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Red text indicates new text that is to be included. Strikethrough text indicates existing text that is to be deleted.

EXPOSURE DRAFT

Manufacturing and Associated Industries and Occupations Award 2016

This exposure draft has been prepared by staff of the Fair Work Commission based on the *Manufacturing and Associated Industries and Occupations Award 2010* (Manufacturing Award) as at 29 October 2015. This exposure draft does not seek to amend any entitlements under the Manufacturing Award but has been prepared to address some of the structural issues identified in modern awards.

The review of this award in accordance with s.156 of the *Fair Work Act 2009* is being dealt with in matter [AM2014/75](#). Additionally a number of common issues are being dealt with by the Commission which may affect this award. Transitional provisions have not been included in this exposure draft pending the outcome of the review.

This draft does not represent the concluded view of the Commission in this matter.

This version of the Exposure draft is based on the Manufacturing exposure draft as at 13 June 2017 and includes provisions in relation to the **Vehicle Manufacturing** stream (from the *Vehicle Manufacturing, Repair, Services and Retail Award 2010*) **highlighted**.

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Part 1—Application and Operation

1. Title and commencement

- 1.1 This award is the *Manufacturing and Associated Industries and Occupations Award 2016*.
- 1.2 This modern award, as varied, commenced operation on 1 January 2010.
- 1.3 A variation to this award does not affect any right, privilege, obligation or liability that a person acquired, accrued or incurred under the award as it existed prior to that variation.
- 1.4 Schedule I—Definitions sets out definitions that apply in this award.
- 1.5 Neither the making of this award nor the operation of any transitional arrangements is intended to result in a reduction in the take-home pay of employees covered by the award. On application by or on behalf of an employee who suffers a reduction in take-home pay as a result of the making of this award or the operation of any transitional arrangements, the Fair Work Commission may make any order it considers appropriate to remedy the situation.

2. The National Employment Standards and this award

- 2.1 The [National Employment Standards](#) (NES) and this award contain the minimum conditions of employment for employees covered by this award.
- 2.2 Where this award refers to a condition of employment provided for in the NES, the NES definition applies.
- 2.3 The employer must ensure that copies of this award and the NES are available to all employees to whom they apply, either on a notice board which is conveniently located at or near the workplace or through accessible electronic means.

3. Coverage

- 3.1 This award covers employers throughout Australia of employees in the Manufacturing and Associated Industries and Occupations who are covered by the classifications in this award and those employees.
- 3.2 The award does not cover:
 - (a) an employer who is outside the scope of clause 3.8(a) or (b) unless such an employer employs an employee covered by clause 3.8(c) and the employer is not covered by another modern award containing a classification which is more appropriate to the work performed by the employee; or
 - (b) exempt employers and employees, as set out in clause 3.10.

3.3 This award does not cover:

- (a) employees excluded from award coverage by *Fair Work Act 2009* (Cth) (the Act);
- (b) employees who are covered by a modern enterprise award or an enterprise instrument (within the meaning of the *Fair Work (Transitional Provisions and Consequential Amendments) Act 2009* (Cth)), or employers in relation to those employees; or
- (c) employees who are covered by a State reference public sector modern award or a State reference public sector transitional award (within the meaning of the *Fair Work (Transitional Provisions and Consequential Amendments) Act 2009* (Cth)), or employers in relation to those employees.

3.4 This award covers any employer which supplies labour on an on-hire basis in the industry (or industries) set out in clauses 3.8(a) or (b) in respect of on-hire employees in classifications covered by this award, and those on-hire employees, while engaged in the performance of work for a business in that industry (those industries).

3.5 This award covers any employer which supplies on-hire employees in occupations set out in clause 3.8(c) covered by the classifications in this award and those on-hire employees, if the employer is not covered by another modern award containing a classification which is more appropriate to the work performed by the employee.

3.6 Clauses 3.4 and 3.5 operate subject to exclusions from coverage in this award.

3.7 This award covers employers which provide group training services for apprentices and/or trainees engaged in the industries and/or parts of industry and/or occupations set out at clause 3.8 and those apprentices and/or trainees engaged by a group training service hosted by a company to perform work at a location where the activities described in clause 3.8 are being performed. Clause 3.7 operates subject to the exclusions from coverage in this award.

3.8 Manufacturing and Associated Industries and Occupations means:

- (a) the following industries and parts of industries:
 - (i) the manufacture, making, assembly, processing, treatment, fabrication and preparation of:
 - the products, structures, articles, parts or components set out in clause 3.9; or
 - the materials or substances set out in clause 3.9; or
 - any products, structures, articles, parts or components made from, or containing, the materials or substances set out in clause 3.9.
 - (ii) the coating, painting, colouring, varnishing, japanning, lacquering, enamelling, porcelain enamelling, oxidising, glazing, galvanising, electroplating, gilding, bronzing, engraving, cleaning, polishing, tanning, dyeing, treatment and finishing of any of the items referred to in clause 3.8(a)(i).

