

1981 No. 411

WAGES COUNCILS

**Linen and Cotton Handkerchief and Household Goods and
Linen Piece Goods Wages Regulation (Amendment)
Order (Northern Ireland) 1981**

Made 21st December 1981

Coming into operation 12th January 1982

The Department of Manpower Services, in exercise of the powers conferred by section 10 of the Wages Councils Act (Northern Ireland) 1945(a), and now vested in it(b), and of every other power enabling it in that behalf, hereby makes the following Order to give effect to wages regulation proposals received from the Linen and Cotton Handkerchief and Household Goods and Linen Piece Goods Wages Council (Northern Ireland).

Citation

1. This Order may be cited as the Linen and Cotton Handkerchief and Household Goods and Linen Piece Goods Wages Regulation (Amendment) Order (Northern Ireland) 1981.

Commencement

2. The wages regulation proposals set out in the Schedule shall come into operation on the specified date.

Interpretation

3. In this Order the expression "the specified date" means 12th January 1982, 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 Department of Manpower Services for Northern Ireland on 21st December 1981.

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Trevor Pearson

Assistant Secretary

(a) 1945 c. 21 (N.I.)

(b) 1946 c. 11 (N.I.); S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1964 No. 205 and S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1973 No. 504 Art. 6(1) and Sch. 3

SCHEDULE

Statutory Minimum Remuneration

The Linen and Cotton Handkerchief and Household Goods and Linen Piece Goods Wages Regulation (Consolidation) Order (Northern Ireland) 1981(a) (Order N.I.H.H.G. (224)) shall have effect as if in the Schedule thereto for paragraphs 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 13, 14 and 15 there were substituted the following paragraphs:—

GENERAL MINIMUM TIME RATES

	Per Hour
Paragraph 1	P
Measurers and samplermakers who have served an apprenticeship of five years ..	154.9
Paragraph 2	
Lappers who have served an apprenticeship of five years ..	153.9
Paragraph 3	
Apprentices to Lapping, Measuring and Sample-making—	
During 1st year of apprenticeship ..	67.7
During 2nd year of apprenticeship ..	77.8
During 3rd year of apprenticeship ..	92.9
During 4th year of apprenticeship ..	106.8
During 5th year of apprenticeship ..	118.7
Paragraph 4	
Workers Operating Swiss Embroidery Machines—	
During 1st 6 months of such employment ..	90.1
During 2nd 6 months of such employment ..	106.1
Thereafter ..	144.0
Paragraph 5	
(a) Adult warehouse assistants or warehouse clerks, who have served an apprenticeship of five years and who are wholly or mainly employed on warehousing operations, including clerical work incidental to or appertaining to such operations when performed by the same person ..	145.5
(b) Adult packers ..	144.0
Paragraph 6	
Workers (including Clippers and Menders) assisting at Swiss Embroidery Machines ..	137.4
Paragraph 7	
Workers engaged in stitching machines (other than Swiss embroidery machines), vice-folding, or hand smoothing—	
(a) Workers commencing employment in the trade at or over 18 years of age:—	
(i) During the first six months of employment ..	125.8
(ii) Thereafter ..	137.4
(b) Workers under 18 years of age:—	
(i) During the first six months of employment if commencing at—	
under 17 years of age ..	96.6
17 and under 18 years of age ..	104.1
(ii) Thereafter ..	137.4

PROVIDED THAT—

- (1) A worker who is transferred from one of such operations to another during the second six months of employment must be paid during such second six months a general minimum time rate of 125.8p per hour and thereafter, at the general minimum time rate of 137.4p per hour.

- (2) A worker of the classes specified in paragraph 8 who is subsequently employed on stitching machines (other than Swiss embroidery machines) vice-folding, or hand smoothing, must not, during the first six months of those operations, be paid at a lower general minimum time rate than that worker would have been entitled to receive, if that worker had continued to be employed on the operations to which the general minimum time rates set out in paragraph 8 are applicable.

Certificates of Learnership are not applicable to workers employed on the operations specified in this paragraph.

Paragraph 8

Learners (as defined in paragraph 24) and juvenile workers (other than workers of the classes specified in paragraphs 3, 4 and 7)—

Period of employment	commencing at	
	under 18 years of age	18 years of age and over
	Per hour	Per hour
	p	p
During 1st six months of employment ..	89.5	116.1
During 2nd six months of employment ..	97.8	121.9
During 3rd six months of employment ..	104.9	125.8
During 4th six months of employment ..	115.0	129.7

Paragraph 9

Workers other than workers of the classes specified elsewhere — 137.4p per hour.

PIECE WORK BASIS TIME RATES

	Per hour
	p
Paragraph 13	
Adult workers operating Swiss embroidery machines—	
(a) Workers employed on single machines having two or three tiers ..	145.3
(b) Workers employed on single machines having four tiers or on any coupled machines ..	146.8
Paragraph 14	
Adult workers other than outworkers and those specified in paragraph 16 ..	137.4
Paragraph 15	
Outworkers ..	137.4

GENERAL MINIMUM PIECE RATES

The general minimum piece rates set out in paragraphs 18 and 19 were increased by 8 per cent.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order.)

This Order, which comes into operation on 12th January 1982, amends the Linen and Cotton Handkerchief and Household Goods and Linen Piece Goods Wages Regulation (Consolidation) Order (Northern Ireland) 1981 (Order N.I.H.H.G. (224)) by increasing the statutory minimum remuneration fixed by that Order.

New provisions in the Schedule are printed in italics.