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*Factories and Shops Act 1928 (No. 3677).*

## DETERMINATION OF THE AGRICULTURAL IMPLEMENTS BOARD.

**NOTE.**—This Determination on the 27th February, 1933, applied to the following parts of Victoria, namely:—The Metropolitan District as defined in the *Factories and Shops Act 1928 (No. 3677)* (and the Order in Council thereunder), and such portions of the city of Sandringham and the shire of Braybrook as are not included within the said District; the cities of Ballarat, Bendigo, Geelong, Geelong West, and Warrnambool; the town of Newtown and Chilwell; and the boroughs of Eaglehawk and Sebastopol.

IN accordance with the provisions of the *Factories and Shops Act 1928 (No. 3677)* the Wages Board appointed to "determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any person or persons or classes of persons employed in the process, trade, or business of a maker of—

- agricultural machinery or implements;
- parts of agricultural machinery or implements; or
- bag-filling machinery, bone-crushers, butter-making machinery, chaff-cutters, corn-crushing machinery, cream separators, hay presses, horse works, iron feeding troughs, lawn mowers, machinery for treating flax or hemp, maize shellers, windmills."

has made the following Determination, namely:—

On 21st December, 1910, this Board was given power to fix rates for persons "employed in assembling or putting together any parts of machinery or implements of classes or kinds (whether the same have been made inside or outside the State) same or similar to those for which the said Board has power to fix prices or rates."

(1) That on the 27th February, 1933, the last previous Determination of this Board shall be revoked and replaced by this Determination.

(2)

| Apprentices and Improvers. |                       | Juvenile Workers.  |                             | Other Employees.                                    |                             |
|----------------------------|-----------------------|--------------------|-----------------------------|---|-----------------------------|
| WAGES.                     | Per Week of 48 Hours. |                    | Wages per Week of 48 Hours. |   | Wages per Week of 48 Hours. |
| <i>Apprentices</i>         |                       |                    | <i>s. d.</i>                |   | <i>s. d.</i>                |
|                            |                       | 14 years of age .. | 14 6                        | Assemblers .. .. .                                  | 64 5                        |
|                            | <i>s. d.</i>          | 15 years of age .. | 17 4                        | Attendants at paint mills ..                        | 60 4                        |
| 1st year's experience ..   | 13 1                  | 16 years of age .. | 20 8                        | Bolt cutters .. .. .                                | 63 0                        |
| 2nd year's experience ..   | 16 2                  | 17 years of age .. | 26 5                        | Blacksmiths .. .. .                                 | 73 10                       |
| 3rd year's experience ..   | 22 1                  | 18 years of age .. | 30 1                        | Blacksmith's strikers ..                            | 63 0                        |
| 4th year's experience ..   | 27 11                 | 19 years of age .. | 37 4                        | Bulldozer men .. .. .                               | 69 9                        |
| 5th year's experience ..   | 36 5                  | 20 years of age .. | 43 10                       | Carpenters .. .. .                                  | 73 10                       |
| <i>Improvers.</i>          |                       |                    |                             | Crane attendants .. .. .                            | 60 4                        |
| 1st year's experience ..   | 11 11                 |                    |                             | Cranes—   |                             |
| 2nd year's experience ..   | 14 6                  |                    |                             | Operators of overhead travelling ..                 | 63 0                        |
| 3rd year's experience ..   | 19 2                  |                    |                             | Men in charge of other ..                           | 63 0                        |
| 4th year's experience ..   | 23 11                 |                    |                             | Drillers .. .. .                                    | 63 6                        |
| 5th year's experience ..   | 30 10                 |                    |                             | Fitters engaged in fittingscarifiers, harrows, drag |                             |
| 6th year's experience ..   | 40 3                  |                    |                             | harrows, disc ploughs, mould-board ploughs,         |                             |
|                            |                       |                    |                             | disc cultivators, tooth cultivators, or rollers     | 69 9                        |
|                            |                       |                    |                             | Other fitters .. .. .                               | 73 10                       |
|                            |                       |                    |                             | Grinders .. .. .                                    | 67 1                        |
|                            |                       |                    |                             | Labourers .. .. .                                   | 60 4                        |
|                            |                       |                    |                             | Machinists (iron) not otherwise provided for ..     | 87 1                        |
|                            |                       |                    |                             | Machinists (wood) not otherwise provided for        | 69 9                        |
|                            |                       |                    |                             | Men working wood-shaping machine or Boulton's       |                             |
|                            |                       |                    |                             | carver .. .. .                                      | 73 10                       |
|                            |                       |                    |                             | Men working boring machine .. .. .                  | 63 0                        |
|                            |                       |                    |                             | Men working mortising machines, or cross-cut        |                             |
|                            |                       |                    |                             | saw .. .. .   | 63 0                        |
|                            |                       |                    |                             | Painters—Writers and liners .. .. .                 | 73 10                       |
|                            |                       |                    |                             | Painters—Brush hands .. .. .                        | 63 0                        |
|                            |                       |                    |                             | Paint mixers .. .. .                                | 63 0                        |

PROPORTION (in any factory or place).

