BUT EXCLUDING:—
(1) the making of articles which are knitted or are made from knitted fabrics;
(2) the making of handkerchiefs, mufflers, gloves, socks, stockings, spats, gaiters, bonnets, hats or caps (other than chefs' caps and hospital ward caps);
(3) the making of boys' washing suits;
(4) the making of washable clothing to be worn by children without distinction of sex;
(5) the making of any articles the making of which is included in the Trade Boards (Tailoring) Order, 1919 (**a**).

The Sugar Confectionery and Food Preserving Wages Council (Northern Ireland) Wages Regulation Order, 1954

1954. No. 192

Whereas the Ministry of Labour and National Insurance (hereinafter in this Order referred to as "the Ministry") has received from the Sugar Confectionery and Food Preserving 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 (**b**), 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 as from the specified date, and as from that date the Sugar Confectionery and Food Preserving Wages Council (Northern Ireland) Wages Regulation Order, 1953 (**c**), shall cease to have effect.

2.—(1) In this Order the expression "the specified date" means the 10th day of January, 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.

(2) The Interpretation Act, 1889 (**d**) applies to the interpretation of this Order as it applies to the interpretation of an Act of the Parliament of Northern Ireland.

3. This Order may be cited as the Sugar Confectionery and Food Preserving Wages Council (Northern Ireland) Wages Regulation Order, 1954.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Ministry of Labour and National Insurance for Northern Ireland this twenty-third day of December, nineteen hundred and fifty-four in the presence of

(L.S.) *A. E. Goodbody,*
Assistant Secretary to the Ministry of Labour and National Insurance for Northern Ireland.

(**a**) S.R. & O. 1919, No. 1201.
(**b**) 1945, Ch. 21.
(**c**) S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1953, No. 166.
(**d**) 52 & 53 Vict., Ch. 63.

SCHEDULE

The following minimum remuneration shall be substituted for the statutory minimum remuneration fixed by the Sugar Confectionery and Food Preserving Wages Council (Northern Ireland) Wages Regulation Order, 1953 (Order N.I.F. (45)).

STATUTORY MINIMUM REMUNERATION

GENERAL MINIMUM TIME RATES

Male Workers

Paragraph 1.

	Per hour s.	d.
Workers of 21 years of age or over	2	8½
„ 20 and under 21 years of age	2	2½
„ 19 „ „ 20 „ „ „	1	11½
„ 18 „ „ 19 „ „ „	1	8½
„ 17 „ „ 18 „ „ „	1	5
„ 16 „ „ 17 „ „ „	1	1¼
„ 15 „ „ 16 „ „ „	0	11½
„ under 15 years of age	0	10

Pargraph 2.

Notwithstanding anything in paragraph 1 of this Schedule the general minimum time rates for workers under 21 years of age shall be payable to such workers only if they are employed under conditions which, in the circumstances of the case, offer a reasonable prospect of advancement to the general minimum time rate of *2s. 8½d.* per hour. Otherwise the general minimum time rate shall be *2s. 8½d.* per hour, irrespective of age.

Female Workers

Paragraph 3.

	Per hour s.	d.
Workers of 18 years of age or over	1	10¼
„ 17 and under 18 years of age	1	5¼
„ 16 „ „ 17 „ „ „	1	1¼
„ 15 „ „ 16 „ „ „	0	11¼
„ under 15 years of age	0	10

Paragraph 4.

Notwithstanding anything in paragraph 3 of this Schedule the general minimum time rates for workers under 18 years of age shall be payable to such workers only if they are employed under conditions which, in the circumstances of the case, offer a reasonable prospect of advancement to the general minimum time rate of *1s. 10¼d.* per hour. Otherwise the general minimum time rate shall be *1s. 10¼d.* per hour, irrespective of age.

PIECE WORK BASIS TIME RATES

Paragraph 5.

	Per hour s.	d.
Male Workers	2	10½

Paragraph 6.

Female Workers	1	11¼

SHIFT WORKERS

Paragraph 7.

Notwithstanding the provisions of paragraphs 1 to 6 of this Schedule workers employed on a shift system shall be entitled, in addition to the statutory minimum remuneration otherwise applicable—

(*a*) in the case of a worker employed on a 2-shift system (alternating shift) to 7s. 4d. per week of 45 hours,

(*b*) in the case of a worker employed on a 3-shift system (rotary shift)—

(i) when engaged on a night shift, to 12s. 0d. per week of 45 hours;

(ii) when engaged on a morning or an afternoon shift, to 8s. 0d. per week of 45 hours.

"Shift system" means a system of working which involves successive turns of duty for different groups of workers in the establishment in which they are employed.

"Night shift" means a turn of duty commencing after 8 p.m. on any day.