FEMALE WORKERS

Paragraph 2. Workers of:—	During the first six months of employment in the trade	After the first six months of employment in the trade
	Per hour	Per hour
	s. d.	s. d.
20 years of age and over ...	1 8¾	1 9¼
19 and under 20 years of age ...	1 7¼	1 7¾
18 „ 19 „ ...	1 4¾	1 5¼
17 „ 18 „ ...	1 2½	1 3
16 „ 17 „ ...	1 1	1 1½
15 „ 16 „ ...	0 11¼	0 11¾
under 15 years of age ...	0 10½	0 11

PIECE WORK BASIS TIME RATE

Paragraph 3.	Per hour
	s. d.
FEMALE WORKERS	1 9¾"

The Linen and Cotton Embroidery Wages Council (Northern Ireland) Wages Regulation Order, 1955

1955. No. 34 [NC]

Whereas the Ministry of Labour and National Insurance (hereinafter in this Order referred to as "the Ministry") has received from the Linen and Cotton Embroidery Wages Council (Northern Ireland) the wages regulation proposals set out in the Schedule hereto;

Now, therefore, the Ministry by virtue of the powers conferred on it by Section 10 of the Wages Councils Act (Northern Ireland), 1945(a), and of all other powers enabling it in that behalf, hereby makes the following Order:—

1. The wages regulation proposals set out in the Schedule hereto shall have effect on and from the specified date, and as from the date immediately preceding the specified date the Linen and Cotton Embroidery Wages Council (Northern Ireland) Wages Regulation Order, 1946(b), shall cease to have effect.

2. In this Order the expression "the specified date" means the 2nd day of March, 1955, 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.

3. This Order may be cited as the Linen and Cotton Embroidery Wages Council (Northern Ireland) Wages Regulation Order, 1955.

(a) 1945, Ch. 21. (b) S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1946, No. 211.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Ministry of Labour and National Insurance for Northern Ireland this seventeenth day of February, nineteen hundred and fifty-five in the presence of

(L.S.)

A. E. Goodbody,
Assistant Secretary to the Ministry of Labour and National Insurance for Northern Ireland.

SCHEDULE

The following minimum remuneration shall be substituted for the statutory minimum remuneration fixed by the Linen and Cotton Embroidery Wages Council (Northern Ireland) Wages Regulation Order, 1946 (Order N.I.E. (28)).

STATUTORY MINIMUM REMUNERATION

GENERAL MINIMUM TIME RATE AND PIECE WORK BASIS TIME RATE

Paragraph 1.	General Minimum Time Rate Per hour s. d.	Piece Work Basis Time Rate Per hour s. d.
FEMALE WORKERS	*1 7*	*1 7*

IN-WORKERS' AND OUT-WORKERS' GENERAL MINIMUM PIECE RATES

ALL THE PIECE RATES SET OUT IN PARAGRAPHS 2 TO 10, WITH THE EXCEPTION OF THE "EXTRAS" OR "ADDITIONS" THERETO, ARE SUBJECT TO AN INCREASE OF *125* PER CENT. OR *25/-* IN THE £.

The piece rates set out hereunder are on the basis that all sewings are supplied by the employer free of charge to the worker.

Paragraph 2. EMBROIDERY (that is, Embroidery Designs composed of one or more of the objects specified in this paragraph)—

(A) HANDKERCHIEFS:

(1) Where the cotton used is mercerised of a count finer than 40/4 or is ordinary cotton of 4, 5 or 6 ply:—

(*a*) Solid Work (Plain):

Dots,	$\frac{1}{16}$" joined or $\frac{1}{16}$" plain leaves forming star or flower	71 a 1d.
	All other $\frac{1}{16}$" dots or leaves	43 a 1d.
	$\frac{1}{8}$" jointed or $\frac{1}{8}$" plain leaves forming star or flower	43 a 1d.
	All other $\frac{1}{8}$" dots or leaves	29 a 1d.
Leaves,	$\frac{1}{4}$" in length	18 a 1d.
	$\frac{3}{8}$" „	14 a 1d.
	$\frac{1}{2}$" „	11 a 1d.

Leaves which are corded and seeded instead of solid should be paid for at double the rates for plain leaves.

Split leaves count as two leaves.

(*b*) French Leaves—Solid or Half-Seeded:

Leaves,	$\frac{1}{8}$" in length	11 a 1d.
	$\frac{1}{4}$" „	7 a 1d.
	$\frac{3}{8}$" „	5 a 1d.
	$\frac{1}{2}$" „	4 a 1d.

If corded and seeded to be paid for at double the above rates.

(*c*) Cording or Whipping: ... ... 17 inches a 1d.

(*d*) Scalloping: ... ... 5 inches a 1d.
In the case of scalloping the measurement should be taken from point to point where the scallops are not more than $\frac{1}{4}$" deep and along the edge or circumference of the scallops in all other cases.

(*e*) Cut Work:
Holes, $\frac{1}{16}$" diameter or smaller, which are joined or form part of an object ... ... 34 a 1d.
$\frac{1}{16}$" diameter or smaller, which are not joined ... ... 17 a 1d.
$\frac{1}{8}$" diameter ... ... 14 a 1d.
Leaves, $\frac{1}{4}$" long ... ... 9 a 1d.