*Apprentices.*

One apprentice to every two or fraction of two workers receiving at wages rates or piece-work prices not less than 60s. 4d. per week of 48 hours.

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| Apprentices and Improvers.  | Juvenile Workers. | Other Employees.   |
|---|-------------------|--|
| PROPORTION (in any factory or place)—<br><i>continued.</i>  |                   | Wages<br>per Week of<br>48 hours.  |
| <i>Improvers.</i>   |                   | <i>s. d.</i>   |
| One improver to the first six or fraction<br>of six adults receiving not less than<br>67s. 1d. per week of 48 hours, and<br>thereafter one improver to every six<br>additional such adults. |                   | Pattern makers .. .. . 78 6<br>Persons dismantling implements .. .. . 60 4<br>Pullers-out .. .. . 63 0<br>Sheet-iron workers .. .. . 73 10<br>Storeman under man in charge .. .. . 60 4<br>Stores, men in charge of .. .. . 63 0<br>Timber markers .. .. . 73 10<br>Timber stackers .. .. . 60 4<br>Timber yardmen .. .. . 63 0<br>Turners .. .. . 73 10<br>Wheelwrights .. .. . 73 10 |

**DEFINITIONS—***Juvenile Workers—*

Persons under 21 years of age (other than apprentices or improvers) employed—

- (a) Finning, pointing, heating, and cutting off.
- (b) Screwing and tapping bolts in any department.
- (c) Holding up.
- (d) Striking for apprentices to blacksmithing.
- (e) Working ungeared drilling machines, drilling holes up to and inclusive of  $\frac{1}{4}$ -in. diameter.

*Assembler—*

Any adult person employed in putting together any of the classes or kinds of machinery or implements affected by the Determination, and which have been previously fitted or so standardized as to require no fitting; but shall not include any adult person employed in cutting or shaping the material of which such machinery or implements are composed.

(3) OVERTIME.—Any employee who works in excess of 48 hours in any week shall be paid for such work at the rate of time and a half.

(4) SPECIAL RATES.—Time and three-quarters shall be paid for all work done on Sundays, New Year's Day, 26th January (Australia Day), Eight Hours Day (21st April), Good Friday, Easter Saturday, Easter Monday, 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 be payable only for work done on the day so substituted.

(5) PIECE-WORK.—The Board determines under the provisions of Section 150 of the *Factories and Shops Act 1928* that any employer may fix and pay piece-work prices to any person employed at any work for which the Board has fixed a minimum wage, provided that any such employer shall base such piece-work prices on the earnings of an average worker working under like conditions and such piece-work prices shall be fixed so that an average worker can earn not less than the wages rates that are fixed by the Board for such work.

W. W. HARRIS, Chairman.

J. B. McINDOE, Secretary.

Melbourne, 16th February, 1933.



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THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 23.

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*Factories and Shops Act 1928 (No. 3677).*

## DETERMINATION OF THE DYERS AND CLOTHES CLEANERS BOARD.

NOTE.—This Determination on the 3rd March, 1933, applies to the following parts of Victoria, namely:—The Metropolitan district as defined in the *Factories and Shops Act 1928 (No. 3677)*; the cities of Ballarat, Bendigo, Geelong, and Warrnambool, the towns of Ballarat East and Sandringham; and 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 which may be paid to any person or persons or classes of persons employed in the process, trade, or business of a dyer or clothes cleaner, has made the following Determination, namely:—

(1) That on the 3rd March, 1933, the last previous Determination of this Board shall be revoked and replaced by this Determination.

(2) (a)

### APPRENTICES OR IMPROVERS.

| Experience.    | Males.        | Females.      | Female Improvers<br>commencing at the Trade<br>between the ages of 18<br>and 21 years. | Male Juveniles,<br>Definition Clause (4). |
|----------------|---------------|---------------|--|---|
|                | Weekly Wages. | Weekly Wages. | Weekly Wages.  | Weekly Wages.                             |
|                | £ s. d.       | £ s. d.       | £ s. d.  | £ s. d.                                   |
| 1st six months | 0 10 2        | 0 7 3         | 0 19 2   | 16 years of age .. 0 15 4                 |
| 2nd "          | 0 12 8        | 0 9 6         | 1 3 11   | 17 " " .. 1 0 3                           |
| 3rd "          | 0 15 4        | 0 12 0        | 1 8 10   | 18 " " .. 1 10 5                          |
| 4th "          | 0 17 10       | 0 14 5        | 1 13 4   | 19 " " .. 2 5 0                           |
| 5th "          | 1 0 3         | 0 19 2        | ..   | 20 " " .. 2 15 10                         |
| 6th "          | 1 5 3         | 1 3 11        | ..   |   |
| 7th "          | 1 12 11       | 1 8 10        | ..   |   |
| 8th "          | 2 0 6         | 1 13 4        | ..   |   |

And thereafter the minimum weekly wage or piece-work price.

### (b) PROPORTION (IN ANY FACTORY OR PLACE).

#### APPRENTICES OR IMPROVERS.

##### Males.

One apprentice or improver to every two or fraction of two journeymen.

