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Factories and Shops Acts.

DETERMINATION OF A WAGES BOARD ADJUSTED PURSUANT TO SECTION 21 OF THE FACTORIES AND SHOPS ACT 1934 (No. 4275).

I, Raymond Henry Beers, Secretary for Labour, in pursuance of the powers conferred by the Factories and Shops Acts, hereby make and issue the following adjusted Determination of the Wages Board referred to hereunder showing adjusted rates and prices to operate from the beginning of the first pay period to commence in August, 1950.

Dated at Melbourne, this
3rd day of August, 1950.

RAY. H. BEERS,
Secretary for Labour.

BOOT BOARD.

Clauses 2, 3, 4 and 5 of the Determination published in *Government Gazette* No. 477 of the 30th May, 1950, shall be replaced by the following clauses :—

APPRENTICES AND IMPROVERS.

2. MALES*—*Apprentices* (Other than those covered by the Apprenticeship Commission).
Wages per Week of 40 Hours.

Five Years Terms.

Experience.	Percentage of Needs Basic Wage.	Constant Loading.	Industry Loading.	Total Wage Payable.
	Per Week.	Per Week. <i>s. d.</i>	Per Week. <i>s. d.</i>	<i>£ s. d.</i>
First year's experience—				
1st six months	22½	..	0 9	1 10 9
2nd six months .. .. .	..	..	0 9	1 15 9
Second year's experience—				
1st six months	30	1 0	1 0	2 2 0
2nd six months .. .. .	..	1 0	1 0	2 11 9
Third year's experience—				
1st six months	45	1 6	1 6	3 2 9
2nd six months .. .. .	..	1 6	1 6	4 2 9
Fourth year's experience—				
1st six months	75	2 0	2 3	5 4 0
2nd six months .. .. .	..	2 0	2 3	5 17 3
Fifth year's experience—				
1st six months	95	2 0	3 0	6 11 3
2nd six months .. .. .	..	2 0	3 0	6 14 9
Thereafter the adult male minimum wage.				

Four Years Terms.

First year's experience—				
1st six months	26	..	0 9	1 15 3
2nd six months .. .. .	..	..	0 9	2 8 0
Second year's experience—				
1st six months	45	1 6	1 6	3 2 9
2nd six months .. .. .	..	1 6	1 6	4 2 9
Third year's experience—				
1st six months	75	2 0	2 3	5 4 0
2nd six months .. .. .	..	2 0	2 3	5 17 3
Fourth year's experience—				
1st six months	95	2 0	3 0	6 11 3
2nd six months .. .. .	..	2 0	3 0	6 14 9
Thereafter the adult male minimum wage				

* Wages of apprentices and improvers in the Metropolitan District are regulated by the Apprenticeship Commission.

2. MALES*—*Apprentices* (Other than those covered by the Apprenticeship Commission)—*continued.**Three Years Terms.*

Experience.	Percentage of Needs Basic Wage.	Constant Loading.	Industry Loading.	Total Wage Payable.
	Per Week.	Per Week. <i>s. d.</i>	Per Week. <i>s. d.</i>	<i>£ s. d.</i>
First year's experience—				
1st six months	45	1 6	1 6	3 2 9
2nd six months .. .. .	..	1 6	1 6	4 2 9
Second year's experience—				
1st six months	75	2 0	2 3	5 4 0
2nd six months .. .. .	..	2 0	2 3	5 17 3
Third year's experience—				
1st six months	95	2 0	3 0	6 11 3
2nd six months .. .. .	..	2 0	3 0	6 14 9
Thereafter the adult male minimum wage				

Experience for the purpose of this Clause means actual experience whether as an apprentice or otherwise.

Proportion.

(In any factory or place.)

An employer shall not employ male apprentices in excess of the proportion of one male apprentice to every three male workers or fraction thereof receiving wage rates or earning at piece work prices not less than the minimum hourly wage for adult males. Such proportion shall be based on the average number of workers employed during the previous six months receiving wage rates or earning at piece work prices not less than the minimum hourly wage for adult males.

An amended indenture of apprenticeship has been prescribed by the Board.

See Clause 7 for wages and proportion of unapprenticed Junior Workers.

FEMALES—*Improvers.*

3. Females employed clicking, designing, or cutting patterns, stuff cutting, stuff fitting, or preparing for makers, or making or finishing, including the following operations in the making of slippers:—Turning, bottom levelling, wood heeling, blocking, steaming, and ironing on the last, irrespective of age or experience shall be paid the same rates as are paid to adult males on the same class of work.

Females employed attaching uppers to soles of shoes, known as or similar to the Sahara Sandal, or interlacing material of the uppers on the last or attaching such uppers to the soles of shoes known as Basket Shoes or any shoe similar thereto shall be paid the same rates as are paid to adult males on the same class of work.