(*f*) Satining or Welting: ... ... 6 inches a 1d.

The general minimum piece rates specified in (*a*) *to* (*f*) do not apply to sample work or to special work of exceptionally fine quality.

In cases where the quantity of embroidery to be done on each handkerchief would not exceed 2½d. as calculated in accordance with the provisions of (*a*) to (*f*), the general minimum piece rates payable are six-sevenths of the minimum rates otherwise payable.

In patterns where the quantity of embroidery to be done on each handkerchief would amount to 5d. or over as calculated in accordance with the provisions of (*a*) to (*f*), the general minimum piece rates otherwise payable, as set out above, should be increased by thirty per cent.

(2) Where the cotton used is mercerised of a count not finer than 40/4 but finer than 30/4 or is ordinary cotton of 7 or 8 ply:—

(*a*) Solid Work (Plain):
Dots, $\frac{1}{16}$" joined or $\frac{1}{16}$" plain leaves joined forming star or flower ... ... 89 a 1d.
All other $\frac{1}{16}$" dots or leaves ... ... 54 a 1d.
$\frac{1}{8}$" joined or $\frac{1}{8}$" plain leaves forming star or flower ... ... 54 a 1d.
All other $\frac{1}{8}$" dots or leaves ... ... 36 a 1d.
Leaves, $\frac{1}{4}$" in length ... ... 21 a 1d.
$\frac{3}{8}$" „ ... ... 18 a 1d.
$\frac{1}{2}$" „ ... ... 14 a 1d.
Leaves which are corded and seeded instead of solid should be paid at double the rates for plain leaves.
Split leaves count as two leaves.

(*b*) French Leaves—Solid or Half-Seeded:
Leaves, $\frac{1}{8}$" in length ... ... 14 a 1d.
$\frac{1}{4}$" „ ... ... 9 a 1d.
$\frac{3}{8}$" „ ... ... 7 a 1d.
$\frac{1}{2}$" „ ... ... 5 a 1d.
If corded and seeded to be paid for at double the above rates.

(*c*) Cording or Whipping: ... ... 21 inches a 1d.

(*d*) Satining or Welting: ... ... 7 inches a 1d.
Objects not specified in this sub-paragraph should be paid for at the rates set out in sub-paragraph (A) (1) irrespective of the count or ply of the cotton used.

(3) Where the cotton used is mercerised of a count not finer than 30/4 or is ordinary cotton of 10 ply:—

(*a*) Solid Work (Plain):
Dots, $\frac{1}{16}$" joined or $\frac{1}{16}$" plain leaves forming star or flower ... ... 114 a 1d.
All other $\frac{1}{16}$" dots or leaves ... ... 69 a 1d.
$\frac{1}{8}$" joined or $\frac{1}{8}$" plain leaves forming star or flower ... ... 69 a 1d.
All other $\frac{1}{8}$" dots or leaves ... ... 46 a 1d.
Leaves, $\frac{1}{4}$" in length ... ... 29 a 1d.
$\frac{3}{8}$" „ ... ... 23 a 1d.
$\frac{1}{2}$" „ ... ... 17 a 1d.

(*b*) Cording or Whipping: ... ... 26 inches a 1d.

(*c*) Satining or Welting: ... ... 10 inches a 1d.
Objects not specified in this sub-paragraph should be paid for at the rates set out in sub-paragraph (A) (1) or (A) (2) as the case may be (whichever is the less) irrespective of the count or ply of the cotton used.

The general minimum piece rates set out in sub-paragraphs (A) (2) and (A) (3) apply only in cases where written particulars are furnished to the workers showing the count or ply of the cotton to be used. In all other cases the general minimum piece rates set out in sub-paragraph (A) (1) apply irrespective of the count or ply of the cotton used.

(B) VOILES, MUSLINS AND UNDERCLOTHING:

(1) Where the cotton used is mercerised of a count finer than 30/4 or is ordinary cotton of less than 10 ply.

(*a*) Solid Work:

Dots,	$\frac{1}{16}$" joined or $\frac{1}{16}$" plain leaves forming star or flower	71 a 1d.
	All other $\frac{1}{16}$" dots or leaves	43 a 1d.
	$\frac{1}{8}$" joined or $\frac{1}{8}$" plain leaves forming star or flower	43 a 1d.
	All other $\frac{1}{8}$" dots or leaves	34 a 1d.
Leaves,	$\frac{1}{4}$" in length	21 a 1d.
	$\frac{3}{8}$" „	17 a 1d.
	$\frac{1}{2}$" „	13 a 1d.
	$\frac{3}{4}$" „	9 a 1d.

Leaves which are corded and seeded instead of solid should be paid for at double the rates for plain leaves.
Split leaves count as two leaves.

(*b*) French Leaves—Solid or Half-Seeded:

Leaves,	$\frac{1}{4}$" in length	9 a 1d.
	$\frac{3}{8}$" „	6 a 1d.
	$\frac{1}{2}$" „	5 a 1d.
	$\frac{3}{4}$" „	4 a 1d.
	1" „	3 a 1d.

