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Factories and Shops Acts.

DETERMINATION OF THE SAUSAGE CASINGS BOARD.

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

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 preparing or cleaning casings for sausages or similar products" has made the following Determination, namely:—

1. That as from the beginning of the first pay period to commence on or after the 8th August, 1949, the last previous Determination of this Board shall be revoked and replaced by this Determination.

2.

WAGES.

<i>Juvenile Workers.</i>					
Per Week of 40 Hours.					
—					
Female Juveniles Employed at Selecting.					
—					
All Other Juvenile Workers.					
—					
<i>s. d.</i>					
16 years of age or under	..	..	..	..	71 9
17 years of age	..	..	..	..	91 9
18 " "	..	..	..	..	111 9
19 " "	..	..	..	..	130 9
20 " "	..	..	..	..	Adult female rate
					165 6

Per Week of 40 Hours.					
—					
<i>Other Employees.</i>					
—					
Weekly Rate.					
—					
War Loading (Non-adjustable).					
—					
Total Weekly Wage.					
—					
<i>s. d.</i>					
Females employed at selecting	..	..	..	..	157 0
Other persons employed at casing factories	..	..	..	..	196 6

Wages per Day.			
—			
Monday to Friday, inclusive.			
—			
Daily Rate.			
—			
War Loading (Non-Adjustable).			
—			
Total Daily Wage.			
—			
<i>s. d.</i>			
Fullers-off and strippers	..	..	40 1½
	39 3½	9½	

PROHIBITION OF EMPLOYMENT.

3. The Board determines that no person under the age of 21 years shall be employed except as a "juvenile worker" as defined by clause 4.

DEFINITION.

4. A juvenile worker shall mean a person under 21 years of age employed only in performing one or more of the following tasks, viz.:—Dry gut work, turning middles and bungs, blowing and tying weasands and bladders, measuring, selecting, salting, working behind scraping machines, splitting beef runners.

5. TIMES OF BEGINNING AND ENDING WORK :—

Men Receiving and Tanking—		Time of Beginning.	Time of Ending.
From Monday to Friday inclusive	.. .. .	8.30 a.m.	Not later than 5.30 p.m.
Persons employed as pullers-off and strippers—			
From Monday to Friday inclusive	.. .. .	7.45 a.m.	4.45 p.m.
All other employees—			
From Monday to Friday inclusive	.. .. .	7.30 a.m.	4.30 p.m.

Provided that the times of beginning work for "All other employees" may be varied by mutual agreement between the employer and the employee.

MEAL TIME.

6. (a) Persons employed as pullers-off and strippers shall be allowed a meal period of not less than one hour between 12 noon and 1.15 p.m.

(b) All other employees shall be allowed a meal period of not less than 45 minutes between 12 noon and 1 p.m.

(c) The meal periods provided for in sub-clauses (a) and (b) hereof shall not be calculated as time worked.

OVERTIME.

7. All time worked outside the times of beginning and ending work each day or within such times in excess of 8 hours per day shall be paid for at the rate of time and a half for the first four hours and double time thereafter.

SPECIAL RATES.

8. Double time shall be paid for all work done on Sundays, Christmas Day, Boxing Day, New Year's Day, Australia Day, Labour Day, Good Friday, Easter Monday, Cup Day, and Butchers' Picnic 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.

HOLIDAYS.

9. (a) All employees shall be entitled to the ten holidays hereinafter mentioned without any deduction from the weekly or daily rate of pay (as the case may be), provided that any such employee has been employed during any portion of the working week, viz.:—Christmas Day, Boxing Day, New Year's Day, Australia Day, Labour Day, Anzac Day, Good Friday, Easter Monday, Cup Day, and Butchers' Picnic Day.

(b) An employee to become entitled to payment for the holidays prescribed in sub-clause (a) hereof must have been in the employ of his present employer within one month immediately preceding such holiday.

TERMS OF ENGAGEMENT.

10. Employment shall be by the week and any employee (other than pullers off and strippers) willing and available to work shall in respect of each week of his employment be paid the full weekly wage fixed by this Determination; provided that such employee not attending for duty shall, except as provided by clause 12 of this Determination, lose his pay for the actual time of such non-attendance.

ANNUAL HOLIDAY.

11. The annual holiday shall be as prescribed by the provisions of the *Factories and Shops (Annual Holidays) Act 1946*, No. 5111 and any amendments which may be made thereto from time to time.

SICK LEAVE.

12. (a) Any employee, provided he has had at least three months' continuous employment with the employer, not attending for duty shall lose his pay for the actual time of such non-attendance, unless he produces or forwards within 24 hours of the commencement of such absence evidence satisfactory to his employer that his non-attendance was due to personal accident arising out of and in the course of his employment or to personal ill-health necessitating such absence.

Provided that an employee shall not be entitled to payment for non-attendance on the ground of personal accident or personal ill-health or both for more than 40 hours of working time in each year.

