

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 clause 3 of the said award (as amended by order of the Court dated the 6th August, 1945) shall be deleted, and the following clause substituted therefor:—

“ *Wages*

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

“(a) Learners—	Per Week.		
	£	s.	d.
“ First six months of service ..	1	3	6
“ Second six months of service ..	1	8	6
“ Third six months of service ..	1	13	6
“ Fourth six months of service ..	1	19	6
“ Fifth six months of service ..	2	5	0
“ Sixth six months of service ..	2	11	0
“ Fourth year of service ..	2	19	0
“ Fifth year of service ..	3	15	0

“ 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 19s. 2d. per week.

“Mechanics in charge of three or more workers shall be classed as foremen, and shall be paid not less than £6 9s. 2d. per week.

	Male.			Female.		
	Per Week.			Per Week.		
“(c) Attendants—	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
“ First six months of service	1	3	0	1	2	0
“ Second six months of service	1	8	0	1	6	6
“ Third six months of service	1	13	0	1	10	6
“ Fourth six months of service	1	19	6	1	15	6
“ Fifth six months of service	2	5	0	2	0	0
“ Sixth six months of service	2	10	0	2	5	0
“ Fourth year of service ..	3	0	0	2	11	0
“ Fifth year of service ..	3	16	8	2	19	0
“ Thereafter ..	4	15	2	3	5	0”

(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 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 September, 1945.

Dated this 12th day of September, 1946.

[L.S.]

A. TYNDALL, Judge.