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Labour and Industry Act 1953.

DETERMINATION OF THE ICE BOARD.

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

IN accordance with the provisions of the Labour and Industry Act 1953 the Wages Board which has the power to “determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any person or persons or classes of persons employed either inside or outside a factory or work-room in the process, trade, or business of a maker of ice for trade or sale,” has made the following Determination, namely:—

1. That as from the beginning of the first pay period to commence in November, 1955, the last previous Determination of this Board shall be revoked and replaced by this Determination:—

2.

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PROPORTION (in any factory or place).																									
One juvenile worker to every three or fraction of three workers employed and receiving not less than 317s. 6d. per week.																									

PROHIBITION OF EMPLOYMENT.

3. The Board has determined that no person shall be employed as an apprentice or an improver.

HOURS OF WORK.

4. The number of hours to constitute an ordinary week's work shall be 40 to be worked within the times of beginning and ending work prescribed by clause 5 as follows:—

(a) Shift Workers—40 hours on any five days from Monday to Saturday inclusive.

(b) All other persons—40 hours in five days of 8 hours each from Monday to Friday inclusive.

TIMES OF BEGINNING AND ENDING WORK.

5. (a) Shift Workers :—

							Time of Beginning.	Time of Ending.
Day Shift—								
Monday to Saturday inclusive	..	..	..	..	..	..	7 a.m.	3 p.m.
Afternoon Shift—								
Monday to Saturday inclusive	..	..	..	..	..	..	3 p.m.	11 p.m.
Night Shift—								
Sunday to Monday	..	..	..	..	..	..	11 p.m.	7 a.m.
Monday to Tuesday	..	..	..	..	..	..	11 p.m.	7 a.m.
Tuesday to Wednesday	..	..	..	..	..	..	11 p.m.	7 a.m.
Wednesday to Thursday	..	..	..	..	..	..	11 p.m.	7 a.m.
Thursday to Friday	..	..	..	..	..	..	11 p.m.	7 a.m.
Friday to Saturday	..	..	..	..	..	..	11 p.m.	7 a.m.

(b) All Other Persons :—

	During the Period 16th April to 15th October.		During the Period 16th October to 15th April.	
	Time of Beginning.	Time of Ending.	Time of Beginning.	Time of Ending.
Monday to Friday inclusive	7 a.m.	5 p.m.	6 a.m.	5 p.m.

OVERTIME.

6. Time and a half shall be payable for all time worked by shift workers outside the hours prescribed in clause 5, and by all other persons in excess of 8 hours per day: provided that all time worked on a Saturday by employees other than shift workers shall be paid for at time and a half for the first four hours and double time thereafter.

SHIFT WORK.

7. Shift workers on rotating shift or shift workers on afternoon or night shift shall be paid an additional amount of 17s. 6d. per week when a full week is worked or a pro-rata amount where less than a full week is worked. Such additional amount shall not be taken into account when computing overtime.

WEEKLY DAY OFF.

8. The employer shall prepare a roster providing for a regular day off each week between Monday and Saturday for shift workers.

MINIMUM HOURS ON DAY OFF.

9. Employees called upon to work on their day off shall receive a minimum of four hours' work and payment at the rate of time and a half.

SPECIAL RATES.

10. Double Time shall be the rate for all work done on Sundays, New Year's Day, Australia Day, Good Friday, Easter Monday, Labour Day, Anzac Day, Queen's Birthday, 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, the special rate shall only be payable for work done on the day so substituted.

Any employee required to work on a holiday or a Sunday shall receive a minimum of four hours' work or shall be paid for such four hours at double time, and ordinary pay for the remainder of the day.

TIME RATE.

11. 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 20 hours be paid at the ordinary wages rate, with an addition of thirty-three and one-third per centum, and for each hour worked beyond the hours aforesaid the rate of wages payable shall be the ordinary wages rate up to but not exceeding ordinary wages rates for an ordinary week's work.

PAYMENT OF WAGES.

12. Payment of wages shall be made weekly during working hours.

SMOKO INTERVAL.

13. Any person who is employed continuously in an artificially cooled ice storage chamber for two hours or more shall be allowed fifteen minutes' interval for smoko between meals without deduction of pay.

TERMINATION OF EMPLOYMENT.

14. 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 four weeks or more.

ANNUAL HOLIDAY.

15. (a) The annual holiday shall be as prescribed by the provisions of the *Labour and Industry Act 1953*, and any amendments which may be made thereto from time to time.

(b) In addition to the above, rotating shift workers shall be allowed for each twelve monthly qualifying period one week's leave including non-working days.

(c) Where an employee with twelve months' continuous service is engaged for part of the twelve-monthly period as a rotating shift worker, he shall be entitled to have the period of two weeks' annual leave prescribed by the said Act increased by one half day for each month he is continuously engaged as aforesaid.

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

SICK LEAVE.

16. (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 or a proportionate 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 an employee shall be entitled in any year without deduction of pay.

For the purpose of this sub-clause service prior to the 11th June, 1943, shall be disregarded.

RUBBER BOOTS AND CANVAS GLOVES TO BE PROVIDED.

17. (a) The employer shall each year supply the employee with one pair of rubber boots which shall remain the property of the employer, provided that under circumstances of exceptional wear or inferiority in the quality of the boots the employer shall provide replacements.

(b) Canvas gloves which shall remain the property of the employer shall be supplied to the employee when necessary.

TIME BOOK AND WAGE RECORD.

18. Every employee shall indelibly record daily his correct times of beginning and ending work in a book, or on time cards, or by a mechanical contrivance, which shall be furnished by the employer. In addition to such time record every employee shall be required to sign each week a wage book or other record showing the total amount received as wages for such week.

UNION INSPECTION.

19. The secretary, assistant secretary, or organizer of the Federated Cold Storage and Meat Preserving Employees' Union of Australia, duly authorized in writing either generally or specially under the seal of the said Union, shall have access to the records of times recorded by employees and wages paid, provided that such inspection is made between the hours of 9 a.m. and 4.30 p.m. on a working day. Such authority shall be produced to the employer on demand.

PERIODICAL ADJUSTMENT OF WAGES.

20. The wages rates for males set out in clause 2 are based upon the following basic wage and, pursuant to the provisions of Section 33 of the *Labour and Industry Act 1953*, the Board hereby determines that such rates shall be automatically adjusted as prescribed by clause 21.

Basic Wage.

Place.	Basic Wage.	Index Number Set Assigned.
Throughout the State	<p style="text-align: center;">£ s. d. 12 6 0</p>	Melbourne

ADJUSTMENT OF BASIC WAGE.

21. (a) For the purposes of this Determination, the expression "Commonwealth Statistician's 'C' series 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, 1956, the amount of the basic wage shall be as prescribed in clause 20.

(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 basic wage shall be adjusted by the following method, namely, by multiplying the last published Commonwealth Statistician's "C" series retail price index number by the factor .103 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 juveniles shall be the appropriate percentages as set out in clause 2, such wages shall be calculated to the nearest 6d., half or less than half of 6d. to be disregarded.

P. A. RANGLES J.P., Chairman.

J. V. WILLOX, Secretary.

Melbourne, 7th November, 1955.