- (iii) the repair, refurbishment, reconditioning, maintenance, installation, testing and fault finding of:
 - any of the items referred to in clause 3.8(a)(i); or
 - floor covering; or
 - plant, equipment and buildings (including power supply) in the industries and parts of industries referred to in clauses 3.8(a)(i) and (ii); or
 - plant, equipment and buildings (including power supply) in any other industry.
 - (iv) mechanical and electrical engineering.
 - (v) space tracking.
 - (vi) farriery (other than in the racing industry).
 - (vii) bottle merchants.
 - (viii) the printing and processing of photographs from film.
 - (ix) every operation, process, duty and function carried on or performed in or in connection with or incidental to any of the foregoing industries, parts of industries or occupations.
 - (x) handling, sorting, packing, despatching, distribution and transport in connection with any of the foregoing industries or parts of industries.
 - (xi) the manufacturing, assembling or repairing of carriages, carts, wagons, trucks, motor cars, bodies, motorcycles, railway cars, tram cars, side-cars or other vehicles or parts or components or accessories in wood, metal and/or other materials.
 - (xii) manufacturing, assembling, fabricating, installing, servicing, maintaining, reconditioning or repairing of engines or vehicle servicing equipment and agricultural machinery or implements or the like where such employer immediately prior to 31 December 2009 was bound by clause 1.5.4(a) of the *Vehicle Industry Award 2000* [[AP801818CRV](#)].
- (b) the provision of any of the operations or services set out in clause 3.8(a) on a contract basis by one business to another business, where the first business is independent of the second business.
- (c) the following occupations:
- (i) maintenance employees in the engineering streams.
 - (ii) technical workers.
 - (iii) draughtspersons.
 - (iv) production planners.
 - (v) trainee engineers.

(vi) trainee scientists.

(vii) engine drivers.

3.9 For the purposes of clause 3.8(a)(i), the products, structures, articles, parts, components, materials and substances include:

- (a) all products made from, or containing, steel, iron, metal, sheet metal, tin, brass, copper and non-ferrous metal.
- (b) melting and smelting of metals.
- (c) articles made from wire and the drawing and insulation of wire.
- (d) industrial gases.
- (e) ships, boats, barges and marine vessels of all descriptions, and components.
- (f) aircraft and components.
- (g) locomotives, rolling stock, railway line and components.
- (h) motor engines, motor cars, motor cycles and other motor driven vehicles and components.
- (i) industrial machinery.
- (j) tools, saws, dies, gauges and moulds.
- (k) electrical, electronic, telecommunications, lighting, radio, television and X-ray products, equipment, apparatus, installations, appliances, devices and signs.
- (l) recording, measuring and controlling devices for electricity, fluids, gases, heat, temperature, pressure, time, weight, mass, etc.
- (m) stoves, ovens, steam cookers, refrigerators, kitchenware, household utensils, irons, radiators, heaters, furniture, toys, sporting goods, perambulators, window frames, agricultural implements, machinery and appliances, safes, strong rooms, wet batteries, dry batteries, metallic containers, canisters, drums, lifts, elevators, air-conditioning plant/equipment, bridges, girders, gates, fences, frames, engine packing, brushes and brooms.
- (n) insulation materials and articles.
- (o) clay and ceramic articles, including but not limited to bricks, refractory bricks, terra cotta products, tiles, pipes, pottery, tableware and flower pots.
- (p) jewellery, watches and clocks (including cases), badges, name-plates, precious metal products and precious stones.
- (q) medical and optical instruments, appliances and equipment, including but not limited to spectacles, contact lenses and artificial limbs.
- (r) brake linings, disc pads, clutch facings and other friction materials for automotive or other industrial applications.

- (s) all products made from or containing plastic or rubber, or substitutes for plastic or rubber.
- (t) synthetic resins, powders, tablets, etc, used in the plastics industry.
- (u) duperite, bakelite, casein or similar compositions, synthetic rubberlikes, guttaperchalikes, rubberlike plastics, nitrocellulose, celluloid, leathercloth and elastomers.
- (v) thermoplastics and thermo-setting plastics, cellulose plastics, perspex, cellulose acetate butyrate, polymethyl methacrylate, nylon 66, polyethylene terephthalate, acronitrile-butadiene-styrene, epoxy resins, laminates of all descriptions, polymers of all descriptions and all long chain organic materials generally known as plastics.
- (w) transmission cables which encompasses power and communication cables (including single strand) whether insulated or not.
- (x) abrasive wheels and stones, bounded abrasives, articles or goods containing a thermoplastic and/or a thermosetting plastic and allied products.
- (y) all types of tapes including pressure sensitive tapes, cellulose adhesive tape, masking, cloth, metal, paper, plastic tapes in rolls or sheet form, films, papers or cloth surface coated with abrasives, and abrasive coated materials and abrasive coated and/or uncoated articles of all descriptions, impregnated and/or coated or uncoated films, papers or cloths, plastic ribbons, adhesives, laminates, sealers, coatings and elastic cements, and associated machinery and/or dispensing equipment using any of the above products.
- (z) gelatine, glue, agar, and their by-products, dried residues, filter earth dextrine and adhesives of all descriptions, and other like materials.
- (aa) artificial fertilizers, chemicals, alkalis and all processes involving chemical synthesis.
- (bb) fungicides, insecticides, vermin destroyer and weed destroyer (except for spraying, fumigating, poisoning or otherwise applying such substances).
- (cc) paint, decorative or protective surface coatings or coverings and associated products.
- (dd) rope, cordage, twine, yarn, thread and braid made from jute or flax and/or any fibre or synthetic fibre in substitution therefore and all products made from such rope, cordage, twine, yarn, thread and braid.
- (ee) skins, pelts, leather, canvas, fibre, vulcanised fibre, webbing, bark and other tanning extracts and all substitutes and all products made therefrom, including but not limited to saddles, harnesses, whips, machine belting, sporting goods, travel goods, handbags, wallets, belts, gloves, hats, sails, tents, tarpaulins, umbrellas, parachutes, car seats, gaskets, beach shelters, deck chairs, cargo nets, shipsgear and life jackets.
- (ff) all types of flat glass and fibreglass, and all substitutes, and all products made therefrom including but not limited to flint ware, bottles, containers, jars,

bricks, light bulbs, opal ware, pyrex ware, translucent reinforced sheeting, tubing, rods and lamp shades.