##### Females.

Three female apprentices or improvers to every journeywoman. Provided that where in respect of any class the same rate is fixed for a journeywoman as is fixed thereby for a journeyman not more than one female apprentice or improver shall be employed to every two journeywomen in such class.

All apprentices shall be indentured in accordance with the prescribed form of indenture, provided that a minor may serve an employer as a probationer for a period not exceeding three months. During the said three months he or she shall be paid at least the minimum rates prescribed by this Determination for the first six months of apprenticeship. If the probationer becomes indentured, his or her indentures shall be taken to have commenced from the commencement of the period of probation.

In the event of the employer to whom an apprentice is bound ceasing to carry on business, such apprentice may be bound to another employer for the remainder of the term to be served; provided that if such apprentice be over the age of eighteen years at the time of the original employer ceasing to carry on business, such person may complete the time to be served as an improver.

Notwithstanding anything contained in this Determination, any person who at the date of the coming into force of this Determination is employed in the industry and whose engagement or continued employment as an improver is by this Determination forbidden shall be entitled to be employed and shall be paid the scale of wages prescribed for an apprentice or improver of like experience.

*Juveniles.*

One male juvenile may be employed to every two or fraction of two adults.

*Other Persons except Apprentices, Improvers, and Juvenile Workers.*

|  | Weekly Wages. |          |
|--|---------------|----------|
|  | Males.        | Females. |
|  | £ s. d.       | £ s. d.  |
| Dyers, who are competent to mix dyes and who are employed mixing dyes and dyeing articles of all descriptions .. .. .  | 4 9 2         | 4 9 2    |
| Pressers, employed pressing off any part of articles of wearing apparel of all descriptions ..   | 3 12 11       | ..       |
| Machine dry-cleaners, namely, the person in charge of or the principal person operating a dry-cleaning machine .. .. .   | 3 12 11       | ..       |
| Other dry cleaners .. .. .   | 3 9 4         | ..       |
| All other cleaners, finishers, or spotters .. .. .   | 3 6 8         | ..       |
| Hat blockers employed blocking hats .. .. .  | 3 12 0        | ..       |
| All others .. .. .   | 3 3 11        | ..       |
| <i>Journeywomen.</i>   |               |          |
| Machine pressers employed on a pressing machine, pressing-off any part of a male outer garment, or pressing-off any part of a female coat, overcoat, topcoat, or cloak, or any part of a woman's costume coat and mantle as is made of tweed, twill, worsted or similar material .. .. . | ..            | 3 12 11  |
| Pressers, employed pressing-off any part of male outer garments .. .. .  | ..            | 3 12 11  |
| Pressers employed pressing any article using an iron exceeding 9-lb. in weight .. .. .   | ..            | 3 12 11  |
| Pressers employed pressing any article using an iron not exceeding 9-lb. in weight .. .. .   | ..            | 2 1 0    |
| Machine dry-cleaners employed operating a dry-cleaning machine or cleaning garments by machine .. .. .   | ..            | 3 12 11  |
| Other dry cleaners .. .. .   | ..            | 1 18 3   |
| Wet cleaners, spotters, glove-cleaners or steamers .. .. .   | ..            | 1 18 3   |
| Repairers, employed repairing articles of all descriptions .. .. .   | ..            | 2 2 4    |
| Receivers or despatchers .. .. .   | ..            | 1 18 3   |
| Feather dressers and hat trimmers .. .. .  | ..            | 1 18 3   |
| All others .. .. .   | ..            | 1 15 7   |

(4) DEFINITIONS AND CLASSIFICATION OF EMPLOYEES.

A *journeyman* is a male person other than an apprentice or improver or juvenile worker. (i) Who has served the term of experience prescribed by this Determination; or

A *journeywoman* is a female person other than an apprentice or improver. (ii) Who has attained the age of 21 years; or (iii) Who is in receipt of at least the minimum weekly wage prescribed for the class of work on which such person is engaged, whether on weekly wages or piece-work.

A *juvenile worker* is a male person under the age of 21 years, other than an apprentice or improver.

(5) HOURS OF EMPLOYMENT.

Forty-four hours shall constitute a week's work within the following hours:—Time of beginning, 8 a.m.; time of ending, 6 p.m.—on five days of the week. Time of beginning, 8 a.m.; time of ending, 1 p.m.—on the other day of the week on which the half-holiday is usually observed. Provided that receivers and despatchers may be required to work on Friday evenings in shops without payment of overtime, on condition that not more than 48 hours per week are worked. Provided further that if the majority of the employees desire to start at 7.30 a.m. the work may begin at 7.30 a.m.

(6) OVERTIME.

(a) Any employee who, in any day, has performed any work outside the working hours ordinarily observed in the factory in which he or she is employed, shall be paid overtime as follows:—

(1) Weekly workers shall be paid at the rate of time and one-half, and shall also be paid 1s. 6d. meal money when such overtime exceeds 40 minutes on week-days or three hours on the day of the week on which the half-holiday is usually observed.

