1973. No. 72 **[NC]**

WAGES COUNCILS

Wages Regulation (Readymade and Wholesale Bespoke Tailoring)

ORDER, DATED 15TH MARCH 1973, MADE BY THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES UNDER THE WAGES COUNCIL ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND) 1945.

The Ministry of Health and Social Services on behalf of the Secretary of State in exercise of the powers conferred on it by Section 10 of the Wages Councils Act (Northern Ireland) 1945(**a**), as modified by Article 14 of the Counter Inflation (Northern Ireland) Order 1972(**b**), hereby makes the following Order to give effect to wages regulation proposals received from the Readymade and Wholesale Bespoke Tailoring Wages Council (Northern Ireland):—

Citation

1. This Order may be cited as the Readymade and Wholesale Bespoke Tailoring Wages Regulation Order (Northern Ireland) 1973.

Commencement

2. The wages regulation proposals set out in the Schedule shall come into operation on the specified date and on the day immediately preceding that date the Readymade and Wholesale Bespoke Tailoring Wages Regulation Order (Northern Ireland) 1970(**c**) and the Readymade and Wholesale Bespoke Tailoring Wages Regulation (Amendment) Order (Northern Ireland) 1971(**d**) shall cease to have effect.

3. In this Order the expression "the specified date" means the 1st day of April 1973, provided that where, as respects any worker who is paid wages at intervals not exceeding seven days, that date does not correspond with the beginning of the period for which the wages are paid, the expression "the specified date" means, as respects that worker, the beginning of the next such period following that date.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Ministry of Health and Social Services for Northern Ireland this 15th day of March 1973.

(L.S.)

J. H. Scott,
Assistant Secretary.

(**a**) 1945. c. 21 (NI.).
(**b**) S.I. 1972, No. 1913.
(**c**) S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1970, No. 247.
(**d**) S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1971, No. 315.

SCHEDULE

The following minimum remuneration shall be substituted for the statuory minimum remuneration fixed by the Readymade and Wholesale Bespoke Tailoring Wages Regulation Order (Northern Ireland) 1970 (Order N.I.T.R.W. (68)) as amended by the Readymade and Wholesale Bespoke Tailoring Wages Regulation (Amendment) Order (Northern Ireland) 1971 (Order N.I.T.R.W. (70)).

STATUTORY MINIMUM REMUNERATION

GENERAL MINIMUM TIME RATES FOR MALE WORKERS

Column 1	Column 2	*Column 3*
Class of Worker	Qualifying period of employment and age of Worker	
Paragraph 1. MALE WORKERS of the following classes:—		*Per hour* *p*
(a) MEASURE CUTTER— that is to say, a person who is employed in any process of measure cutting and is capable of taking a complete set of measures and of cutting any garment for a male person from model patterns and has sufficient technical knowledge to draft men's trousers and alter the balance and distribution of widths, lengths, etc., for any garment for a male person (excluding alteration to stock patterns).	Not less than THREE years' employment after the age of 19 years as a measure cutter (as defined in paragraph 1(a)).	*42·88*
(b) STOCK CUTTER— that is to say, a person employed in (i) marking-in or marking-up cloth or linings or other materials; (ii) laying-up, hooking-up, or folding cloth or linings or other materials; (iii) cutting cloth or linings or other materials; and (iv) dividing (the process ordinarily carried on by cutters or their assistants of dividing, parting or separating the parts of garments after being cut, and of assembling them into suitable bundles for making up).	Not less than THREE years' employment after the age of 19 years on the processes specified in paragraph 1(b).	*42·04*