- (gg) gypsum, plasterboard, fibre cement and similar materials and all products made therefrom.
- (hh) furnishings made from cane, bamboo and other like materials.
- (ii) upholstery, furnishing drapery, blinds, screens, awnings, mattresses and bedding.
- (jj) flooring products made from other than wood.
- (kk) picture frames made from other than wood.
- (ll) musical instruments made from other than wood.
- (mm) non-food grocery products including candles, soap, soap powders and extracts, soda, blue (washing), boot blacking, boot polish, boot paste, boot stains, blacklead, charcoal, coal dust, cloudy ammonia, dubbin, ebonite shine, furniture polish, glycerine, greasers, harness dressing, harness compounds, ink, knife polish, kindlers, linoleum and oilcloth polish, metal polish, moulders, blacking, oils, phenyle, plumbargo preparations, stove polish, and vaseline.
- (nn) refractory materials.
- (oo) cork and cork products.

3.10 Manufacturing and Associated Industries and Occupations does not mean:

- (a) plumbers, unless employed in establishments covered by this award.
- (b) the sugar industry, unless the work is carried out by contractors covered by this award who are performing work in sugar mills, bulk sugar and molasses terminals, sugar refineries and sugar industry research organisations.
- (c) security personnel.
- (d) gardeners.
- (e) cleaners, unless the cleaning work is incidental to the performance of other work covered by this award or the employee is employed most of the time in cleaning work in factories covered by this award, provided that this award does not cover contract cleaning companies.
- (f) with regard to locomotives, rolling stock, railway lines and components, work carried out by employees of a Rail Transport Operator or on-site in the building and construction industry.
- (g) with regard to transmission cables, installation and maintenance work carried out in the power industry, telecommunications industry or on-site in the building and construction industry.
- (h) employees of electrical contractors, being any entity principally engaged in the business of providing electrical services on a contract basis.

- (i) employers or employees engaged in glass and glazing work or glass and glazing contracting covered by the *Joinery and Building Trades Award 2016*.
- (j) an employer who, on 31 December 2009 was engaged in the manufacture and/or assembly of metal parts or accessories and was bound to observe the *Metal, Engineering and Associated Industries Award 1998*.

NOTE: Where there is no classification for a particular employee in this award it is possible that the employer and the employee are covered by an award with occupational coverage.

4. Award flexibility

This provision is being reviewed as a common issue

- 4.1 Notwithstanding any other provision of this award, an employer and an individual employee may agree to vary the application of certain terms of this award to meet the genuine individual needs of the employer and the individual employee. The terms the employer and the individual employee may agree to vary the application of, are those concerning:
 - (a) arrangements for when work is performed;
 - (b) overtime rates;
 - (c) penalty rates;
 - (d) allowances; and
 - (e) leave loading.
- 4.2 The employer and the individual employee must have genuinely made the agreement without coercion or duress. An agreement under this clause can only be entered into after the individual employee has commenced employment with the employer.
- 4.3 The agreement between the employer and the individual employee must:
 - (a) be confined to a variation in the application of one or more of the terms listed in clause 4.1; and
 - (b) result in the employee being better off overall at the time the agreement is made than the employee would have been if no individual flexibility agreement had been agreed to.
- 4.4 The agreement between the employer and the individual employee must also:
 - (a) be in writing, name the parties to the agreement and be signed by the employer and the individual employee and, if the employee is under 18 years of age, the employee's parent or guardian;
 - (b) state each term of this award that the employer and the individual employee have agreed to vary;

- (c) detail how the application of each term has been varied by agreement between the employer and the individual employee;
- (d) detail how the agreement results in the individual employee being better off overall in relation to the individual employee's terms and conditions of employment; and
- (e) state the date the agreement commences to operate.

4.5 The employer must give the individual employee a copy of the agreement and keep the agreement as a time and wages record.

4.6 Except as provided in clause 4.4(a) the agreement must not require the approval or consent of a person other than the employer and the individual employee.

4.7 An employer seeking to enter into an agreement must provide a written proposal to the employee. Where the employee's understanding of written English is limited the employer must take measures, including translation into an appropriate language, to ensure the employee understands the proposal.

4.8 The agreement may be terminated:

- (a) by the employer or the individual employee giving 13 weeks' notice of termination, in writing, to the other party and the agreement ceasing to operate at the end of the notice period; or
- (b) at any time, by written agreement between the employer and the individual employee.

NOTE: If any of the requirements of [s.144\(4\)](#), which are reflected in the requirements of this clause, are not met then the agreement may be terminated by either the employee or the employer, giving written notice of not more than 28 days (see [s.145](#) of the Act).

4.9 The notice provisions in clause 4.8(a) only apply to an agreement entered into from the first full pay period commencing on or after 4 December 2013. An agreement entered into before that date may be terminated in accordance with clause 4.8(a), subject to four weeks' notice of termination.

4.10 The right to make an agreement pursuant to this clause is in addition to, and is not intended to otherwise affect, any provision for an agreement between an employer and an individual employee contained in any other term of this award.

5. Facilitative provisions

5.1 Agreement to vary award provisions

- (a) This award also contains facilitative provisions which allow agreement between an employer and employees on how specific award provisions are to apply at the workplace or section or sections of it. The facilitative provisions are identified in clauses 5.2, 5.3 and 5.4.
- (b) The specific award provisions establish both the standard award condition and the framework within which agreement can be reached as to how the particular

provisions should be applied in practice. Facilitative provisions are not to be used as a device to avoid award obligations nor should they result in unfairness to an employee or employees covered by this award.