(2) Piece-workers shall be paid (in addition to the ordinary piece-work prices for work done in the excess time) such sum per hour as is equivalent to the weekly wage divided by 88, and shall also be paid 1s. 6d. meal money when such overtime exceeds 40 minutes on week days or three hours on the day of the week on which the half-holiday is usually observed.

(b) No employee shall be employed overtime outside the hours fixed, except with his or her consent.

(c) No employee shall be dismissed; or in any way whatsoever be prejudiced in his or her employment, by reason of his or her refusal to work overtime outside the hours fixed.

(d) No employee under the age of sixteen years shall be employed overtime.

(7) MIDDAY MEAL.

(a) An interval of not less than three-quarters of an hour shall be allowed for the midday meal unless a majority of the employees in any place desire it to be otherwise. In no circumstances shall less than thirty minutes be fixed.

(b) No work shall be performed during such meal time.

(8) TASK SYSTEM.

No employer shall make a bonus or merit payment which fluctuates from period to period according to the amount of work performed by the employee concerned, and which is based upon a secret or task rate for measuring the output of such employee. No increase in wages granted to any employee, after the date of operation of this Determination, above the rates herein prescribed shall be deemed to be in contravention of this clause if the same be paid for a period of three months, or for the term of employment, whichever period is the shorter; provided, however, that such increased wages may, at the discretion of the employer, be adjusted according to the wages rates prescribed from time to time by this Determination.

In all factories and workshops where a minimum task is set for a minimum wage the following shall be observed:—

(a) Until after the termination of six months from the coming into operation of this Determination the minimum task in operation in any workshop or factory on the date on which this Determination becomes operative shall be the minimum task for the minimum wage after the date of operation of this Determination, and shall not during the said period of six months be increased or decreased because of any increase or decrease in wages, and shall not during the said period of six months be increased unless an altered or improved method of working is introduced.

(b) The task rate in respect of all garments or parts of garments or other articles or parts of articles shall be determined in the manner following:—

- (i) Where there are fewer than twenty employees involved in the work to be performed, the employer or his representative, in conference with one employee chosen by and from such employees, shall fix the rates.
  - (ii) Where there are twenty or more employees involved in the work to be performed, the employer or his representative, in conference with two employees so chosen, shall fix the rates.
- (c) The task rates shall be fixed so as to enable the average worker to earn the minimum wage prescribed by this Determination for the class of work to be performed; and any number of garments or parts of garments or other articles or parts of articles made in excess of the minimum weekly task fixed by the task rates for the minimum weekly wage shall be paid for at *pro rata* plus 10 per cent.
- (d) When any employer is employed for less than a week on the task rates, then the task of the said employee shall be fixed at per day at the weekly rate provided for.
- (e) Any excess number of garments or parts of garments or other articles or parts of articles made in any day by the employee shall be subject to the same *pro rata* payment as would apply if the employee were engaged for the whole week.
- (f) A copy of all task rate schedules shall, within twenty-four hours of their being fixed, be displayed by the employer in a conspicuous place in each and every room of the workshop or factory where such tasks respectively are being performed.
- (g) A combination or team shall mean two or more persons working together on the same class of work, employed on weekly wages where a task has been imposed. Where employees work in a combination or team, the additional amount of wages shall be distributed amongst the employees on a percentage basis, according to the amount of their ordinary weekly wages.

(9)

#### HOLIDAYS.

(a) All weekly wage employees, whether in a city or elsewhere, shall be granted the following holidays without deduction of pay:—The days observed as New Year's Day, Australia Day, Good Friday, Easter Monday, Eight Hours Day, Anzac Day, King's Birthday, Christmas Day, and Boxing Day.

(b) All employees working on piece-work or task-work shall be granted the same holidays as are granted to weekly wage workers, and, subject as hereinafter provided, they shall be paid for such holidays the amount for each holiday based on the minimum weekly wage prescribed by this Determination for the class of work performed.

(c) If any of the above holidays occurs on a Sunday or Saturday and is not observed on any other day, then employees shall not be paid for such Sunday, and shall be paid for such Saturday as for a half day, but not otherwise.

(d) All other weekly employees, whether in a city or elsewhere, shall be paid for the above holidays an amount for each holiday based on the actual weekly wage paid to them by the employer.

(e) Any employee absenting himself or herself from work on any portion of the working day preceding or any portion of the working day succeeding a holiday provided for herein, other than Boxing Day and New Year's Day, without permission from the employer or without having reasonable cause for having absented himself or herself from work, shall not be entitled to payment for such holiday.

(f) Any weekly employee who is employed on a Sunday or any holiday provided for herein shall be paid for that day at the rate of time and a half in addition to his or her weekly wage.

(g) Any piece-worker employed on a Sunday or any holiday prescribed by this Determination shall be paid, in addition to the prescribed piece-work prices, at the rate of time and a half calculated on the minimum wage prescribed for the class of work performed.