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Class of Worker	Qualifying period of employment and age of Worker	
(c) KNIFE CUTTER or KNIFEMAN— that is to say, a person wholly or mainly employed on hand, electric or hand knife processes.	Not less than THREE years' employment after the age of 19 years as a knife cutter or knifeman.	*per hour* *p* 42·04
(d) FITTER-UP— that is to say, a person employed on fitting-up (that is, a process between that of cutting and that of sewing, basting, or machining, which consists of preparing or fitting accurately the various parts of the garment before being basted, sewn or machined, such work of preparing or fitting being always done by shears or knives or other cutting appliances, sewing, basting, or machining forming no part or process of fitting-up).	Not less than THREE years' employment after the age of 19 years as a fitter-up or tailor.	42·04
(e) TAILOR— that is to say, a person employed in sewing by hand in the process of making a garment or part of a garment.	Not less than THREE years' employment after the age of 19 years as a tailor.	42·04
(f) PRESSER— that is to say, a person employed in pressing-off by hand or by machine.	Not less than THREE years' employment after the age of 19 years as a presser or under-presser.	42·04
(g) MACHINIST— that is to say, a person employed as a machinist otherwise than as a plain machinist.	Not less than THREE years' employment after the age of 19 years as a machinist or plain machinist.	42·04
(h) PASSER— that is to say, a person employed in examining garments either in the process of being made-up or upon their completion.	Not less than THREE years' employment after the age of 19 years as a passer or tailor.	42·04
Paragraph 2. MALE WORKERS of the following classes:— (a) UNDER-PRESSER— that is to say, a person employed in pressing processes other than pressing-off.	Not less than THREE years' employment after the age of 19 years as an under-presser or presser.	40·38

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		per hour *p*
(b) PLAIN MACHINIST— that is to say, a person employed in the process of making-up plain sleeves, facings, linings, inside pockets, quilting or padding.	Not less than THREE years' employment after the age of 19 years as a plain machinist or machinist.	*40·38*
(c) WAREHOUSEMAN— that is to say, a person employed in the process of upon one or more of the following operations, viz:— assembling, keeping, storing and distributing stock, but excluding such operations included in the definition of packer or porter.	(i) 24 years of age or over and not less than TWO years' experience as a warehouseman after the age of 22 years.	*41·21*
	(ii) 23 years of age or over and not less than ONE years' experience as a warehouseman after the age of 22 years.	*40·38*
	(iii) 22 years of age or over with LESS than one year's experience as a warehouseman.	*39·75*
(d) PACKER— that is to say, a person employed wholly or mainly upon the operations of packing goods or materials, but excluding such operations included in the definition of porter or warehouseman.	(i) 24 years of age or over and not less than TWO years' experience as a packer after the age of 22 years.	*40·79*
	(ii) 23 years of age or over and not less than ONE year's experience as a packer after the age of 22 years.	*40·17*
	(iii) 22 years of age or over with LESS than one year's experience as a packer.	*39·75*
(e) PORTER— that is to say, a person employed wholly or mainly upon one or more of the following operations, viz:— unpacking, moving, loading or unloading of goods or materials or in cleaning or sweeping premises, but excluding such operations included in the definition of packer or warehouseman.	*21* years of age or over	*39·75*

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		Per hour *p*
Paragraph 3. MALE WORKERS other than those for whom minimum rates are specified in paragraphs 1 and 2.	(i) Workers of *21* years of age or over	*39·54*
	(ii) Workers aged—	
	20 and under 21 years	*36·28*
	19 „ „ 20 „	*34·02*
	18 „ „ 19 „	*30·77*
	17 „ „ 18 „	*26·50*
	16 „ „ 17 „	*23·76*
	Under 16 years	*20·51*

LATE ENTRANTS

Paragraph 4.

Notwithstanding the provisions of paragraph 3, a male worker under 22 years of age who commences employment in the trade at or over the age of 19 years may be employed for a period of twelve months as follows:—

(a) for the first six months of employment, at a general minimum time rate of *32·63p per hour.*

(b) for the second six months of employment, at a general minimum time rate of *34·67p per hour.*

On the expiration of twelve months' employment in the trade such worker is entitled to the minimum rate appropriate to a worker of his age.

General Minimum Time Rates for Female Workers	*Per hour*
	p
Paragraph 5. FEMALE WORKERS other than LEARNERS (as defined in paragraph 7).	
(a) FEMALE WORKERS (including OUT-WORKERS) other than workers of the class specified in sub-paragraph (b) ..	*33·29*
The expression "Out-worker" means a worker who works in her own home or in any other place not under the control or management of the employer.	
(b) CONVEYOR BELT MACHINISTS, that is to say, female workers employed in machining any work conveyed to or from the worker on a mechanical conveyor belt	*33·92*