round file grinder		
(a) First three months' experience as such	17 6	3 0
(b) Thereafter	20 6	3 0
File tang and point trimmer		
(a) First three months' experience as such	13 0	3 0
(b) Thereafter	17 6	3 0
File miller—		
(a) First three months' experience as such	13 0	3 0
(b) Thereafter	20 6	3 0
File acider	20 6	3 0
File sand blaster	18 6	3 0
Semi automatic hammer file forger	17 6	3 0
File straightener (hand)	17 6	3 0
File grinder (other)	17 6	3 0
File edge setter (machine or hand)	17 6	3 0
File stripper (machine or hand)	17 6	3 0
File chisel grinder	17 6	3 0
File cropper	17 6	3 0
File point grinder	17 6	3 0
File safe edger	17 6	3 0
File tang bluer	17 6	3 0
File anneal loader	14 6	3 0
File straightener (machine)	13 0	3 0
File counter	13 0	3 0
File drier	13 0	3 0
File oiler	13 0	3 0
File paster	13 0	3 0
File ringer	13 0	3 0
All others	13 0	3 0
	Nil.	3 0

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

J. W. RYAN, Secretary.

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Factories and Shops Acts.

DETERMINATION OF THE WHOLESALE GROCERS BOARD.

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

(*b*) On the 23rd December, 1912, the powers of the Wholesale Grocers Board were extended to enable it to fix rates for persons employed in the business of a wine and spirit merchant.

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 business of a wholesale grocer, including a seller of tea," has made the following Determination, namely:—

1. That as from the beginning of the first pay period to commence on or after the 27th November, 1947, the last previous Determination of this Board shall be revoked and replaced by this Determination.

2.

APPRENTICES AND IMPROVERS.

	Wages per week. £ s. d.
Under 16 years of age	1 9 6
16 years of age	1 15 9
17 " "	2 6 6
18 " "	3 1 6
19 " "	3 18 9
20 " "	4 15 9

PROPORTION (IN ANY PLACE).

Apprentices.

One apprentice to every three or fraction of three workers receiving not less than 115s. per week.

An indenture of apprenticeship prescribed by the Board was approved on 24.5.1923.

Improvers.

One improver to every three or fraction of three workers receiving not less than 115s. per week.

ALL OTHER EMPLOYEES.

	Wages per week. Within the cities of Ballarat and Bendigo, and the boroughs of Eaglehawk and Sebastopol. £ s. d.	All other parts of Victoria where this Determination applies. £ s. d.
Head cellarman, i.e., the principal employee engaged in testing, blending, reducing, or fining wines or spirits	6 10 0	6 13 6
Leading hand in charge of storemen only—		
10 or more storemen	6 16 6	7 0 0
6, 7, 8, or 9 storemen	6 10 0	6 13 6
1, 2, 3, 4, or 5 storemen	6 1 6	6 5 6
Leading hand in charge of persons other than storemen or of storemen and other persons—		
10 or more persons	6 10 0	6 13 6
6, 7, 8, or 9 persons	6 1 6	6 5 6
1, 2, 3, 4, or 5 persons	6 0 0	6 4 0
Storeman employed singly	6 1 6	6 5 6
All others	5 15 0	6 0 0

NOTE.—"Leading hand" means an adult employee who, notwithstanding that he may be under the orders of a superior, has by the instructions of his employer one or more adult employees usually under his direction.

HOURS OF WORK.

3. The number of hours to constitute an ordinary week's work shall be 44 until the beginning of the first pay period to commence on or after the 1st January, 1948, and thereafter 40.

4. TIMES OF BEGINNING AND ENDING WORK—

Times of Beginning. Not earlier than—	Times of Ending. Not later than—	
7.35 a.m.	12 noon	On Saturday, or the day on which the weekly half-holiday is observed
7.35 a.m.	5.30 p.m.	On the other working days of the week.

OVERTIME.

5. The following rates shall be paid for all work done:—

Outside the times of beginning and ending work in any day .. .. First two hours—Time and a half, thereafter—Double time.

Within the times of beginning and ending work, in excess of the maximum number of hours prescribed in clause 3 .. .. Time and a half.

TEA MONEY.

6. Any employee required to work overtime for a period in excess of one hour after the time fixed for ending work shall be allowed two shillings and sixpence tea money in addition to overtime rates as prescribed for in this Determination.

TERMS OF ENGAGEMENT.

