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Factories and Shops Acts.

## DETERMINATIONS OF THE WIRE-WORKERS BOARD.

IN accordance with the provisions of the Factories and Shops Acts, the Special Board, called the "Wire-workers Board," appointed by His Excellency the Governor of Victoria in Council on the eighteenth day of August, 1908, to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any person or persons or classes of persons employed either inside or outside a factory or work-room in the process, trade, or business of:—

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

has made the following Determinations, viz. :—

That the lowest wages, prices, or rates of payment to be paid to the person or persons or classes of persons hereinafter named employed either inside or outside a factory or work-room in the process, trade, or business of a wire-worker as above defined, or for wholly or partly preparing or manufacturing or repairing any articles specified and classified hereunder shall be as follows :—

For "Weavers"—£2 9s. 0d. per week for each week consisting of a maximum number of 48 hours.

For "Bench-hands"—£2 8s. 0d. per week for each week consisting of a maximum number of 48 hours.

For "Light work wire-workers"—£2 2s. 0d. per week for each week consisting of a maximum number of 48 hours.

For "Weavers' Strikers"—Any adult person employed as a weaver's striker shall be paid at the rate of £1 16s. per week for each week consisting of a maximum number of 48 hours.

For "Improvers"—

	s.	d.	
For the 1st year .. .. .	6	0	} per week for each week consisting of a maximum number of 48 hours.
" 2nd " .. .. .	10	0	
" 3rd " .. .. .	15	0	
" 4th " .. .. .	20	0	
" 5th " .. .. .	23	0	
" 6th " .. .. .	27	0	

For "Apprentices"—

	s.	d.	
For the 1st year .. .. .	6	0	} per week for each week consisting of a maximum number of 48 hours.
" 2nd " .. .. .	9	0	
" 3rd " .. .. .	12	0	
" 4th " .. .. .	15	0	
" 5th " .. .. .	20	0	
" 6th " .. .. .	25	0	



SCHEDULE I.—(1ST GRADE, WIRE-WORK)—*continued.*

						s.	d.	
Riddles—								
20-in.,	$\frac{1}{2}$ -in. mesh,	17 gauge wire	..	..	..	1	0	each.
"	$\frac{5}{8}$ "	16	..	..	..	0	10	"
"	$\frac{3}{4}$ "	15	..	..	..	0	10	"
"	$\frac{7}{8}$ "	14	..	..	..	0	9	"
"	1	13	..	..	..	0	9	"
22-in.,	$\frac{1}{2}$ "	17	..	..	..	1	0	"
"	$\frac{5}{8}$ "	16	..	..	..	0	10	"
"	$\frac{3}{4}$ "	15	..	..	..	0	10	"
"	$\frac{7}{8}$ "	14	..	..	..	0	9	"
"	1	13	..	..	..	0	9	"

(To be made in not less than six dozen lots, assorted meshes.)

						s.	d.	
Screens—								
5 feet x 2 ft. 6 in.	..	..	..	..	..	7	6	each for all meshes.
6 " x 3 feet	..	..	..	..	..	9	0	" "
Screens (locket)—								
5 feet x 2 ft. 6 in.	..	..	..	..	..	9	0	each for all meshes.
6 " x 3 feet	..	..	..	..	..	10	6	" "
Straight work—								
$\frac{1}{2}$ -in. mesh, 16 and 12 gauge wire laced with 22 gauge	..	..	..	..	..	0	2	per square foot.
" 14 " 10 " 20 "	..	..	..	..	..	0	2 $\frac{1}{2}$	"
" 12 " 8 " 18 "	..	..	..	..	..	0	3 $\frac{1}{2}$	"
Wall ties (simplex), 10 gauge wire	..	..	..	..	..	8	6	per gross.

## SCHEDULE II.—(2ND GRADE, WIRE-WORK.)

						s.	d.	
Cage fronts—								
Wiring fronts, wood frames provided	..	..	..	..	..	3	6	per dozen.
Wire fronts	..	..	..	..	..	4	0	"
Cages, canary (common)—								
9-in., with bell tops	..	..	..	..	..	5	6	per dozen.
9-in., without bell tops	..	..	..	..	..	5	0	"

(To be made in three dozen lots.)

						s.	d.	
Cages, parrot (common)—								
12-in.	..	..	..	..	..	6	0	per dozen.
14 "	..	..	..	..	..	7	0	"
16 "	..	..	..	..	..	8	6	"
18 "	..	..	..	..	..	10	0	"
20 "	..	..	..	..	..	14	0	"

(To be made in not less than four dozen lots, assorted or otherwise.)

						s.	d.	
Cages, parrot (galvanized)—								
12-in.	..	..	..	..	..	6	6	per dozen.
14 "	..	..	..	..	..	7	6	"
16 "	..	..	..	..	..	9	0	"
18 "	..	..	..	..	..	10	6	"
20 "	..	..	..	..	..	14	6	"

To be galvanized after made, and in not less than four (4) dozen lots. Grates or false bottoms to be paid at the rate of 6d. each, or 6s. per dozen extra.

