NORTHERN, TARANAKI, WELLINGTON, MARLBOROUGH, AND NELSON PLASTERERS, FIBROUS-PLASTERERS, AND TILE-FIXERS—AMENDMENT OF AWARD

In the Court of Arbitration of New Zealand.—In the matter of the Industrial Conciliation and Arbitration Act, 1925, and the Economic Stabilization Regulations 1952; and in the matter of the Northern, Taranaki, Wellington, Marlborough, and Nelson Plasterers, Fibrous-plasterers, and Tile-fixers award, dated the 22nd day of November 1950, and recorded in 50 Book of Awards 1665.

In pursuance and exercise of the powers vested in it by the Economic Stabilization Regulations 1952, and of every other power in that behalf thereunto enabling it, this Court, for the purpose of giving effect to the pronouncement made by it on the 12th day of July 1952, doth hereby order as follows :—

1. That the said award shall be amended in the manner following :---

(1) By deleting clause 4 and substituting the following clause :---

" Wages

"4. (a) The minimum rates of wages shall be as follows: Journeymen plasterers, journeymen fibrous-plasterers, and tile-layers, 5s. $1\frac{3}{4}$ d. per hour.

"(b) An additional amount of $\frac{3}{4}$ d. per hour shall be paid to the journeymen only as tool, brush, and overall allowance.

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"(c) In all town and country shops where the journeyman is required according to the usual practice, shortage of labour, or for any other reason, to perform shop work, casting, or slabbing as part of the normal week's work, his status shall not be affected thereby, and no deduction shall be made in his hourly rate whilst so employed.

" (d) Fibrous-plaster caster and wallboard-makers shall be paid at a rate not less than 4s. 7d. per hour.

" (e) Fibrous-plaster casters employed in the manufacture of cement sheets shall be paid at a rate not less than 4s. $7\frac{3}{4}$ d. per hour.

"(f) Casters of cornice, rib, and other light castings other than sheet castings shall be paid not less than 4s. $4\frac{1}{2}d$. per hour. Where such worker is engaged in a dual capacity of both sheet and cornice castings he shall be paid 4s. 7d. per hour.

"(g) Boys and youths may be employed solely on casting cornices, rib, or any other light casting (other than sheet casting) at the following weekly rates of wages :—

Age Commencing.	First Year.		Second Year.		Third Year.		Fourth Year.		Fifth Year.	
	First Half.	Second Half.								
From 16 to 17	48/-	55/6	63/-	70/6	79/6	87/-	94/6	102/6	114/-	128/-
From 17 to 18	62/6	70/-	78/-	86/6	94/-	102/-	114/-	128/-		1.0
From 18 to 19	77/6	85/-	93/-	101/6	114/-	128/-	1.1.1			
From 19 to 20	93/-	101/6	114/-	128/-						
From 20 to 21	114/-	128/-			Van Stering			1807.1.1		

"(*h*) Workers over the age of twenty years may be employed as learners at 4s. $3\frac{1}{2}d$. per hour for a period of six months. Workers who have been employed under subclause (i) of this clause shall not be employed under this subclause.

-		First Six Months.	Second Six Months.	Third Six Months.	Fourth Six Months.	Fifth Six Months.	Sixth Six Months.
Under 19		77/6	85/-	93/-	101/6	114/-	128/-
19 to 20		 93/-	101/6	114/-	128/-		
20 to 21		 114/-	128/-	1.00			
20 to 21 "Thereafter	 minimu		128/-	•••	i		1

"(j) Where learners are not employed the proportion of youths to fully-paid casters shall be not more than one to the first caster and one to each succeeding two or fraction of two fully-paid casters; but where learners are employed the proportion of youths employed shall not exceed one to every three fully-paid casters.

"(k) The worker who is responsible for carrying out the work and who gives instructions to the other workers shall be paid not less than 2s. 11d. per day in addition to the above-mentioned rates : Provided that the provisions of this subclause shall not be applied in respect of workers who are temporarily employed on the job and the period of whose employment thereon does not exceed three days.

"(l) An employer shall be entitled to make a rateable deduction from the wages of a worker for time lost through sickness or through his own default, or by absence through no fault of the employer." (2) By inserting after clause 4 the following new clause :--

" Exclusion from Operation of General Order

"5. The rates of remuneration provided for in this award shall *not* be subject to the provisions of the general order of the Court, dated the 30th January 1951, and made under the Economic Stabilization Regulations 1950."

(3) By deleting from the undermentioned clauses the figures and symbols set out in the first column hereunder and substituting in each case the figures and symbols respectively set out in the second column hereunder :—

		First Column		Column.	
Clause $13(f)$	 • • •	 7s.	8s. $0\frac{1}{2}$ d.		
Clause 13 (i)	 	 6d.	7d.		
Clause 14	 	 3s.	3s. 6d.		
Clause 17 (a)	 	 3d.	$3\frac{1}{2}$ d.		
Clause 17 (b)	 	 4d.	$4\frac{1}{2}$ d.		
Clause 17 (c)	 	 3d.	$3\frac{1}{2}$ d.		
Clause 17 (e)	 	 4d.	$4\frac{1}{2}$ d.		
Clause 17 (f)	 	 $3\frac{1}{2}$ d.	4d.		
Clause 17 (i)	 	 4d.	$4\frac{1}{2}$ d.		

2. That this order shall come into force on the 1st day of September 1952. Dated this 6th day of August 1952.

[L.S.]

A. TYNDALL, Judge.

MEMORANDUM

The rates of remuneration prescribed in the award are *not* to be increased by the application of the provisions of the Court's general order of the 30th January 1951.

A. TYNDALL, Judge.