(10)

#### TERMS OF ENGAGEMENT.

(a) The week shall terminate on a day other than Monday or Saturday, and all employees shall be paid all moneys due to them in full during the ordinary working hours not later than two working days following the termination of the week. In order to terminate employment of a weekly employee, two days' notice shall be given on any day, with payment to date of termination, or in lieu thereof two days' pay shall be paid or deducted. When employment is terminated by an employer, the employer shall, upon the date of such termination, pay to the employee (weekly employee or piece-worker) all moneys due to him or her, and, when employment is terminated by an employee in accordance with the terms of this Determination, the employer shall pay to the employee (weekly employee or piece-worker) all moneys due to him or her.

(b) All weekly wages shall be paid to the employees in full, with the following exceptions:—

(1) *Turns to be Observed.*—In slack times the employer shall observe turns of employment for weekly workers and piece-workers (including outside workers) in the respective class or classes of work at which they are engaged, provided always that journeymen and journeywomen having apprentices under their control shall be allowed in their turn extra work equivalent to the wages of the apprentice during the time the turn system is in operation. The employer shall keep in the workroom a true record of every turn, which shall be open to the inspection of the employees.

(2) *Standing Off Employees in Turn.*—Should any employer during slackness of trade desire to stand off his employees in turn, then the employer on any day during any week shall inform every person whom it is proposed to stand off of any day or days in the following week (other than a Saturday or holiday) upon which his or her services will not be required; but an employee shall not, except under the conditions provided in sub-clause (3) of this clause, be stood off for part of a day without being paid for a whole day.

(3) *Employees Working Shortened Hours.*—If it is desired to work a week of shorter hours in slack times, instead of standing the employees off in turn, the employer may make an arrangement to work his employees for shortened hours, but such arrangement shall be made only where, on the vote of the employees being taken, a majority of the whole of the employees vote in favour of such arrangement.

Where such an arrangement is made, the employees shall be informed on the day ending each week of the shortened hours to be worked in the following week.

Where an arrangement is made in compliance with this provision the employer shall pay each employee for the actual hours worked on each day on the basis of his or her weekly wage.

(4) *Vacation Periods.*—Nothing contained in this sub-clause shall apply in the case of the usual vacation period at Christmas or Easter.

(c) *Classes of Employees.*—For the purpose of this clause (but subject to the provisions of sub-clause (b) hereof), in operating the turn system the various classes of employees shall be taken separately, and "classes of employees" shall mean each class of employee in respect of which a classification of work has been provided under this Determination, but in all cases, male improvers and journeymen, or female improvers and journeywomen doing the same class of work, shall be deemed to be one class of employee.

(d) *Stoppage of Work re Breakdown of Machinery.*—In the event of the work of a factory being stopped by a breakdown of machinery or a stoppage of supply of power, or for any cause for which the employer cannot reasonably be held responsible, all weekly hands who present themselves for work shall be found work for that day, or paid one day's wages in lieu thereof, but when such breakdown or stoppage occurs the employer may give notice to an employee that his or her services will not be required on the following day or days, and the employee shall not be entitled to any further payment in respect of any further days that he or she is out of employment by reason of such breakdown or stoppage.

(e) *Terminating Employment in Relation to a Holiday.*—Where the employer terminates the employment of an employee within one week of a day on which a holiday occurs, the employee shall be paid for such holiday or holidays prescribed by the Determination, provided that such employee has been employed by the employer for a period of at least one week prior to the termination of employment.

(f) *Employees Absenting Themselves.*—No employee shall, without just cause, be absent from his or her place of employment during the proscribed hours whilst there is work ready to be done by such employee, and where weekly wages are fixed the employee to be entitled to the sums so fixed must be available and ready and willing to do the work on the days and during the hours fixed by this Determination.

(11)

## OUTSIDE WORKERS.

(a) No person who is or is deemed to be the occupier of a factory within the meaning of section twenty-three of the *Factories and Shops Act 1928* (No. 3677) shall issue or give out or authorize or permit to be issued or given out any material whatsoever for the purpose of being wholly or partly prepared or manufactured outside a factory as articles of clothing or wearing apparel for trade or sale, except to a person who has been registered with the Chief Inspector of Factories as an outside worker. Provided that no such outside worker shall employ any other person or persons whatsoever in wholly or partly preparing or manufacturing such articles of clothing or wearing apparel save and except members of such worker's own family.

(b) In factories where a task rate is fixed in respect to the same class of work as that given to outside workers, then, in every such case, the rate so fixed shall be the piecework price to be paid to such outside workers. In factories where no such task rate is fixed for the class of work performed by outside workers, then such outside workers shall be paid such piecework price as will enable an outside worker to earn at least 1s. 5d. per hour in the case of a female and 2s. 1d. per hour in the case of a male.

(c) Every outside worker shall be provided, free of charge, with cotton, silk thread and all other sewings and trimmings used in the manufacture of garments.

(d) In the case of an employer delivering or collecting the work of such outside worker, the same shall be done without charge to such outside worker.

(e) Every employer who has work done elsewhere than in his factory or workshop shall keep a record book, which shall contain a correct account written in ink as follows:—

(i) The name and full address of the outside worker.

(ii) The number of articles and description of work given out.