Dog muzzles, 5s. per dozen, complete, with binding and straps. To be made in quantities of not less than one gross at a time, assorted.

						s.	d.	
Fern baskets—								
8-in.	..	..	..	..	..	2	6	per dozen.
10 "	..	..	..	..	..	3	0	"
12 "	..	..	..	..	..	4	0	"

(To be made in lots of not less than one (1) gross.)

						s.	d.	
Floral designs—								
8-in.	..	..	..	..	..	2	6	per dozen.
10 "	..	..	..	..	..	2	6	"
12 "	..	..	..	..	..	2	6	"
14 "	..	..	..	..	..	4	0	"
16 "	..	..	..	..	..	4	0	"

						s.	d.	
Gridirons—								
Light, made of 12 and 14 gauge wire, 8, 10, and 12 inch size	..	..	..	..	..	30	0	per gross.
Medium, made of 10 and 12 gauge wire, 8, 10, and 12 inch "	..	..	..	..	..	32	0	"

(To be made in lots of not less than one gross.)

## SCHEDULE II.—(2ND GRADE, WIRE-WORK)—continued.

Sewer vent pipe covers—					s.	d.	
1½-in.	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	6	per dozen.
2 "	.....	.....	.....	.....	3	0	"
2½ "	.....	.....	.....	.....	3	6	"
3 "	.....	.....	.....	.....	4	0	"
3½ "	.....	.....	.....	.....	4	6	"
4½ "	.....	.....	.....	.....	5	6	"

Sieves—					s.	d.	
18-in.	.....	.....	.....	.....	3	6	per dozen.
20 "	.....	.....	.....	.....	3	6	"
22 "	.....	.....	.....	.....	3	6	"

(To be made in not less than six dozen lots, all meshes; assorted sizes.)

Wall ties—					s.	d.	
6 and 4 gauge wire	.....	.....	.....	.....	4	0	per cwt.
8 gauge wire	.....	.....	.....	.....	5	0	"

Wall ties (dimple)—					s.	d.	
6 and 4 gauge wire	.....	.....	.....	.....	5	6	per cwt.
8 gauge wire	.....	.....	.....	.....	6	6	"

Weaving—Sieve cloth—					s.	d.	
½-in. mesh, 17 and 18 gauge wire	.....	.....	.....	.....	0	0½	per square foot
¾ " " 17 " 18	.....	.....	.....	.....	0	0½	"
3 " " 3 holes to inch, 18 gauge wire	.....	.....	.....	.....	0	0½	"
4 " " 20 gauge wire	.....	.....	.....	.....	0	0½	"
5 " " 21 " "	.....	.....	.....	.....	0	0½	"
6 " " 22 " "	.....	.....	.....	.....	0	0½	"
7 " " 23 " "	.....	.....	.....	.....	0	0½	"
8 " " 24 " "	.....	.....	.....	.....	0	0½	"
9 " " 25 " "	.....	.....	.....	.....	0	1	"
10 " " 25 and 26 " "	.....	.....	.....	.....	0	1	"
12 " " 26 " 27 " "	.....	.....	.....	.....	0	1	"
14 " " 27 " 28 " "	.....	.....	.....	.....	0	1½	"
16 " " 28 " 29 " "	.....	.....	.....	.....	0	1½	"
18 " " 29 " 30 " "	.....	.....	.....	.....	0	1¾	"
20 " " 30 to 32 " "	.....	.....	.....	.....	0	2	"
24 " " 32 and 33 " "	.....	.....	.....	.....	0	2½	"

Weaving (medium cloth)—					s.	d.	
¾-in. mesh, 15 and 16 gauge wire	.....	.....	.....	.....	0	1½	per square foot.
3 " 15 " 16 "	.....	.....	.....	.....	0	1½	"
4 " 16, 17 " 18 "	.....	.....	.....	.....	0	1½	"
5 " 17 " 18 "	.....	.....	.....	.....	0	1½	"
6 " 18 " 19 "	.....	.....	.....	.....	0	1½	"
7 " 19 " 20 "	.....	.....	.....	.....	0	1½	"
8 " 19 " 20 "	.....	.....	.....	.....	0	1½	"
9 " 19 " 20 "	.....	.....	.....	.....	0	1½	"
10 " 20 " 21 "	.....	.....	.....	.....	0	2	"
12 " 24 " 25 "	.....	.....	.....	.....	0	2	"
14 " 25 " 26 "	.....	.....	.....	.....	0	2	"
16 " 26 " 27 "	.....	.....	.....	.....	0	2½	"
18 " 27 " 28 "	.....	.....	.....	.....	0	2½	"
20 " 28 " 29 "	.....	.....	.....	.....	0	2½	"
24 " 28 " 29 "	.....	.....	.....	.....	0	3	"

(And that such prices be paid for medium-cloth weaving for lengths of not less than 30 yards.)

Weaving (stick work)—					s.	d.	
7 and 8 mesh, 17 and 18 gauge wire	.....	.....	.....	.....	0	2½	per square foot.
9 " 10 " 17 " 18 "	.....	.....	.....	.....	0	2½	"
12 to 14 " 20 to 22 "	.....	.....	.....	.....	0	3	"
16 " 18 " 23 and 24 "	.....	.....	.....	.....	0	3	"
20 " 23 " 24 "	.....	.....	.....	.....	0	3½	"
24 " 25 " 26 "	.....	.....	.....	.....	0	3½	"

(To be made in lengths of not less than 30 yards.)

These Determinations shall be and remain in force on and after the first day of December, A.D. 1909.

Dated this 14th day of October, A.D. 1909.

CHARLES A. C. CRESSWELL,  
Chairman of the said Board.