Apprentices and all other improvers†—

Experience.	Adjustable Wage.	Loading Constant.	Total Wage.
	<i>£ s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>£ s. d.</i>
Under 17 years of age—			
1st six months	1 12 3	0 6	1 12 9
2nd six months	1 16 0	0 6	1 16 6
3rd six months	2 0 9	0 9	2 1 6
4th six months	2 6 6	0 9	2 7 3
5th six months	2 12 9	1 0	2 13 9
6th six months	2 19 9	1 0	3 0 9
7th six months	3 7 0	1 6	3 8 6
8th six months	3 16 6	1 6	3 18 0
And thereafter not less than the minimum wage for adult females			
17 years of age and over—			
1st six months	2 0 9	0 9	2 1 6
2nd six months	2 6 6	0 9	2 7 3
3rd six months	2 12 9	1 0	2 13 9
4th six months	2 19 9	1 0	3 0 9
5th six months	3 7 0	1 6	3 8 6
6th six months	3 16 6	1 6	3 18 0
And thereafter not less than the minimum wage for adult females			

"Experience" for the purposes of this clause means actual experience, whether as an improver or junior worker.

Proportion.

(In any factory or place.)

One female apprentice to every three or fraction of three female workers employed and receiving at wages rates or earning at piece work prices not less than the minimum wage for adult females.

* Wages of apprentices and improvers in the Metropolitan District are regulated by Apprenticeship Commission.

† Junior females may be employed on the operations set out in paragraphs (c), (d), and (e) of Clause 5 at the above rates.

Proportion.

(In any factory or place.)

Three female improvers to each female worker employed and receiving at wages rates or earning at piece work prices not less than the minimum wage for adult females.

Provided that the total number of female apprentices and improvers in any factory or place shall not exceed three to each adult female receiving not less than the minimum wage for adult females.

Other Employees.

4. (a)

MALES.

	Wages Per Week of 40 Hours.	
	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>
Pattern Cutting—		
Pattern Cutters or Designers	183	0
Clicking—		
Clicking outsides (other than felt, fabric, sheep's roans or splits)	175	0
Clicking felt, linings, fabrics, sheep's roans, splits—		
By hand	170	0
By machine	166	0
All others	166	0
Stuff cutting—		
Cutting leather outsoles, insoles or half soles	175	0
Ranging by hand	175	0
All others	166	0
Making—		
All operatives except those for whom the rates hereinafter appearing are prescribed	175	0
Operator of bottom levelling machine	166	0
Operator of buzzor machine	166	0
Operator of loose nailing machine	166	0
Bevelling by hand	166	0
Heeling by hand	166	0
Opening channels	166	0
Closing channels	166	0
Feathering	166	0
Turning pumps	166	0
Laying linings and shanking	166	0
Pulling up backs	166	0
Pulling on	166	0
Tingling and trimming (hand or machine)	166	0
Putting on heels and toe plates	166	0
Attaching wood heels by hand	166	0
Putting in stiffeners or toes	162	0
Putting in bottom fillings and shanks	162	0
Slipping off after first month's experience	162	0
Slipping off for first month of experience	156	0
Pulling out tacks	162	0
Stamping and sorting soles	162	0
Solutiouing or cementing by hand or machine	162	0
Putting studs or bars on football boots	162	0
Finishing—		
Finishing right through by hand	175	0
Operating heel trimmer	175	0
Operating edge trimmer	175	0
Operating edge setter	175	0
Operating heel scourer	175	0
Operating Naumkeag machine and/or sandpapering machine	169	0
Slipping off after first month's experience	162	0
Slipping off for first month of experience	156	0
All others	166	0

(b) In addition to the rates prescribed herein "Surgical Bootmakers" i.e., bootmakers making footwear for deformed, crippled, or mis-shapen feet, shall be paid 18s. per week, and "Bespoke Bootmakers" i.e., bootmakers making by hand footwear in accordance with individual specifications shall be paid 10s. per week.

FEMALES.

5. (a) Females employed pattern cutting, clicking, designing, or cutting patterns, stuff cutting, stuff fitting, or preparing for makers, or making or finishing, including the following operations in the making of slippers:—Turning, bottom levelling, wood heeling, blocking, steaming, and ironing on the last, irrespective of age or experience shall be paid the same rates as are paid to adult males on the same class of work.

(b) Females employed attaching uppers to soles of shoes, known as or similar to the Sahara Sandal, or interlacing material of the uppers on the last or attaching such uppers to the soles of shoes known as Basket Shoes or any shoe similar thereto shall be paid the same rates as are paid to adult males on the same class of work.

	Wages per Week of 40 Hours.	Loading Constant.	Total Wage.
	<i>s.</i> <i>d.</i>	<i>s.</i> <i>d.</i>	<i>s.</i> <i>d.</i>
(c) Females with (i) four years' experience employed on any form of sewing machine	107	3	110
(ii) any other machine	101	3	104
(iii) any other work set out in clause (6) hereof	99	2	102
(d) Females with four years' experience not otherwise provided for	99	2	102

(e) In addition to the rates prescribed herein any female employee:—

(i) operating a machine with hot or liquid wax shall be paid 7s. 6d. per week.

(ii) operating a wax thread or cord machine not using hot or liquid wax shall be paid 5s. per week.

(f) Females over the age of 21 years with less than the experience hereinbefore mentioned shall for the first twelve months be paid 99s. 9d. per week and thereafter the rate prescribed for their occupation.

Clauses, other than clauses 2, 3, 4 and 5, of the said Determination shall remain in force.

