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Labour and Industry Act 1953.

DETERMINATION OF A WAGES BOARD ADJUSTED PURSUANT TO SECTION 33 OF THE LABOUR AND INDUSTRY ACT 1953.

I, Henry Norman Jones, Secretary for Labour and Industry, in pursuance of the powers conferred by the Labour and Industry Act, hereby make and issue the following adjusted Determination of the Wages Board referred to hereunder showing adjusted rates and prices to operate from the beginning of the first pay period to commence in November, 1955.

Dated at Melbourne, this
20th day of December, 1955.

H. N. JONES,
Secretary for Labour and Industry.

WATCH CASES BOARD.

Clauses 2 and 3 of the Determination published in *Government Gazette* No. 33 of the 4th February, 1955, shall be replaced by the following clauses:—

2.

WAGES PER WEEK OF 40 HOURS.

(a) *Apprentices.*

	Percentage of Basic Wage.	Total Wage Payable—	
		Within 20 Miles G.P.O., Melbourne; 10 Miles of G.P.O., Geelong; at Warrnambool; and within Mildura and Gippsland Districts.	Other Parts of Victoria.
	Per Week.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Four and five-year terms—			
1st year	32	3 18 6	3 18 0
2nd year	43	5 6 0	5 4 6
3rd year	54	6 13 0	6 11 0
4th year	83	10 4 0	10 1 6
5th year	100 plus 6s.	12 12 0	12 9 0
Four-year terms—Apprentice commencing after the age of 17 years—			
1st year	34	4 3 6	4 2 6
2nd year	54	6 13 0	6 11 0
3rd year	83	10 4 0	10 1 6
4th year	100 plus 6s.	12 12 0	12 9 0

An employee who is under 21 years of age on the expiration of his apprenticeship and thereafter works as a minor in the occupation to which he has been apprenticed shall be paid at not less than the adult rate prescribed for that classification.

PROPORTION (IN ANY PLACE).

One apprentice to every one male worker receiving not less than the minimum wage.
An indenture of apprenticeship has been prescribed by the Board.

(b) Adult Females, Junior Females, and Junior Males.

	*Percentage of Basic Wage.	Margin.	Total Wage Payable—	
			Within 20 Miles of G.P.O., Melbourne; 10 Miles of G.P.O., Geelong; and Warrnambool; and within Mildura and Gippsland Districts.	Other Parts of Victoria.
	Per Week.	Per Week.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
<i>I.—Adult Females.</i>				
Under one month's experience	75	..	9 4 6	9 2 0
All others	75	16 0	10 0 6	9 18 0
When employed at work defined in clause 18 (a) as that of a "First Class Watch Case Tradesman" the margin of 16s. and the appropriate wages rates shall be increased by 10s.				
<i>II.—Junior Females.</i>				
		Additional Amount.		
17 years of age and under	52	3 6	4 19 6	4 18 0
18 years of age	62	4 0	5 18 6	5 17 0
19 years of age	72	4 6	6 17 6	6 15 6
20 years of age	82	5 0	7 16 6	7 14 0
<i>III.—Junior Males.</i>				
Under 16 years of age	24	2 0	3 1 0	3 0 6
16 years of age	34	3 0	4 6 6	4 5 6
17 years of age	46	4 0	5 17 0	5 16 0
18 years of age	58	5 0	7 7 6	7 6 0
19 years of age	73	6 0	9 5 6	9 3 6
20 years of age	88	7 0	11 3 6	11 1 0

* The percentages for junior females relate to the female basic wage, (i.e. 75 per cent of the male basic wage) but in all other cases relate to the male basic wage.

The rates shall be calculated to the nearest 6d., any broken part of 6d. in the result not exceeding 3d. to be disregarded.

3. OTHER EMPLOYEES.

Wages per Week of 40 Hours.

	Within a Radius of 50 Miles of G.P.O., Melbourne.	All Other Parts of Victoria.
	Weekly Wage.	Weekly Wage.
	s. d.	s. d.
Adult males—		
First class watch case tradesman	286 0	283 0
Second class watch case tradesman	268 0	265 0
Loader and/or unloader of annealing furnace	274 0	271 0

LEADING HANDS.

Leading hands in charge of not less than three and not more than ten employees, 15s. per week extra; more than ten and not more than twenty employees, 30s. per week extra; more than twenty employees, 45s. per week extra.

Clauses, other than clauses 2 and 3, of the said Determination shall remain in force.