5.2 Facilitation by individual agreement

- (a) The following facilitative provisions can be utilised by agreement between an employer and an individual employee:

Clause number	Provision
6.3(b)	Minimum engagement for part-time employees
6.3(d)	Variation to hours of part-time employment
6.4(b)(iv)	Minimum wages—casual employees
6.4(c)	Minimum engagement for casuals
6.8(ii)	Time off instead of payment for overtime
13.9	Make-up time
14.5(b)	Meal break
14.6(b)(iii)	Crib break
16.1(h)	Annualised salary arrangement
27.1(c)(iii)	Tool allowance
31.8	Time off instead of payment for overtime
31.12(d)	Rest break
31.13(d)	Rest period after overtime
32.13	Deferment of annual leave
35.6	Public holiday work

- (b) The agreement reached must be kept by the employer as a time and wages record.

5.3 Facilitation by majority or individual agreement

- (a) The following facilitative provisions can be utilised by agreement between the employer and the majority of employees in the workplace or a section or sections of it, or the employer and an individual employee:

Clause number	Provision
6.5(f)	Period for casual election to convert
13.2(c)	Ordinary hours of work for day workers on weekends
13.2(d)	Variation to the spread of hours for day workers
13.7	Methods of arranging ordinary working hours
14.1(b)	Working in excess of five hours without a meal break
24.1(b)	Payment of wages
29.2(b)	Variation to the spread of hours for shiftworkers
35.4	Substitution of public holidays by agreement

- (b) Where agreement is reached between the employer and the majority of employees in the workplace or a section or sections of it to implement a

facilitative provision in clause 5.3(a), the employer must not implement that agreement unless:

- (i) agreement is also reached between the employer and each individual employee to be covered by the facilitative provision; and
 - (ii) the agreement reached is kept by the employer as a time and wages record.
- (c) Where no agreement has been sought by the employer with the majority of employees in accordance with clause 5.3(b), the employer may reach agreement with individual employees in the workplace or a section or sections of it and the agreement binds the individual employee provided the agreement reached is kept by the employer as a time and wages record and provided the agreement is only with an individual employee or a number of individual employees less than the majority in the workplace or a section or sections of it.

5.4 Facilitation by majority agreement

- (a) The following facilitative provisions may only be utilised by agreement between the employer and the majority of employees in the workplace or a section or sections of it:

Clause number	Provision
13.3(d)	Ordinary hours of work, continuous shiftworkers
13.5(c)	Ordinary hours of work, non-continuous shiftworkers
13.7(c)	12 hour shifts
14.6(c)	Meal breaks
29.2(i)(v)	Public holiday shifts
13.4(e)	Ordinary hours of work—continuous shiftworkers
13.6(c)	Ordinary hours of work—non-continuous shiftworkers
32.5	Conversion of annual leave to hourly entitlement
32.10(g)	Annual close down

- (b) Where agreement is reached with the majority of employees in the workplace or a section or sections of it to implement a facilitative provision in clause 5.4(a), that agreement binds all such employees provided the agreement reached is kept by the employer as a time and wages record.

(c) **Additional safeguard**

- (i) An additional safeguard applies to:

Clause number	Provision
13.3(d)	Ordinary hours of work, continuous shiftworkers
13.5(c)	Ordinary hours of work, non-continuous shiftworkers
24.1(b)	Payment of wages

- (ii) The additional safeguard requires that the unions which have members employed at an enterprise covered by this award must be informed by the employer of the intention to use the facilitative provision and be given a reasonable opportunity to participate in the negotiations regarding its use. Union involvement in this process does not mean that the consent of the union is required prior to the introduction of agreed facilitative arrangements at the enterprise.

5.5 Majority vote at the initiation of the employer

A vote of employees in the workplace or a section or sections of it which is taken in accordance with clauses 5.3(a) and 5.4 to determine if there is majority employee support for the implementation of a facilitative provision, is of no effect unless taken with the agreement of the employer.

Part 2—Types of Employment

6. Types of employment

6.1 Employees under this award will be employed in one of the following categories:

- (a) full-time;
- (b) part-time; or
- (c) casual.

6.2 Full-time employment

Any employee not specifically engaged as being a part-time or casual employee is for all purposes of this award a full-time employee, unless otherwise specified in this award.

6.3 Part-time employment

- (a) An employee may be engaged to work on a part-time basis involving a regular pattern of hours which average less than 38 ordinary hours per week.
- (b) A part-time employee must be engaged for a minimum of three consecutive hours per shift. In order to meet their personal circumstances a part-time employee may request and the employer may agree to an engagement for less than the minimum of three hours.
- (c) Before commencing part-time employment, the employee and employer must agree in writing on:
 - (i) the hours to be worked by the employee, the days on which they will be worked and the starting and finishing times for the work; and
 - (ii) the classification applying to the work to be performed in accordance with Schedule A—Classification Structure and Definitions.

- (d) The terms of the agreement in clause 6.3(c) may be varied by consent in writing.
- (e) The employer must retain a copy of any agreement or variation made under clause 6.3(c) or (d) and provide a copy to the employee.
- (f) Except as otherwise provided in this award, a part-time employee must be paid for the hours agreed on in accordance with clauses 6.3(c) and (d).
- (g) The terms of this award will apply pro rata to part-time employees on the basis that ordinary weekly hours for full-time employees are 38.
- (h) A part-time employee who is required by the employer to work in excess of the hours agreed under clauses 6.3(c) and (d) must be paid overtime in accordance with clause 30—Overtime.
- (i) **Public holidays**
 - (i) Where the part-time employee's normal paid hours fall on a public holiday prescribed in the NES and work is not performed by the employee, the employee must not lose pay for the day.
 - (ii) Where the part-time employee works on the public holiday, the part-time employee must be paid in accordance with clauses 13.2(g), 29.1(b), 29.2(i) and 31.7.

