

**NORTHERN INDUSTRIAL DISTRICT TEXTILE SACK AND
BAG WORKERS – AMENDMENT OF AWARD**

In the Court of Arbitration of New Zealand – In the matter of the Industrial Conciliation and Arbitration Act 1954 and the Equal Pay Act 1972 and the Economic Stabilisation Regulations 1973; And in the matter of the Northern Industrial District Textile Sack and Bag Workers Award, dated the 27th day of July 1972, and recorded in 72 Book of Awards 2928.

In pursuance and exercise of the powers conferred on it by subsection (4A) of section 4 of the Equal Pay Act 1972: And upon application made in that behalf by the duly authorised agents of the parties to the industrial dispute that was settled by the Northern Industrial District Textile Sack and Bag Workers Award, dated the 27th day of July 1972: And upon being satisfied that the application is for the purpose of giving effect to provisions of that Act and is not inconsistent with the requirements of the Economic Stabilisation Regulations 1973: The Court doth hereby order as follows:

1. That the said award shall be amended by deleting subclauses (a) and (b) of clause 6 (Wages) and substituting therefor the following subclauses –

“(a) The minimum rates of wages for workers employed in or in conjunction with the manufacture of textile sacks and bags shall be:

	Per Hour cents
(i) Male Workers –	
Roto-printer operators:	
Three or more colours – to commence	. 143.7
Three or more colours – qualified	. 162.7
Single or two-colour	. 141.0
All other workers	. 130.2
(ii) Female Workers –	
Machinists	. 110.0
All other workers	. 108.0

(b) The minimum rates of wages for workers employed on the collection and refurbishing of second-hand sacks and bags shall be:

	Per Hour cents
(i) Male workers	. 125.9
(ii) Female workers	. 106.0”

2. That this order shall be deemed to have come into force on the 1st day of October 1973.

Dated this 15th day of November 1973.

(L.S.)

A. P. BLAIR, Judge.

MEMORANDUM

The representatives of the parties desire it to be recorded that this amendment completes the first step in the implementation of equal pay for female workers. The remaining differential between male and female rates where it exists is to be eliminated in four approximately equal steps in accordance with the provisions of the Equal Pay Act.

The amended wage rates payable under this order include the effect of the 8.5 percent wage adjustment order under the Economic Stabilisation Regulations 1973.

A. P. BLAIR, Judge.