



# Minimum Wage Order 2001

Michael Hardie Boys, Governor-General

## Order in Council

At Wellington this 29th day of January 2001

Present:

The Right Hon Helen Clark presiding in Council

Pursuant to section 4 of the Minimum Wage Act 1983, His Excellency the Governor-General, acting on the advice and with the consent of the Executive Council, makes the following order.

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### Order

#### 1 Title

This order is the Minimum Wage Order 2001.

#### 2 Commencement

This order comes into force on 5 March 2001.

#### 3 Minimum youth rates

- (1) The following rates are the minimum rates of wages payable to a youth worker:

- (a) for a youth worker paid by the hour or by piecework, \$5.40 per hour or an equivalent amount having regard to the rate of production of the worker:
  - (b) for a youth worker paid by the day,—
    - (i) \$43.20 per day; and
    - (ii) \$5.40 per hour for each hour exceeding 8 worked by a worker on a day:
  - (c) in all other cases,—
    - (i) \$216 per week; and
    - (ii) \$5.40 per hour for each hour exceeding 40 worked by a worker in a week.
- (2) In subclause (1), a **youth worker** is a worker aged 16 years or 17 years to whom the Minimum Wage Act 1983 applies.

#### 4 Minimum adult rates

- (1) The following rates are the minimum rates of wages payable to an adult worker:
- (a) for an adult worker paid by the hour or by piecework, \$7.70 per hour or an equivalent amount having regard to the rate of production of the worker:
  - (b) for an adult worker paid by the day,—
    - (i) \$61.60 per day; and
    - (ii) \$7.70 per hour for each hour exceeding 8 worked by a worker on a day:
  - (c) in all other cases,—
    - (i) \$308 per week; and
    - (ii) \$7.70 per hour for each hour exceeding 40 worked by a worker in a week.
- (2) In subclause (1), an **adult worker** is a worker aged 18 years or more to whom the Minimum Wage Act 1983 applies.

#### 5 Revocation

The Minimum Wage Order 2000 (SR 2000/2) is revoked.

Marie Shroff,  
Clerk of the Executive Council.

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### Explanatory note

*This note is not part of the order, but is intended to indicate its general effect.*

This order, which comes into force on 5 March 2001, lowers the age of eligibility for the adult minimum wage and increases the minimum rates of wages payable to adult and youth workers.

The age of eligibility for the adult minimum wage is lowered from 20 to 18 years and the minimum hourly rate of pay for an adult worker is increased from \$7.55 to \$7.70.

The minimum hourly rate payable to a youth worker (aged 16 or 17 years) is increased from \$4.55 to \$5.40.

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This order is administered in the Department of Labour.

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