6.4 Casual employment

- (a) A casual employee is one engaged and paid as such.
- (b) **Casual loading**
 - (i) For working ordinary time, a casual employee must be paid:
 - the **minimum ordinary** hourly rate as ~~specified in clause 16.1~~ for the work being performed; plus
 - a loading of **25%** of the **minimum ordinary** hourly wage.
 - (ii) The casual loading constitutes part of the casual employee's all purpose rate.
 - (iii) **The resulting rate is the casual ordinary hourly rate.**
 - (iv) **Employees engaged in the technical field are entitled to a casual loading of 17.5% and, in addition, are entitled to annual leave and annual leave loading on a pro rata basis, provided that a casual loading of 25% may apply instead of these entitlements.**
 - (v) **An employer must on engagement settle with the employee whether the alternative entitlement of a casual loading of 25% will apply to the employee and record this decision. Any change to the original entitlement should only be by mutual agreement and placed on the employee's record.**
- (c) On each occasion a casual employee is required to attend work the employee

must be paid for a minimum of four hours' work. In order to meet their personal circumstances a casual employee may request and the employer may agree to an engagement for less than the minimum of four hours

- (d) When engaging a casual employee, the employer must inform the employee:
- (i) that the employee is being engaged as a casual employee;
 - (ii) of the name of their employer;
 - (iii) of their classification level and rate of pay; and
 - (iv) of the likely number of hours they will be required to perform.

6.5 Casual conversion to full-time or part-time employment

(a) Eligible casual employee

An eligible casual employee is a casual employee:

- (i) who works on a regular and systematic basis;
- (ii) who is employed for a sequence of periods of six months; and
- (iii) whose employment is to continue beyond the period of six months.

- (b) An eligible casual employee has the right, after six months, to elect to have their contract of employment converted to full-time or part-time employment.

(c) Notice and election of casual conversion

- (i) An employer of an eligible casual employee must give the employee notice in writing of the provisions of clause 6.5 within four weeks of the employee having become an eligible employee.
- (ii) The employee retains their right of election under clause 6.5 if the employer fails to comply with clause 6.5(c)(i).
- (iii) An eligible casual employee may give four weeks' notice in writing to the employer that they seek to elect to convert their contract of employment to full-time or part-time employment either:
 - upon receiving notice under clause 6.5(c)(i); or
 - after the expiry of the time for giving notice.
- (iv) An eligible casual employee who does not elect to convert their contract of employment to full-time or part-time employment within four weeks of receiving written notice is deemed to have elected against any conversion.

(d) Full-time or part-time conversion

- (i) An eligible casual employee who has worked on a full-time basis throughout their period of employment has the right to elect to convert their contract of employment to full-time employment on the basis of the same number of hours and times of work as previously worked.

- (ii) An eligible casual employee who has worked on a part-time basis during the period of casual employment has the right to elect to convert their contract of employment to part-time employment on the basis of the same number of hours and times of work as previously worked.
 - (iii) However, the employer and the employee may agree on an alternative arrangement.
 - (iv) If an eligible casual employee has elected to have their contract of employment converted to full-time or part-time employment in accordance with clause 6.5(c)(iii), the employer and employee must, subject to clause 5—Facilitative provisions, discuss and agree on:
 - which form of employment the employee will convert to, being full-time or part-time; and
 - if the employee will become a part-time employee, the number of hours and the pattern of hours that will be worked, as set out in clause 6.3(c).
 - (v) Following agreement being reached the employee converts to full-time or part-time employment.
- (e) **Employer consent or refusal to casual conversion**
- (i) The employer must consent or refuse the election within four weeks of receiving notice of the eligible casual employee’s election. The employer must not unreasonably refuse consent to the election.
 - (ii) Where an employer refuses an election to convert, the reasons for doing so must be fully stated to and discussed with the employee concerned and a genuine attempt made to reach agreement.
 - (iii) After an employee has converted to a full-time or part-time employee, they may only revert to casual employment by written agreement with the employer.
- (f) **Variation of the casual conversion six-month eligibility period**
- (i) Clause 6.5(a) may be varied as if the reference to six months is a reference to 12 months by agreement between the employer and the majority of the employees in the relevant workplace or a section or sections of it, or with the casual employee concerned.
 - (ii) An agreement to vary the six-month period with an individual employee must be reached within the two months before the period of six months referred to in clause 6.5(a).
 - (iii) The employer may only make an agreement with an individual employee or group of employees who are currently engaged.
 - (iv) Any agreement reached must be kept by the employer as a time and wages record.

6.6 An employee must not be engaged and re-engaged to avoid any obligation under this award.

6.7 Supervisor/trainer/co-ordinator field

(a) Contract of employment

- (i) The employer will in writing advise an employee in the supervisor/trainer/co-ordinator field whether the contract of employment is on a weekly, fortnightly, bi-monthly or monthly basis and the period as advised will resume as the frequency for payment of wages and the period of notice or payment instead of notice required to terminate the contract of employment.
- (ii) Nothing in this section will detract from an employer's right to dismiss any employee without notice for neglect of duty or misconduct.

6.8 Conditions of employment

- (i) The conditions of employment to apply to employees covered by this Section will not be less favourable than those prescribed under the award.
- (ii) However, where it has been the custom to do so and the employer and employee agree, time off with pay may be taken instead of payment for overtime work, shiftwork or work on Sundays or public holidays.
- (iii) Within one month of commencement of employment as a Trainer/supervisor/co-ordinator Level 1 or 2 under this section, the employer will provide to an employee, details of classification, details of total remuneration and whether or not and over what period of time it includes any element compensating the employee in whole or in part for overtime work, shiftwork, or Sundays or public holidays.

