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*Labour and Industry Act 1953.*

AMENDING DETERMINATION OF THE WHARFS AND JETTIES 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 now has the power to "determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any persons employed in the trade of constructing or demolishing wooden or concrete wharfs, piers, or jetties," has made the following Determination, namely:—

That as from the beginning of the first pay period to commence on or after the 8th November, 1955, clauses 6, 9 and 20 of the Determination published in *Government Gazette* of the 27th June, 1955, shall be amended to read—

FARE ALLOWANCE.

6. In addition to the amounts otherwise prescribed, an employee (other than on a distant job as defined in clause 15) shall be paid an amount of 4s. 6d. per week as a fare allowance.

SPECIAL RATES.

*Confined Spaces.*

9. (a) Working in confined space (as defined), 6d. per hour extra.

*Confined space* means a place the dimensions or nature of which necessitate working in a cramped position or without sufficient ventilation.

*Dirty Work.*

(b) Work which the engineer or inspector in charge of the job shall approve as being of an unusually dirty or offensive nature—4d. per hour extra.

A decision shall be given on the workman's claim within 48 hours of its being asked for (unless the time expires on a non-working day, in which case it shall be given during the next working day), or else the said allowance shall be paid.

(c) An employee spreading or floating metalcote shall be paid 1s. per day or any portion of a day in addition to his ordinary rate.

*Special Rates not Cumulative.*

(d) Where more than one of the disabilities entitling a workman to extra rates exist on the same job the employer shall be bound to pay only one rate, namely, the highest for the disabilities so prevailing.

*Diving.*

(e) An employee when engaged in diving shall receive the sum of £2 3s. 6d. per dive in lieu of his ordinary rate. A dive shall cover all time up to half a day including preparation before and after the dive.

The amount of £2 3s. 6d. is based upon a Basic Wage Group of 242s. to 246s. per week, and shall be adjusted by increasing or decreasing the amount by 9d. for each increase or decrease of 5s. (in the aggregate) of such Basic Wage Group as shown in the schedule hereunder—

Basic Wage Group.								Adjusted Amount.
								£ s. d.
227s. to 231s. (inclusive per week)	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2 1 3
232s. to 236s. (inclusive per week)	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2 2 0
237s. to 241s. (inclusive per week)	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2 2 9
242s. to 246s. (inclusive per week)	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2 3 6
247s. to 251s. (inclusive per week)	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2 4 3
252s. to 256s. (inclusive per week)	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2 5 0
257s. to 261s. (inclusive per week)	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2 5 9

Any extension of this Table must be of the same construction as the table.

## TOOL ALLOWANCE.

20. A wharf carpenter shall be paid a tool allowance of 3s. per week in addition to his ordinary wage.

A. V. BARNES, J.P., Chairman.

J. W. RYAN, Secretary.

Melbourne, 17th November, 1955.