(*g*) warehousing, packing and other similar operations carried on in shops mainly engaged in the retail distribution of articles of any description that are not made on the premises;

AND EXCLUDING ALSO—

Any processes or operations included in the Appendix to the Trade Boards (Shirtmaking) Order, 1920 (**a**).

CLASSES OF WORKERS FOR WHOM NO STATUTORY MINIMUM REMUNERATION HAS BEEN FIXED

Paragraph 28.

Notwithstanding anything contained in this Schedule, the statutory minimum remuneration aforesaid SHALL NOT APPLY to workers employed as clerks, salesmen, saleswomen, travellers, engineers, mechanics, enginemen, firemen, stokers, carpenters, watchmen, carmen, charwomen, time-keepers and outside messengers.

The Dressmaking and Women's Light Clothing Wages Council (Northern Ireland) Wages Regulation (No. 2) Order, 1954

1954. No. 125

Whereas the Ministry of Labour and National Insurance (hereinafter in this Order referred to as "the Ministry") has received from the Dressmaking and Women's Light Clothing 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 Dressmaking and Women's Light Clothing Wages Council (Northern Ireland) Wages Regulation (No. 2) Order, 1953 (**c**), shall cease to have effect.

2.—(1) In this Order the expression "the specified date" means the 26th day of July, 1954, 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 Dressmaking and Women's Light Clothing Wages Council (Northern Ireland) Wages Regulation (No. 2) Order, 1954.

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

(L.S.)

R. W. Steele,
Assistant Secretary to the Ministry of Labour and National Insurance for Northern Ireland.

(**a**) S.R. & O. 1920, No. 711.
(**b**) 9 & 10 Geo. 6, Ch. 21.
(**c**) S.R. & O. 1953, No. 82.
(**d**) 52 & 53 Vict. Ch. 63.

SCHEDULE

The following minimum remuneration shall be substituted for the statutory minimum remuneration fixed by the Dressmaking and Women's Light Clothing Wages Council (Northern Ireland) Wages Regulation (No. 2) Order, 1953 (Order N.I.W.D. (71)).

STATUTORY MINIMUM REMUNERATION

GENERAL MINIMUM TIME RATES

	Area A	Area B	Area C
	The respective areas are defined in paragraph 19.		
Paragraph 1. Female Workers of 20 years of age and over who— (*a*) have had not less than two years' experience after learnership in the Retail Bespoke Dressmaking Branch of the trade (as defined in paragraph 20 of this Schedule) and (*b*) who are employed as "fully qualified" Bodice, Skirt, Gown or Blouse Hands (as defined in paragraph 16 of this Schedule)	Per hour s. d. 1 11	Per hour s. d. 1 9½	Per hour s. d. 1 8
Paragraph 2. Female Workers (including Out-workers) other than workers of the classes specified in paragraphs 1 and 3 of this Schedule ...	1 9¾	1 8	1 8
Paragraph 3. Female Learners (as defined in paragraph 17 of this Schedule):—			
During 1st six months of employment ...	1 0	0 10	0 9¼
„ 2nd „ „ „ „ ...	1 1¼	0 10	0 9¼
„ 2nd year of employment	1 4	1 1¼	1 0¼
„ 3rd „ „ „	1 7	1 3½	1 2

Late Entrants

Paragraph 4.

A female learner who enters or who has entered the trade for the first time at 18 years of age or over shall be deemed, for the purpose of the minimum rates specified in paragraph 3 of this Schedule and the calculation of the period of learnership, to have completed one year's employment as a learner.

Advances to Learners

Paragraph 5.

The advances to be given to learners shall become due on the completion of each period of six or twelve months' employment in the Retail Bespoke Dressmaking Branch of the trade, as the case may be.

Employment in the Factory Branch

Paragraph 6.

Where a worker has been employed in the Factory Branch of the trade one half of the period of such employment shall be treated, for the purposes of this Schedule, as employment in the Retail Bespoke Branch of the trade.

Completion of Learnership

Paragraph 7.

A female learner shall (subject to the provisions of paragraphs 4 and 6 of this Schedule) cease to be a learner and shall be entitled to the appropriate

general minimum time rate applicable to workers other than learners on the completion of three years' employment in the Retail Bespoke Dressmaking Branch of the trade and the attainment of the age of 18 years.

CERTIFICATES OF LEARNERSHIP

Paragraph 8.

Application must be made to the Wages Council for a certificate of learnership in respect of every worker whom it is desired to employ at the special lower rates for female learners. Unless such certificate has been obtained or application made therefor, and the other conditions relating to learnership as laid down in this Schedule are complied with, the general minimum time rate payable shall be the appropriate rate for female workers other than learners.

PIECE WORK BASIS TIME RATES

	AREA A	AREA B	AREA C
	The respective areas are defined in paragraph 19.		
Paragraph 9. FEMALE WORKERS OF 20 YEARS OF AGE AND OVER who (*a*) have had not less than two years' experience after learnership in the Retail Bespoke Dressmaking Branch of the trade, and (*b*) who are employed as "fully qualified" Bodice, Skirt, Gown or Blouse Hands (as defined in paragraph 16 of this Schedule)	Per hour s. d. 2 0	Per hour s. d. 1 10½	Per hour s. d. 1 9
Paragraph 10. OTHER FEMALE WORKERS (including Out-workers)	1 10¾	1 9	1 9

APPLICATION OF PIECE WORK BASIS TIME RATES

Paragraph 11.

An employer must pay to workers employed on piece work, piece rates each of which would yield, in the circumstances of the case, to an ordinary worker at least the same amount of money as the appropriate piece work basis time rate. In determining whether any piece rate satisfies the foregoing condition regard shall be had only to the earnings of workers of ordinary skill and experience in the class of work in question and not to the earnings of workers of less than ordinary skill and experience.

OVERTIME

Paragraph 12.

Overtime rates shall be payable as follows:—

A. FEMALE WORKERS EMPLOYED ON TIME WORK:—

(1) On any day other than Saturday (or another day of the week (other than Sunday) substituted therefor), Sunday or a customary holiday—

For the first two hours worked in excess of 9 hours ... ... TIME-AND-A-QUARTER
Thereafter ... ... TIME-AND-A-HALF

(2) On a Saturday (or another day of the week (other than Sunday) substituted therefor), not being a customary holiday—

(*a*) in respect of that class of worker which customarily attends on six days a week—
For all time worked in excess of 4 hours TIME-AND-A-HALF

(*b*) In respect of that class of worker which customarily attends on five days a week—
For all time worked ... ... TIME-AND-A-HALF

(3) On a Sunday or a customary holiday—
For all time worked ... ... DOUBLE TIME