7. Apprentices

- 7.1 The terms of this award apply to apprentices, including adult apprentices, except where otherwise stated. Apprentices may be engaged in trades or occupations that are provided for in clause 7—Apprentices where declared or recognised by an apprenticeship authority. Subject to appropriate State legislation, an employer will not employ an unapprenticed junior in a trade or occupation provided for in clause 7—Apprentices.
- 7.2 For the purposes of clause 7—Apprentices, **apprenticeship authority** means a State or Territory training authority with the responsibility for the apprenticeship.
- 7.3 In any State in which any statute or regulation relating to apprentices is in force, that statute and regulation will operate in that State provided that the provisions of the statute or regulation are not inconsistent with this award in which case the provisions of this award will apply.
- 7.4 An apprentice may be engaged under a training contract approved by the relevant apprenticeship authority, provided the qualification outcome specified in the training contract is consistent with that established for the vocation in the training package determined from time to time by Manufacturing Skills Australia or its successors and endorsed by the National Skills Standards Council or its successor. Such apprenticeships include but are not limited to the following trades: **Boilermaker**

and/or structural steel tradesperson, Electrical mechanic, Engineering Tradesperson (Mechanical), Engineering Tradesperson (Fabrication), Engineering Tradesperson (Electrical/Electronic), Higher Engineering Tradesperson and Advanced Engineering Tradesperson, Moulder and/or coremaker (jobbing), Wood machinist—1st class. An apprentice may also be engaged where the qualification outcome specified in the training contract is consistent with the qualifications established for electrical vocations within the relevant electrical/utilities training package and endorsed by the National Skills Standards Council or its successor.

7.5 In respect of apprenticeships for Higher Engineering Tradesperson and Advanced Engineering Tradesperson:

- (a) The classification on completion of a Higher Engineering Tradesperson apprenticeship is as a minimum the C10/V5 level. Where the apprentice is offered employment at the completion of their apprenticeship and such employment is in the area of the apprenticeship training, such that they are exercising or will be required to exercise the skills and knowledge gained during their apprenticeship necessary for a C7 level of work, they must be classified at the C7 level.
- (b) The training program for each Higher Engineering Tradesperson apprentice is to be consistent with the minimum training requirement for the classification of the C7 level Special Class Tradesperson, as determined from time to time by Manufacturing Skills Australia and as endorsed by the National Skills Standards Council. Each apprentice must also complete the requirements for a trade certificate as defined in clause 7.4, as part of the training program leading to the completion of the Certificate IV in Engineering.
- (c) The training program for each Advanced Engineering Tradesperson apprentice is to be consistent with the minimum training requirement for the classification of the C5/V10 level Advanced Engineering Tradesperson, as determined from time to time by Manufacturing Skills Australia and as endorsed by the National Skills Standard Council. Each apprentice must also complete the requirements for a trade certificate as defined in clause 7.4, and a Certificate IV in Engineering as part of the training program leading to the completion of the Diploma of Engineering.

7.6 Apprenticeships under this award are competency based. The actual time taken to complete an apprenticeship will therefore vary depending upon factors such as the intensity of training and the variety of work experience.

7.7 The nominal period of the apprenticeship is four years, however this period may be varied as follows:

- (a) to make up for lost time as set out in clause 7.16; and/or
- (b) with the approval of the relevant State or Territory apprenticeship authority, to recognise prior learning including vocational education and training in school, pre-apprenticeship programs and other prior learning, the nominal period may be shortened to reflect the proportion of the competencies already acquired; and/or

- (c) it may be extended by up to six months in Stage 3 and 12 months in Stage 4 in the Advanced Engineering Tradesperson apprenticeship where required to complete the competencies.

7.8 Notwithstanding the nominal period, the apprenticeship is completed in a shorter period when:

- (a) the qualification specified in the training contract is successfully completed; and
- (b) the apprentice has the necessary practical experience to achieve competency in the skills covered by the training contract, provided that the determination as to whether this condition has been met must be by agreement between the registered training organisation, the employer and the apprentice and where there is a disagreement concerning this matter the matter may be referred to the relevant State/Territory apprenticeship authority for determination; and
- (c) the requirements of the relevant State/Territory apprenticeship authority and any requirements of Manufacturing Skills Australia with respect to demonstration of competency and any minimum necessary work experience requirements are met; and
- (d) with respect to trades where there are additional licensing or regulatory requirements under State legislation, when these requirements are met.

7.9 An apprenticeship may be cancelled or suspended only in accordance with the requirements of the training contract and the requirements of State legislation and the apprenticeship authority.

7.10 The probationary period of an apprentice is as set out in the training contract consistent with the requirement of the apprenticeship authority and with State legislation but must not exceed three months.

7.11 Apprentices conditions of employment

- (a) Except as provided in clause 7—Apprentices or where otherwise stated, all conditions of employment specified in this award apply to apprentices.
 - (i) An apprentice is entitled to be released from work without loss of continuity of employment and to payment of the appropriate wages to attend any training and assessment specified in, or associated with, the training contract.
 - (ii) Time spent by an apprentice, in attending any training and assessment specified in, or associated with, the training contract is to be regarded as time worked for the employer for the purposes of calculating the apprentice's wages and determining the apprentice's employment conditions. This clause operates subject to the provisions of Schedule F—School-based Apprentices.
 - (iii) The notice of termination provisions of the NES apply to apprentices. The redundancy provisions of the NES do not apply to apprentices.

(b) Payment of fees and textbooks

- (i)** Any costs associated with standard fees for prescribed courses and prescribed textbooks (excluding those textbooks which are available in the employer's technical library) incurred by an employee in connection with training specified in, or associated with, the training contract must be reimbursed to the apprentice within six months from the commencement of the apprenticeship or the relevant stage of the apprenticeship or within three months of the apprentice commencing training with the Registered Training Organisation (RTO), whichever is the later, unless there is unsatisfactory progress;
- (ii)** Direct payment of the fees and textbooks, within six months from the commencement of the apprenticeship or the relevant stage of the apprenticeship, by an employer to the training provider satisfies the requirement for reimbursement in clause 7.11(b)(i) above.