If corded and seeded to be paid for at double the above rates.

(*c*) Cording or Whipping: ... ... 21 inches a 1d.

(*d*) Scalloping:

Plain	$3\frac{1}{2}$ inches a 1d.
French	7 inches a 1d.

In the case of scalloping the measurement should be taken from point to point where the scallops are not more than $\frac{1}{4}$" deep and along the edge or circumference of the scallops in all other cases.

(*e*) Cut Work:

Holes,	$\frac{1}{16}$" joined	34 a 1d.
	$\frac{1}{16}$" separate	23 a 1d.
	$\frac{1}{8}$" joined	23 a 1d.
	$\frac{1}{8}$" separate	17 a 1d.
Cut Leaves,	$\frac{1}{4}$" in length	13 a 1d.
	$\frac{3}{8}$" „	12 a 1d.
	$\frac{1}{2}$" „	9 a 1d.
	$\frac{3}{4}$" „	7 a 1d.
	1" „	6 a 1d.

(*f*) Satining or Welting: ... ... 7 inches a 1d.

(*g*) Seeding Circles, $\frac{1}{2}$" diameter:

Corded	$3\frac{1}{2}$ circles a 1d.
Not corded	4 circles a 1d.

(2) Where the cotton used is mercerised of a count not finer than 30/4 or is ordinary cotton of 10 ply.

(*a*) Solid Work:

Dots,	$\frac{1}{8}$″ joined or $\frac{1}{8}$″ plain leaves forming star or flower	54 a 1d.
	All other $\frac{1}{8}$″ dots or leaves	40 a 1d.
	$\frac{1}{4}$″ separate	25 a 1d.
	$\frac{3}{8}$″ „	18 a 1d.
Leaves,	$\frac{1}{4}$″ in length	29 a 1d.
	$\frac{3}{8}$″ „	21 a 1d.
	$\frac{1}{2}$″ „	14 a 1d.
	$\frac{3}{4}$″ „	11 a 1d.
	1″ „	9 a 1d.
	$1\frac{1}{4}$″ „	6 a 1d.
	$1\frac{1}{2}$″ „	4 a 1d.

Leaves which are corded and seeded instead of solid should be paid for at double the rates for plain leaves.

Split leaves count as two leaves.

(*b*) Cording or Whipping: ... ... 26 inches a 1d.

(*c*) Satining or Welting: ... ... 10 inches a 1d.

Objects not specified in this sub-paragraph should be paid for at the rates set out in sub-paragraph (B) (1) irrespective of the count or ply of the cotton used.

The general minimum piece rates set out in sub-paragraph (B) (2) apply only in cases where written particulars are furnished to the worker showing the count or ply of the cotton to be used. In all other cases the general minimum piece rates set out in sub-paragraph (B) (1) apply irrespective of the count or ply of the cotton used.

(C) Household Linens (Linens, Cottons and Unions):

(*a*) Solid Work:

Dots or Leaves,	$\frac{1}{16}$″ joined	69 objects a 1d.
	$\frac{1}{16}$″ not joined	52 objects a 1d.
	$\frac{1}{8}$″ joined	52 objects a 1d.
	$\frac{1}{8}$″ not joined	34 objects a 1d.
Leaves,	$\frac{1}{4}$″ and under $\frac{3}{8}$″	25 objects a 1d.
	$\frac{3}{8}$″ to $\frac{1}{2}$″	17 objects a 1d.
	$\frac{3}{4}$″	13 objects a 1d.
	1″	9 objects a 1d.
	$1\frac{1}{4}$″	6 objects a 1d.
	$1\frac{1}{2}$″	5 objects a 1d.

Leaves which are corded and seeded instead of solid should be paid for at double the rates for plain leaves.

Split leaves count as two leaves.

(*b*) French Leaves:

$\frac{1}{4}$″ and under $\frac{3}{8}$″	9 objects a 1d.
$\frac{3}{8}$″ to $\frac{1}{2}$″	6 objects a 1d.
$\frac{3}{4}$″	5 objects a 1d.
1″	3 objects a 1d.

Leaves which are corded and seeded should be paid for at double the rates set out above.

(*c*) Cording or Whipping: ... ... 26 inches a 1d.

(*d*) Scalloping:

Plain	$8\frac{1}{2}$ inches a 1d.
French	7 inches a 1d.

In the case of scalloping the measurement should be taken from point to point where the scallops are not more than $\frac{1}{4}$″ deep and along the edge or circumference of the scallops in all other cases.

(*e*) Cut Work:

Holes,	$\frac{1}{16}$″ joined	34 a 1d.
	$\frac{1}{16}$″ not joined	25 a 1d.
	$\frac{1}{8}$″ joined	25 a 1d.
	$\frac{1}{8}$″ not joined	17 a 1d.
Cut Leaves,	$\frac{1}{4}$″	13 a 1d.
	$\frac{3}{8}$″ to $\frac{1}{2}$″	9 a 1d.
	$\frac{3}{4}$″	6 a 1d.