

**DETERMINATION OF THE HORSEHAIR BOARD.**

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**NOTE.**

Notice of appeal to the Industrial Appeals Court has been lodged against certain parts of the Determination.

Section 22 (2), Act 4874, provides that when an appeal is made in accordance with that Act, the parts appealed against shall not come into operation until the appeal has been dealt with by the Court

3665/48.



## PERIODICAL ADJUSTMENT OF WAGES.

16. The wages 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 17.

Provided that the wages of apprentices, improvers, and juveniles shall be adjusted proportionately to adjustments of the basic wage, such adjustments to be to the nearest 3d., half or less than half of 3d. to be disregarded. Provided also that the weekly earnings of pieceworkers shall be increased or decreased by the same amount and at the same time as the basic wage.

*Basic Wage.*

| Place.                       | Needs<br>Basic Wage. | Loading<br>Constant. | Total<br>Basic Wage. | Index Number<br>Set Assigned. |
|------------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|-------------------------------|
|                              | £ s. d.              | s. d.                | £ s. d.              |                               |
| Throughout the State .. .. . | 5 7 0                | 6 0                  | 5 13 0               | Melbourne                     |

## ADJUSTMENT OF BASIC WAGE.

17. (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 May, 1948, the amounts of the Basic Wage shall be as prescribed in clause 16.

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

J. V. WILLOX, Secretary.

Melbourne, 1st April, 1948.