(c) Travel payment for block release training

- (i)** Where an apprentice is required to attend block release training for training identified in or associated with their training contract, and such training requires an overnight stay, the employer must pay for the excess reasonable travel costs incurred by the apprentice in the course of travelling to and from such training. Provided that this clause will not apply where the apprentice could attend an alternate RTO and the use of the more distant RTO is not agreed between the employer and the apprentice.
- (ii)** For the purposes of this clause excess reasonable travel costs includes the total cost of reasonable transportation (including transportation of tools where required), accommodation costs incurred while travelling (where necessary) and reasonable expenses incurred while travelling, including meals, which exceed those incurred in travelling to and from work. For the purposes of this clause excess travel costs do not include payment for travelling time or expenses incurred while not travelling to and from block release training.
- (iii)** The amount payable by an employer under this clause may be reduced by an amount the apprentice is eligible to receive for travel costs to attend block release training under a Government apprentice assistance scheme. This will only apply if an apprentice has either received such assistance or their employer has advised them in writing of the availability of such assistance.

7.12 The ordinary hours of employment of apprentices in each enterprise are not to exceed those of the relevant tradesperson.

7.13 The minimum wages applying to apprenticeships are dealt with in clause 17—Apprentice minimum wages and no apprentice is to work under a system of payment by results.

7.14 In order to undertake trade training in accordance with clauses 7.4 and 7.5 a person must be a party to a training contract in accordance with the requirements of the

apprenticeship authority or State legislation. The employer must provide and/or provide access to training consistent with the training contract without loss of pay.

7.15 An apprentice under the age of 18 years is not required to work overtime or shiftwork unless such an apprentice so desires. No apprentice, except in an emergency, is to work or be required to work overtime or shiftwork at times which would prevent their attendance in training consistent with their training contract.

7.16 Extension of nominal term

- (a) The nominal period of the apprenticeship is extended by an additional day for each day of absence during each year of the apprenticeship, except in respect of absences due to annual leave or long service leave.
- (b) Periods of paid personal/carer's leave which total ten or less days in any apprenticeship year do not extend the nominal period of the apprenticeship.
- (c) Except where the apprentice meets the competency requirements to progress to the next stage as set out in clause 17.7 the following year of their apprenticeship does not commence until the additional days have been worked. However, any time that has been worked by the apprentice in excess of their ordinary hours must be credited to the apprentice when calculating the amount of additional time that needs to be worked in the relevant year.

7.17 Any person engaged as an apprentice as at 1 January 2010 is deemed to be an apprentice for all purposes of this award until the completion or cancellation of their apprenticeship training contract.

7.18 Competency based progression

- (a) For the purpose of competency based wage progression in clauses 17 and 18 an apprentice will be paid at the relevant wage rate for the next stage of their apprenticeship if:
 - (i) competency has been achieved in the relevant proportion of the total units of competency specified in clause 17.7 for that stage of the apprenticeship. The units of competency which are included in the relevant proportion must be consistent with any requirements in the training plan; and
 - (ii) any requirements of the relevant State/Territory apprenticeship authority and any additional requirements of the relevant training package with respect to the demonstration of competency and any minimum necessary work experience requirements are met; and
 - (iii) either:
 - (A) the RTO, the employer and the apprentice agree that the abovementioned requirements have been met; or
 - (B) the employer has been provided with written advice that the RTO has assessed that the apprentice meets the abovementioned requirements in respect to all the relevant units of competency and the employer has not advised the RTO and the apprentice of any

disagreement with that assessment within 21 days of receipt of the advice.

- (b) If the employer disagrees with the assessment of the RTO referred to in clause 7.18(a)(iii)(B) above, and the dispute cannot be resolved by agreement between the RTO, the employer and the apprentice, the matter may be referred to the relevant State/Territory apprenticeship authority for determination. If the matter is not capable of being dealt with by such authority it may be dealt with in accordance with the dispute resolution clause in this award. For the avoidance of doubt, disputes concerning other apprenticeship progression provisions of this award may be dealt with in accordance with the dispute resolution clause.
- (c) For the purposes of this clause, the training package containing the qualification specified in the contract of training for the apprenticeship, sets out the assessment requirements for the attainment of the units of competency that make up the qualification. The definition of “competency” utilised for the purpose of the training packages and for the purpose of this clause is the consistent application of knowledge and skill to the standard of performance required in the workplace. It embodies the ability to transfer and apply skills and knowledge to new situations and environments.
- (d) The apprentice will be paid the wage rate referred to in clause 7.18(a) from the first full pay period to commence on or after the date on which an agreement or determination is reached in accordance with clause 7.18(a)(iii) or on a date as determined under the dispute resolution process in clause 7.18(b).

8. School-based apprentices

For provisions applying to school-based apprentices see Schedule F.

9. Cadets

9.1 Cadets in the technical field

The terms of this award apply to cadets in the technical field except where otherwise stated in this award. A **cadet** is a person without prior experience in the Manufacturing and Associated Industries and Occupations or other relevant experience who is employed under a contract of training with an employer to complete the training qualification for the C3/V12 level, being an advanced diploma or equivalent. The cadet must have achieved **50%** of the modules required for the qualification as a full-time or part-time student before commencing employment with the employer.

9.2 Technology Cadets

- (a) For the purposes of this clause:
 - (i) **Approved Training** means training which is specified in the training plan which is part of the training contract registered with the relevant State or Territory Training Authority. It includes training and assessment undertaken both on and off-the-job in a Technology Cadetship and

involves formal instruction, both theoretical and practical, supervised practice and assessment. The training reflects the requirements of the Technology Cadetship from the relevant Training Package endorsed by the National Skills Standards Council and leads to a qualification under the Australian Qualifications Framework.