(iii) The price paid for such work.

(iv) The record book shall be signed each week by each outside worker, verifying the accuracy of the amount of wages received.

(f) The record book mentioned in the preceding sub-clause shall be open for inspection at any time by any authorized officer of the Department of Labour.

(12)

## MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS.

(a) *Record of Time Worked and Wages Paid.*—(1) The employer shall provide in each factory, or place where there are fewer than 30 employees, and where work is carried on for him, a time and wages book. Such time and wages book:—

(a) shall be in the English language and shall contain a correct account of the hours worked each day, and the wages received each week, by each employee;

(b) shall be kept correctly entered up in ink; and

(c) shall record clearly the actual date of each day, of each week, and also the date of the day on which the week ends.

(2) The employer shall provide in each factory, or place where there are not fewer than 30 employees, and where work is carried on for him, a time-book, or sheet, or record. Such time-book, or sheet, or record shall be in the English language and shall contain a correct account of the hours worked each day and the wages received each week by each employee. Such time-book, or sheet, or record shall be kept correctly and entered up in ink.

(b) *Chairs to have Backs.*—(1) Where it is necessary for employees to sit at their work, seats shall be provided for the employees by the employer. Such seats shall be reasonably comfortable seats.

(2) A seat provided for any female employee shall have a back to it, unless the work of such employee cannot be conveniently done in such a seat, or unless the employee requests to be allowed to use a seat without a back to it.

(c) *Collecting Logs.*—Where piece-work is in operation, the employer shall make arrangements for collecting the logs, and the employees need not leave their places.

(d) *Rest Period.*—When any spell of duty is for more than four hours, an interval of ten minutes, to be selected by the employer, shall be allowed in the third hour to females and apprentices for refreshment. The interval shall be as part of the time of duty, without deduction of time-work pay. During such rest period, the employees may leave their seats, but not the premises.

(13)

## PIECE-WORK.

(a) Subject to the conditions hereinafter set out, the employer, in conjunction with his employees, may fix his own piece-work prices, provided such prices enable a journeyman or journeywoman of average capacity working under like conditions to earn at least 10 per centum more than the minimum weekly wage in their respective classes. The same piece-work prices shall be paid to all piece-workers doing the same operation in the factory or workshop whether they be improvers, apprentices, or juveniles on piece-work or otherwise.

(b) All piece-workers who are available and ready and willing to work during the ordinary working hours, shall be paid in each week:—In the case of journeymen and journeywomen who at the piece-work prices so fixed are unable to earn the rate for "All others," not less than such rate; and in the case of apprentices or improvers, not less than the amount prescribed by this Determination for an apprentice or improver of like experience.

(c) The piece-work price in respect of all garments or parts of garments or other articles or parts of articles shall be determined in the following manner:—

(i) Where there are fewer than twenty employees involved in the work to be performed the employer, or his representative, in conference with one employee chosen by and from such employees, shall fix the prices.

(ii) Where there are twenty or more employees involved in the work to be performed the employer, or his representative, in conference with two employees so chosen, shall fix the prices.

(d) A copy of all piece-work schedules shall, within 24 hours of their being fixed, be displayed by the employer in a conspicuous place in each and every room of the factory where such piece-work is being performed.

(e) In all factories where piece-work conditions are in operation, the same may be continued until the 17th day of March, 1933, after which time all piece-work prices shall be fixed in accordance with the terms of this Determination.

A. S. HAUSER, Chairman.

W. L. HARRINGTON, Secretary.

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*Factories and Shops Act 1928 (No. 3677).*

## DETERMINATION OF THE ENGINEERS AND BRASSWORKERS (UNSKILLED) BOARD.

**NOTE.**—(a) This Determination on the 27th February, 1933, applied to the whole of the State of Victoria, outside and excepting the Shire of Braybrook.

(b) On the 29th November, 1927, the powers of the Board were extended to enable it to fix the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any unskilled persons employed—

- (1) in the trade of a maker of scientific instruments, fireproof safes, strongroom doors, safe locks (four or more levers), or locks of the same quality;
- (2) in performing any engineering fitting or engineering machining work not already under the jurisdiction of the Board;
- (3) in preparing iron or steel material for reinforcing concrete for building or other purposes.

IN accordance with the provisions of the *Factories and Shops Act 1928 (No. 3677)*, the Special Board appointed to "determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any unskilled persons employed in the process, trade, or business of—

- (a) a brassfounder or brassfinisher, or in the process, trade, or business of a brassfounder or brassfinisher of any electrical apparatus or machinery or parts thereof;
- (b) a mechanical engineer, including—
 

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| (1) a patternmaker,           | (6) a planer,            |
| (2) an iron and brass turner, | (7) a slotter,           |
| (3) a fitter,                 | (8) a borer,             |
| (4) a blacksmith,             | (9) a milling machiner"— |
| (5) a coppersmith,            |                          |

has made the following Determination:—

(1) That on the 27th February, 1933, the last previous Determination of this Board shall be revoked and replaced by this Determination.

