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Factories and Shops Acts.

DETERMINATION OF THE FURNITURE (BEDDING) BOARD.

NOTE.—This Determination on the 11th May, 1921, applied to the Metropolitan District as defined in the Factories and Shops Acts; the cities of Ballarat, Bendigo, Geelong, and Warrnambool; the towns of Ballarat East and Sandringham; the boroughs of Eaglehawk, Geelong West, Newtown and Chilwell, and Sebastopol.

IN accordance with the provisions of the Factories and Shops Acts, the Wages Board appointed to determine the lowest prices or rates of payment payable to any person employed in wholly or partly preparing or manufacturing any articles of furniture usually made or partly prepared by cabinetmakers, chair and couch makers, upholsterers, wood carvers, frenchpolishers, and wood turners, and to persons employed in the manufacture of overmantels and wood mantelpieces, other than wood mantels to be painted, such as are made in saw-mills; also mattresses or bedding, and to female workers employed as upholstresses, whether as carpet hands, table hands, or drapery hands, also to male persons employed at planning and laying carpets or linoleums or floor cloths or fixing draperies, has made the following Determination, namely:—

(1) That on the 11th May, 1921, the last previous Determination of this Board for bedding hands shall be revoked and replaced by this Determination.

(2)

Apprentices and Improvers.			Juvenile Workers.		All other Employees.	
WAGES.	Per week of 48 hours.	Per week of 44 hours.	WAGES.		WAGES.	Per week of 48 hours.
	Male.	Female.	Male persons under 18 years of age (other than apprentices or improvers) employed solely in teasing bedding materials—			
	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>			<i>s. d.</i>
1st six months ..	16 6	14 6	1st year ..	24 0	Male bedding hands, including repairers ..	96 6
2nd six months ..	19 0	19 0	2nd year ..	31 0		
3rd six months ..	26 0	22 6	3rd year ..	38 6		
4th six months ..	31 6	22 6	and thereafter ..	81 6		
5th six months ..	34 6	31 6			Female bedding hands, including repairers ..	48 0
6th six months ..	43 6	31 6				
7th six months ..	46 0	36 0				
8th six months ..	53 0	41 0				
9th six months ..	60 0	..				
10th six months ..	66 9	..				

PROPORTION (within any factory or place).

Apprentices.
One male apprentice to every two or fraction of two male workers receiving not less than 96s. 6d. per week of 48 hours.
One female apprentice to every female worker receiving not less than 48s. per week of 44 hours.

Improvers.
One male improver to every five male workers receiving not less than 96s. 6d. per week of 48 hours.
One female improver to every five female workers receiving not less than 48s. per week of 44 hours.

An indenture of apprenticeship prescribed was approved on 3rd February, 1921.

(3) TIME OF BEGINNING AND ENDING WORK.—

Time of Beginning.		Time of Ending.
7.30 a.m.	12 noon on the day on which the half-holiday is observed, and
7.30 a.m.	5.15 p.m. on the other working days of the week.

(4) OVERTIME.—The following rates shall be paid for all work done:—

- (a) Outside the hours fixed as the times of beginning and ending work
- (b) Within the hours fixed as the times of beginning and ending work in excess of 48 hours in any week for males, and 44 hours in any week for females

} Time and a half.

(5) CASUAL LABOUR.—Casual employees (i.e., persons employed during any week for not more than one-half the maximum number of hours fixed in this Determination as a week's work) shall be paid at the rate of time and a quarter.

(6) SPECIAL RATES.—Double time shall be the rate for all work done on New Year's Day, Good Friday, Easter Monday, Eight Hours Day (21st April), Christmas Day, or Boxing Day, but if any other day be by Act of Parliament or Proclamation substituted for any of the above-named holidays, the special rates shall only be payable for work done on the day so substituted.

E. NOTLEY MOORE, P.M.,
Chairman.
W. P. WEIR,
Secretary.

Melbourne, 11th April, 1921.