(b) Notwithstanding the provisions of sub-clause (a) hereof if the full period of sick leave as prescribed above 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 80 hours of working time which shall be the maximum amount of leave to which any employee shall be entitled in any year without deduction of pay.

For the purposes of this sub-clause service prior to 8th June, 1943, shall be disregarded.

TEA MONEY.

13. Employees required to work overtime for more than one and a half hours after the usual time of finishing work on any one day without having been notified on the preceding day that they would be required so to work shall be paid the amount of two (2) shillings in addition to any overtime payment to which they may be entitled.

FIRST AID KIT.

14. A first aid kit shall be available at all times and be under the care of a responsible person who shall attend to all cases requiring attention.

APRONS AND LEGGINGS.

15. Aprons and materials for leggings for employees employed in cleaning sheds and abattoirs shall be provided free of charge by the employer.

TERMINATION OF EMPLOYMENT.

16. Except in the case of pullers-off and strippers one week's notice of termination of employment shall be given by either employer or employee, or in lieu of such notice, one week's wages shall be paid or forfeited, as the case may be. This shall not affect the right of the employer to dismiss any employee without notice for malingering, inefficiency, neglect of duty or misconduct, in which case wages shall be paid up to the time of dismissal only.

PERIODICAL ADJUSTMENT OF WAGES.

17. The wages rates set out in clause 2 are based upon the following basic wage rates, and, pursuant to the provisions of Section 21 of the *Factories and Shops Act 1934*, the Board hereby determines that such rates shall be automatically adjusted as prescribed by clause 18.

Provided that adjustments to the rates for adult daily paid employees and juvenile workers shall be made at the same time as follows:—

- (a) The wages per day payable to adult daily paid employees shall be increased or decreased by an amount of 2½d for every 1s. increase or decrease respectively in the basic wage.
- (b) The wages of juvenile workers shall be adjusted from time to time by increasing or decreasing the said rates in the same proportion as the amount of increase or decrease of the male basic wage bears to the basic wage current immediately prior to the adjustment. Such adjustments shall be calculated to the nearest threepence, half or less than half of threepence to be disregarded.

Basic Wage.

Place.	Needs Basic Wage.	Loading Constant.	Total Basic Wage.	Index Number Set Assigned.
	£ s. d.	s. d.	£ s. d.	
Throughout the State	6 2 0	6 0	6 8 0	Melbourne

ADJUSTMENT OF BASIC WAGE.

18. (a) For the purposes of this Determination, the expression "Commonwealth Statistician's 'all items' 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 November, 1949, the amounts of the basic wage shall be as prescribed in clause 17.

(c) During each future successive period beginning with the first pay period to commence in a November, a February, a May, or an August, the amount of the needs basic wage shall be adjusted by the following method, namely, by multiplying the last published Commonwealth Statistician's "all items" retail price index number by the factor .087 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.

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

J. V. WILLOX, Secretary.

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Factories and Shops Acts.

DETERMINATION OF THE ANIMAL MANURE BOARD.

NOTES.—(a) This Determination applies to the whole of the State of Victoria.

(b) On 25th May, 1914, the powers of the Animal Manure Board were extended to enable it to fix the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any persons employed in the process, trade, or business of the extraction of tallow.

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 persons employed in the process, trade, or business of the manufacture of manure from animal matter," has made the following Determination, namely:—

1. That as from the beginning of the first pay period to commence on or after the 8th August, 1949, the last previous Determination of this Board shall be revoked and replaced by this Determination.

2.

Apprentices or Improvers.				Other Employees.			
WAGES PER WEEK.	Weekly Rate.	* War Loading (Non-adjustable).	Total Weekly Wage.	WAGES PER WEEK.	Weekly Rate.	* War Loading (Non-adjustable).	Total Weekly Wage.
	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>		<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>
Under 16 years of age ..	81 6	1 6	83 0	Carcass skimmers ..	194 0	4 0	198 0
16 years of age and under 17 years of age ..	88 0	1 9	89 9	All others ..	188 0	4 0	192 0
17 years of age and under 19 years of age ..	113 9	2 0	115 9				
19 years of age and under 20 years of age ..	130 9	2 6	133 3	Afternoon shift employees shall receive an additional 10 per cent. per week.			
20 years of age and under 21 years of age ..	145 9	2 9	148 6	Night shift employees shall receive an additional 10 per cent. per week.			
PROPORTION (by any Employer).				Leading hands on afternoon or night shift shall receive an additional 1s. per shift.			
<i>Apprentices.</i>							
One apprentice to every three or fraction of three workers receiving not less than 192s. per week.							
An indenture of apprenticeship has been prescribed by the Board.							
<i>Improvers.</i>							
One improver to every four workers receiving not less than 192s. per week.							

* Note.—The War Loading shall not be taken into account in the calculation of overtime and other penalty rates prescribed by this Determination.

HEAT ALLOWANCE.

