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NEW ZEALAND WATCH AND CLOCK MAKING AND REPAIRING AND
MANUFACTURING JEWELLERY, ETC., INDUSTRY — AMENDMENT
TO APPRENTICESHIP ORDER

Dated 3/2/76

In the Industrial Court of New Zealand — In the matter of the Apprentices Act 1948; and in the matter of the New Zealand Watch and Clock Repairing and Manufacturing Jewellery, etc. Industry Apprenticeship Order dated the 5th day of April 1974, and being recorded in the 74 Book of Awards 139.

Whereas by section 13 (2) of the Apprentices Act 1948, the Industrial Court is empowered to amend any apprenticeship order: And whereas application has been made to the Court by the New Zealand Watch and Clock Making and Repairing and Manufacturing Jewellery, etc. Apprenticeship Committee for amendment of the New Zealand Watch and Clock Repairing and Manufacturing Jewellery, etc. Industry Apprenticeship Order, dated the 5th day of April 1974: And whereas the Court has considered the recommendations made to it by the said Committee: Now, therefore, the Court, in pursuance and exercise of the powers vested in it by the said Act, doth hereby order as follows:

1. That the said apprenticeship order shall be amended in the manner following:

(1) By adding immediately after the words “and/or die sinking” in clause 1 (Industry to which Order applies) the following new branch: “, and precious metal refining.”

(2) By adding after subclause (c) of clause 8 (Term of Apprenticeship) the following new subclause —

“(c.c) In the Precious Metal Refining Branch the term of apprenticeship shall be 6,000 hours divided into six 1,000 hour periods.”

(3) By deleting the word “branch” in paragraph (iii) of subclause (a) of clause 10 (Wages) and adding after the word “badgemaking” the words “and precious metal refining branches.”

(4) By adding to the Schedule the following new list of skills —

“(g) Precious Metal Refining —

(a) Preparation Work: Sweeps — recording, weighing, burning, ground sieving to produce fine powder and metallics, sampling of these products.

 Lemels — burning, dressing, melting if necessary preliminary treatment of other materials

(b) Refining — Separating gold, silver, platinum and palladium from each other and other materials by chemical process and electrolysis.

(c) Assaying — Concentrating metal samples in lead fusion, cupelling and parting in acid, analysing by wet methods of titiation.

(d) Alloying and Melting — Alloying and melting of precious metals into different carat standards of 9 carat and 18 carat white or yellow gold, sterling silver, platinum and palladium by either granulation or casting into ingots.

(e) Rolling — Rolling previous metal ingots into wire or plate.

(f) Mercury Refining — Separating mercury from other materials by retorting distilling and other methods of purification.

(g) Precious Metal Casting and Stamping.”

2. This order shall operate and take effect as from the day of the date hereof.

Dated this 3rd day of February 1976.

R. D. Jamieson, Judge.