(2)

| Apprentices or Improvers.  | Juvenile Workers. |                 |                         |          |                            |          |                            |          |                            |          |                            |          |                            |          |                            |          |  |  |                 |                               |          |                                    |          |                                |          |                                |          |                                |          |                                |          |                                |          |
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(3)

| ADULTS.   | Wages—Day Shift.  |                    |                                    |                                    |  | Hours per week. |
|---|---|--------------------|------------------------------------|------------------------------------|--|-----------------|
|   | Within a radius of 20 miles of G.P.O., Melbourne, Mildura, and Gippsland Districts. | Ballarat District. | Bendigo and Castlemaine Districts. | Geelong and Warrnambool Districts. | Other Parts of Victoria where Determination applies. |                 |
|   | £ s. d.   | £ s. d.            | £ s. d.                            | £ s. d.                            | £ s. d.  |                 |
| Persons working with hammer 14 lb. weight or over—  |   |                    |                                    |                                    |  |                 |
| On repair work .. .. .  | 3 15 5  | 3 18 1             | 3 15 0                             | 3 19 6                             | 3 19 6   | 44              |
| On other work .. .. .   | 3 8 3   | 3 10 11            | 3 7 9                              | 3 12 3                             | 3 12 5   | 44              |
| Persons working on ship or steamer under construction or repair   | 3 14 3  | 3 17 0             | 3 13 10                            | 3 18 4                             | 3 18 4   | 44              |
| Forge assistants, i.e., underhand, hammer driver and crane man, employed on work 10 cwt. or over .. .. .          | 3 9 9   | 3 12 6             | 3 9 4                              | 3 13 10                            | 3 13 10  | 44              |
| Persons assembling new cars from stock parts .. .. .  | 3 10 3  | 3 12 11            | 3 9 9                              | 3 14 3                             | 3 14 3   | 48              |
| Striker for a blacksmith, oliversmith, drophammersmith, or springmaker .. .. .                                    | 3 6 2   | 3 8 11             | 3 5 9                              | 3 10 3                             | 3 10 3   | 44              |
| Assistants, including motor mechanic's assistant .. .. .  | 3 6 2   | 3 8 11             | 3 5 9                              | 3 10 3                             | 3 10 3   | 44              |
| Heaters, and persons engaged cutting off in connexion with the manufacture of bolts and nuts by machinery .. .. . | 3 6 2   | 3 8 11             | 3 5 9                              | 3 10 3                             | 3 10 3   | 44              |
| Persons employed in preparing iron or steel material for reinforcing concrete for building or other purposes:—    |   |                    |                                    |                                    |  |                 |
| On bending and cutting machines .. .. .   | 3 8 0   | 3 10 8             | 3 7 6                              | 3 12 0                             | 3 12 0   | 44              |
| On bending and cutting machines (assistants) .. .. .  | 3 5 3   | 3 8 0              | 3 4 10                             | 3 9 4                              | 3 9 4  | 44              |
| On steel fabric machines .. .. .  | 3 8 0   | 3 10 8             | 3 7 6                              | 3 12 0                             | 3 12 0   | 44              |
| On steel fabric machines (assistants) .. .. .   | 3 3 6   | 3 6 2              | 3 3 0                              | 3 7 6                              | 3 7 6  | 44              |
| Assemblers (leading hand) .. .. .   | 3 8 0   | 3 10 8             | 3 7 6                              | 3 12 0                             | 3 12 0   | 44              |
| Assemblers (assistants) .. .. .   | 3 3 6   | 3 6 2              | 3 3 0                              | 3 7 6                              | 3 7 6  | 44              |
| Labourers .. .. .   | 3 0 9   | 3 3 6              | 3 0 4                              | 3 4 10                             | 3 4 10   | 44              |

Assistant is a person (other than a striker) who works with either a blacksmith, oliversmith, drophammersmith, fitter, turner, borer, slotter, planer, miller, universal grinder, coppersmith, springmaker, or a pipe bender.

Motor mechanic's assistant is a person working with a motor mechanic.

**Leading hands—**

- In charge of not less than three, and not more than ten employees .. .. . 6s. per week extra
- In charge of more than ten employees .. .. . 12s. per week extra

**The following additional rates shall be paid to persons working—**

- (a) where the artificial temperature is 130° F. or over .. .. . 2d. per hour for the first hour, and thereafter 3d. per hour on the same day
- (b) where the artificial temperature is 115° F. or over .. .. . 1d. per hour for the first two hours, and thereafter 2d. per hour on the same day
- (c) where the artificial temperature is below zero, 1d. per hour for the first two hours, and thereafter 2d. per hour on the same day.

**(4) OTHER SHIFTS.**

The following percentages shall be added to the rates fixed for the day shift for persons employed on any of the following shifts:—

- Afternoon or night shift—
- During first month's employment on such shift .. .. . 25 per cent.
- Thereafter .. .. . 5 per cent.
- Shift workers in a continuous process employed on a shift other than a day shift .. .. . 5 per cent.