3. Any employee required to work in the dry rendering section artificially heated to more than 18 degrees Fahr. above the outside temperature shall be paid a heat allowance of 3d. per hour: Provided that no heat allowance shall be payable if the outside temperature does not exceed 87 degrees Fahr.

Notwithstanding anything herein contained where eight or more melting pots are in operation the allowance of 3d. per hour shall be paid for the whole shift.

CASUAL EMPLOYEE.

4. A "casual employee" shall be paid the ordinary rate with the addition of 12½ per centum. For the purpose of this clause a "casual employee" shall mean a person who works less than three full days in any one week.

HOURS OF WORK.

5. The maximum number of hours to be worked, without payment for overtime, shall be—

(a) Day work—

(i) 40 hours per week;

(ii) Not more than 8 hours per day on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday between the hours of 7 a.m. and 5.30 p.m.,

Provided that in any week an employee works less than 40 hours in 5 days Monday to Friday (inclusive) he shall if required, work on Saturdays at ordinary rates for not more than 4 hours between the hours of 7 a.m. and 12 noon to complete his full week's work of 40 hours.

(b) Shift work—

(i) 40 hours per week or by mutual agreement between any employer and his employees 80 hours per fortnight, with a maximum of 44 hours in any one week;

(ii) Not more than 8 hours per day on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday, and Sunday.

OVERTIME.

6. All time worked in excess of the number of hours prescribed in clause 5 shall be paid for at the rate of time and a half.

HOLIDAYS.

7. All weekly wage employees shall be granted the following holidays without deduction of pay:—New Year's Day, Australia Day, Good Friday, Easter Monday, Labour Day, Anzac Day, Melbourne Cup Day, Christmas Day, Boxing Day, and Butchers' Picnic Day, but if any other day be by Act of Parliament or Proclamation substituted for any of the abovenamed holidays in any place, all employees in that place shall be entitled to such day in lieu of the holiday for which it was substituted.

ANNUAL LEAVE.

8. The annual holiday shall be as prescribed by the provisions of the *Factories and Shops (Annual Holidays) Act 1946*. No. 5111 and any amendments which may be made thereto from time to time.

SICK LEAVE.

9. (a) Any employee, provided he has had at least three months' continuous service with the same employer and whose conditions of employment is on a weekly basis as provided for in clause 10 of this Determination, shall lose his pay for the actual time of such non-attendance unless he produces or forwards within 24 hours of the commencement of such absence evidence satisfactory to his employer that his non-attendance was due to personal accident arising out of and in the course of his employment or to personal ill-health necessitating such absence.

(b) Provided that an employee shall not be entitled to payment for non-attendance on the ground of personal accident or personal ill-health or both for more than six (6) days in each year of employment.

(c) If the full period of sick leave as prescribed above 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 may be entitled in any year without deduction of pay.

For the purposes of this sub-clause service prior to the 3rd June, 1943, shall be disregarded.

TERMS OF ENGAGEMENT.

10. Employment shall be by the week and any employee (other than casual employees as provided for in clause 4) willing and available to work shall in respect of each week of his employment be paid the full weekly wage fixed by this Determination; provided that such employee not attending for duty shall, except as provided by clause 9 of this Determination, lose his pay for the actual time of such non-attendance; provided further that this does not interfere with the right of the employer to dismiss an employee at any time without giving reasons and that such employee shall be paid up to the time of dismissal only.

TEA MONEY.

11. Employees required to work overtime for more than one and a half hours on any one day without having been notified on the preceding day that they would be required so to work shall be paid the amount of two (2) shillings in addition to any overtime payment to which they may be entitled.

HANDLING OF CONDEMNED CARCASSES.

12. The employer shall provide ample quantities of hot water, soap and disinfectant (such as cyllin, izol etc.) for the use of employees required to handle carcasses of animals condemned by meat inspectors as unfit for human consumption because of disease.

KNIVES TO BE SUPPLIED.

13. Knives, which shall remain the property of the employer, shall be supplied under the following conditions to carcass skimmers when necessary for the performance of their duties:—

(1) They shall be returned to the employer on termination of the employment.

(2) If such knives are not returned the employer shall be entitled to deduct their cost from any money owing to the employee.

SPECIAL RATES.

14. Double time shall be paid for all work done on Sundays and holidays specified in clause 7.

PERIODICAL ADJUSTMENT OF WAGES.

15. The wages rates set out in clause 2 are based upon the following basic wage rates, and pursuant to the provisions of section 21 of the *Factories and Shops Act 1934*, the Board hereby determines that such rates shall be automatically adjusted as prescribed by clause 16. Provided that the wages of apprentices and improvers shall be adjusted from time to time by increasing or decreasing the said rates in the same proportion as the amount of increase or decrease of the male basic wage bears to the basic wage current immediately prior to the adjustment. Such adjustments shall be calculated to the nearest threepence, half or less than half of threepence to be disregarded.

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