7. (*a*) Employees are to be engaged as weekly or casual employees. A weekly employee is one engaged by the week and paid by the week, and whose engagement shall be terminable by one week's notice on either side, such notice not to be continued from week to week.

(*b*) After one full week's work, such notice may be given to a weekly employee at any time, but an employer may pay one week's wages in lieu of notice.

(*c*) Casual employees shall be guaranteed not less than two hours' engagement every start.

(*d*) A weekly employee to be entitled to the weekly wage shall be available, ready, and willing to perform his or her usual work during the days and hours usually worked by such class of employee, and may be summarily dismissed for dishonesty, misconduct, neglect of duty, or for absence from work without reasonable cause, and in the event of such dismissal the employee shall be paid only for the time actually worked.

CASUAL EMPLOYEES.

8. Casual employees, i.e., employees engaged for less than two full weeks shall be paid at ordinary wages rate with an addition of thirty-three and one-third per centum.

HOLIDAYS.

9. Employees, provided their services are not required, shall be entitled to the following public holidays without deduction of pay:—New Year's Day, Australia Day, Good Friday, Easter Saturday, Easter Monday, Labour Day, King's Birthday, Melbourne Show Day, Melbourne Cup Day, Christmas Day, and Boxing Day.

SPECIAL RATES.

10. Double time shall be the special rate for all work done on Sundays, New Year's Day, Australia Day, Good Friday, Easter Saturday, Easter Monday, Labour Day, King's Birthday, Melbourne Show Day, Melbourne Cup Day, Christmas Day, and Boxing Day; but if any other day be by Act of Parliament or Proclamation substituted for any of the above-named holidays, then the special rate shall be payable only for the day so substituted.

ANNUAL HOLIDAYS.

11. The annual holidays for employees covered by this Determination shall be in accordance with the provisions, as may be amended from time to time, of the *Factories and Shops* (*Annual Holidays*) *Act* 1946, No. 5111.

REST INTERVAL.

12. There shall be a rest interval of 10 minutes at a time fixed by the employer between 10 a.m. and 11.30 a.m. on each day (Monday to Friday inclusive in each week) for each employee, such time to count as time worked.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE.

13. Any worker when leaving or being discharged from his or her employment shall be given by the employer a certificate stating the date when such employment began and the date when such employment terminated.

PAY DAY.

14. Payment of wages shall be made not later than Thursday of each week and during the ordinary working hours.

SICK PAY.

15. (*a*) Any employee not attending for duty shall lose his or her pay for the actual time lost unless such employee has had not less than twelve months' service with the same employer, and he or she produces or forwards within twenty-four hours of the commencement of such absence evidence satisfactory to the employer that his or her non-attendance was due to personal ill health or accident necessitating such absence, but such employee shall not be entitled to payment for non-attendance on the grounds of personal ill health or accident for more than six days in each year.

(*b*) Notwithstanding the provisions of sub-clause (*a*) hereof, if the full period of such leave as prescribed 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 eighteen days, which shall be the maximum amount of leave to which an employee shall be entitled in any year without deduction of pay.

For the purposes of this sub-clause service prior to the 25th November, 1943, shall be disregarded.

UNION PICNIC DAY.

16. All establishments covered by this Determination shall close and be kept closed on the day fixed as Union Picnic Day

FIRST-AID OUTFIT.

17. In each establishment the employer shall provide and continuously maintain, at a place reasonably accessible to all employees, an efficient first-aid outfit.

PERIODICAL ADJUSTMENT OF WAGES.

18. The wages rates set out in clause 2 are based upon the following basic wage, and, pursuant to the provisions of section 21 of the *Factories and Shops Act* 1934, the Board hereby determines that such rates shall be automatically adjusted as prescribed by clause 19. Provided that the wages of apprentices and improvers shall be adjusted proportionately to adjustments of the basic wage such adjustments to be to the nearest 3d. half or less than half of 3d. to be disregarded.

Basic Wage.

Place.	Needs Basic Wage.	Loading Constant.	Total Basic Wage.	Index Number Set Assigned.
	£ s. d.	s. d.	£ s. d.	
Throughout the State	5 3 0	6 0	5 9 0	Melbourne

ADJUSTMENT OF BASIC WAGE.

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(*b*) Until the beginning of the first pay period to commence in February, 1948, the amounts of the Basic Wage shall be as prescribed in clause 18.

(*c*) During each future successive period beginning with the first pay period to commence in a February, a May, an August, or a November, 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.

P. A. RANDLES, J.P., Chairman.

J. V. WILLOX, Secretary.

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