**(5) SHIFTS.—That—**

- (a) The hour of beginning and the hour of ending each shift shall be between:—

|                            |                   | Where one Shift is Worked.     |                 |
|----------------------------|-------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------|
|                            |                   | Time of Beginning.             | Time of Ending. |
| Monday to Friday .. .. .   | (Day shift)       | 7 a.m.                         | 5 p.m.          |
| Saturday .. .. .           | (Day shift)       | 7 a.m.                         | 12 noon         |
| Monday to Saturday .. .. . | (Day shift)       | Where two Shifts are Worked.   |                 |
| Monday to Saturday .. .. . | (Afternoon shift) | 7 a.m.                         | 3 p.m.          |
|                            |                   | 3 p.m.                         | 11 p.m.         |
| Monday to Saturday .. .. . | (Day shift)       | Where three Shifts are Worked. |                 |
| Monday to Saturday .. .. . | (Afternoon shift) | 7 a.m.                         | 3 p.m.          |
| Monday to Saturday .. .. . | (Night shift)     | 3 p.m.                         | 11 p.m.         |
|                            |                   | 11 p.m.                        | 7 a.m.          |

Any of the above times of beginning and ending may be varied on any job by mutual consent of the employer and the majority of the employees concerned, but in no case shall the total length of any shift be increased without payment for overtime.

(b) The higher rate to be paid for each hour or fraction of an hour worked by any employee other than a shift worker in a continuous process before or after his shift shall be time and a half for the first four hours, and thereafter double time.

(c) The higher rate to be paid for each hour or fraction of an hour worked by a shift worker in a continuous process before or after his shift shall be at the rate of double time.

But this does not apply to cases of arrangement between employees themselves, or to cases due to rotation of shifts or when the relief does not come on duty at the proper time, provided that where not less than eight hours' notice has been given to the employer by the employee that he will be absent from work and the employee whom he should relieve is not relieved, such employee unrelieved shall be paid time and a half for all time on duty after he has finished his ordinary shift.

For all time of duty on Sundays or holidays, even if in due course of rotation of shifts, such an employee shall be paid at the rate of time and a half.



(6) **PAYMENT FOR HOLIDAYS.**—All employees shall be granted the following holidays without deduction of pay:—New Year's Day, Australia Day, Eight Hours Day, Good Friday, Easter Saturday, Easter Monday, Christmas Day, and Boxing Day.

Where an employee's services are terminated a week before the occurrence of a holiday and he is re-employed within two weeks after the holiday, or where an employee's services are terminated two weeks before the occurrence of a holiday and he is re-employed within a week after the holiday, or where an employee's services are terminated three weeks before the occurrence of a holiday, and he is re-employed immediately after the holiday, payment shall be made for such holiday.

(7) **ALLOWANCES.**—All employees working in a place where water is continually dripping from overhead, so that their clothing becomes saturated, or where there is water underfoot, in which the employee has to stand, to a depth exceeding 2 inches, so that the feet of the employee become wet, shall receive 1s. per day in addition to the rates prescribed in clause (3) for each day they are so employed.

All employees called upon to work in a compartment or place not properly ventilated, where access to it is through a manhole or similar opening, the dimensions of which compartment or place are such that, in order to do the work, it is necessary for the employee to work in a stooping, sitting, or otherwise cramped position, and in any case includes, in the case of a ship, the double bottom tanks and bilges, shall be paid 3d. an hour extra whilst so engaged.

All employees working at ships' bilges or in boiling-down works, lead works, sanitary works, and slaughter yards, shall be paid 1d. per hour beyond the ordinary wages payable to them;

(8) **TRAVELLING TIME.**—Persons employed on work away from the workshop shall receive—

(a) The fares necessarily expended in going to and fro.

(b) For time occupied in travelling either during or outside the usual working hours—

Payment at rates fixed in clause (3) up to a maximum of twelve hours, except on Sundays, when time and a half shall be paid.

(9) **SUNDAYS AND HOLIDAYS.**—For all time of duty on Sundays or holidays, employees not in a continuous process shall be paid at double rate, except in the case of employees effecting repairs to or renewals to plant or machinery—which it is necessary to effect on Sundays or holidays to enable work to be safely resumed on Monday or the earliest working day—in which case payment shall be made at the rate of time and a half. This exception does not apply to work installing new machinery. Holidays mentioned in this determination shall include:—New Year's Day, Australia Day (26th January), Good Friday, Easter Saturday, Easter Monday, King's Birthday, Eight Hours Day (21st April), 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.

(10) **DEFINITION.**—"Continuous process," means a process in which the men are usually employed seven days every week for not less than eight hours per day for an unbroken period of not less than six days in the week.

(11) **EXTRA RATES NOT CUMULATIVE.**—Extra rates in this determination prescribed, including rates for dirty work, confined spaces, wet, hot and cold places, are not cumulative so as to exceed the maximum of double the ordinary rates.

(12) **PROVISION FOR TOOLS.**—The employer shall provide for the employee all necessary tools. But the employee shall replace or pay for any tools so provided if lost through his negligence.

W. W. HARRIS, Chairman.

A. G. ALLEN, Secretary.

Melbourne, 10th February, 1933.

