

WELLINGTON INDUSTRIAL DISTRICT OPTICAL EMPLOYEES.—  
AMENDMENT OF AWARD

In the Court of Arbitration of New Zealand, Wellington Industrial District.—In the matter of the Industrial Conciliation and Arbitration Act, 1925, and the Economic Stabilization Emergency Regulations 1942; and in the matter of an application for amendment of the Wellington Industrial District Optical Employees' award, dated the 12th day of December, 1938, and recorded in 38 Book of Awards 3713.

IN pursuance and exercise of the powers vested in it by the Economic Stabilization Emergency Regulations 1942, and upon application made by a party to the Wellington Industrial District Optical Employees' award, dated the 12th day of December, 1938, and recorded in 38 Book of Awards 3713, this Court doth hereby order as follows:—

1. That the said award shall be amended—

(i) By deleting clause 3, and substituting therefor the following clause:—

*“ Wages*

“ 3. The following shall be the minimum rates of wages:—

“(a) Learners—	Per Week.		
	£	s.	d.
“ First six months of service ..	..	1	2 6
“ Second six months of service ..	..	1	7 6
“ Third six months of service ..	..	1	12 6
“ Fourth six months of service ..	..	1	18 6
“ Fifth six months of service ..	..	2	4 0
“ Sixth six months of service ..	..	2	10 0
“ Fourth year of service ..	..	2	17 6
“ Fifth year of service ..	..	3	13 6

“ An employer who is a registered optician shall be entitled to employ one learner.

“ In cases where two or three workers are employed, one of such workers must have served not less than five years at the trade.

“ In cases where four or more workers are employed, one of such workers must have served not less than five years at the trade, and one other of such workers must have served at least three years at the trade.

“(b) Mechanics: £5 17s. 6d. per week.

“Mechanics in charge of three or more workers shall be classed as foremen, and shall be paid not less than £6 7s. 6d. per week.

“(c) Attendants—

	Male.			Female.		
	Per Week.			Per Week.		
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
“ First six months of service .. ..	1	2	6	1	1	6
“ Second six months of service .. ..	1	7	6	1	5	6
“ Third six months of service .. ..	1	12	6	1	9	6
“ Fourth six months of service .. ..	1	18	6	1	14	6
“ Fifth six months of service .. ..	2	4	0	1	18	6
“ Sixth six months of service .. ..	2	9	0	2	3	6
“ Fourth year of service	2	18	6	2	10	0
“ Fifth year of service	3	15	0	2	17	6
“ Thereafter .. ..	4	13	6	3	3	6”

(ii) By deleting clause 7, and substituting therefor the following clause:—

“ *Meal-money*

“ 7. Meal-money at the rate of 2s. per meal shall be paid in accordance with the requirements of the Shops and Offices Act, 1921-22, and its amendments, or the Factories Act, 1921-22, and its amendments, as the case may be.

“ The provisions of the two general orders of the Court made under the Rates of Wages Emergency Regulations 1940 shall not apply to the meal-money payment provided for in this clause.”

2. That, for the purpose of removing doubts as to the operation of the two general orders of the Court made under the Rates of Wages Emergency Regulations 1940, and dated the 9th August, 1940, and the 31st March, 1942, respectively, it is hereby declared that the amended rates of remuneration provided by this order shall, except where otherwise provided, be increased to the extent and in the manner set forth in the said two general orders of the Court.

3. That this order shall be deemed to have come into force on the 1st day of April, 1945.

Dated this 6th day of August, 1945.

[L.S.]

A. TYNDALL, Judge.