- (ii) **Technology Cadet** means a person who is undertaking a Technology Cadetship. The person is a signatory to a training contract registered with the relevant State or Territory Training Authority and is involved in paid work and structured training which may be on or off-the-job. A Technology Cadet does not include a person who already has the qualification to which the Technology Cadetship is directed or a person engaged as an apprentice, trainee or cadet under this award.
- (iii) **Relevant State or Territory legislation** means the following legislation or any successor legislation:
- In the **Australian Capital Territory**, the *Vocational Education and Training Act 1995* (ACT).
 - In **New South Wales**, the *Apprenticeship and Traineeship Act 2001* (NSW).
 - In the **Northern Territory**, the *Northern Territory Employment and Training Authority Act 1991* (NT).
 - In **Queensland**, the *Training and Employment Act 2000* (Qld).
 - In **South Australia**, the *Training and Skills Development Act 2008* (SA).
 - In **Tasmania**, the *Vocational Education and Training Act 1994* (Tas).
 - In **Victoria**, the *Vocational Education and Training Act 1990* (Vic).
 - In **Western Australia**, the *Vocational Education and Training Act 1996* (WA).
- (iv) **Relevant State or Territory Training Authority** means the bodies in the relevant State or Territory which exercise approval powers in relation to Technology Cadetships and register training agreements under the relevant State or Territory vocational education and training legislation.
- (v) **Technology Cadetship** means a system of employment and training which has been approved by the relevant State or Territory Training Authority and endorsed by the National Skills Standards Council at AQF 3 Level or above and that leads to a qualification as a Technology Cadet in a National Training Package which is consistent with that determined from time to time by Manufacturing Skills Australia or a predecessor body.
- (vi) **Training contract** means a contract for employment and training in a Technology Cadetship made between an employer and a Technology Cadet which is approved by and/or registered with the relevant State or Territory Training Authority.

(vii) **Training Package** means the competency standards, assessment guidelines and Australian Qualifications Framework qualifications endorsed for an industry or enterprise by the National Training Quality Committee and placed on the National Training Information Service with the approval of Commonwealth, State and Territory Ministers responsible for vocational education and training.

(viii) **Training Plan** means a program of training which forms part of the training contract registered with the relevant State or Territory Training Authority.

- (b) The Technology Cadetship consists of four Stages. A Technology Cadet may enter the Technology Cadetship at Stage 1, 2, 3 or 4 provided that the entry requirements for the relevant stage are met. Progression through the Technology Cadetship is competency based. Where on-the-job training, off-the-job training and assessment has been successfully completed for a particular stage, by agreement between the employer and the Technology Cadet in writing and with the consent of the relevant State or Territory Training Authority, the relevant stage of the Cadetship will conclude. The entry and progression requirements and the maximum duration for each stage of the Technology Cadetship are set out in the following table:

Classification	Entry and progression requirements	Maximum duration of technology cadetship
Technology Cadet - Stage 1	A person at this level is undertaking a contract of training as a Technology Cadet at AQF 3 Level. At the conclusion of this Stage the person will have successfully completed the qualification.	Subject to clause 9.2(d) Stage 1 of the Technology Cadetship must not exceed 12 months. Provided that, where there has been unsatisfactory progress in training, this period may be extended by agreement between the employer and the Technology Cadet to 18 months.
Technology Cadet - Stage 2	A person at this level is undertaking a contract of training as a Technology Cadet at AQF 4 Level. At the conclusion of this Stage the person will have successfully completed the qualification.	<p>Where a Technology Cadet has completed Stage 1 and progresses to Stage 2 then, subject to clause 9.2(d), Stage 2 of the Technology Cadetship must not exceed one year. Provided that, where there has been unsatisfactory progress in training, this period may be extended by agreement between the employer and the Technology Cadet to 18 months.</p> <p>Where a Technology Cadet enters the Cadetship at Stage 2 then, subject to clause 9.2(d), Stage 2 of the Technology Cadetship must not exceed two years. Provided that, where there has been unsatisfactory progress in training, this period may be extended by agreement between the employer and the Technology Cadet to two and a half years.</p>

Classification	Entry and progression requirements	Maximum duration of technology cadetship
Technology Cadet – Stage 3	A person at this level is undertaking a contract of training as a Technology Cadet at AQF 5 Level. At the conclusion of this stage the person will have successfully completed the qualification.	Where a Technology Cadet has completed Stage 2 and progresses to Stage 3 then, subject to clause 9.2(d), Stage 3 of the Technology Cadetship must not exceed one year. Provided that, where there has been unsatisfactory progress in training, this period may be extended by agreement between the employer and the Technology Cadet to 18 months.
		Where a Technology Cadet enters the Cadetship at Stage 3 then, subject to clause 9.2(d), Stage 3 of the Technology Cadetship must not exceed three years. Provided that, where there has been unsatisfactory progress in training, this period may be extended by agreement between the employer and the Technology Cadet to three and a half years.
Technology Cadet – Stage 4	A person at this level is undertaking a contract of training as a Technology Cadet at AQF 6 Level. At the conclusion of this Stage the person will have successfully completed the qualification.	Where a Technology Cadet has completed Stage 3 and progresses to Stage 4 then, subject to clause 9.2(d), Stage 4 of the Technology Cadetship must not exceed one year. Provided that, where there has been unsatisfactory progress in training, this period may be extended by agreement between the employer and the Technology Cadet to 18 months.
		Where a Technology Cadet enters the Cadetship at Stage 4 then, subject to clause 9.2(d), Stage 4 of the Technology Cadetship must not exceed four years. Provided that, where there has been unsatisfactory progress in training, this period may be extended by agreement between the employer and the Technology Cadet to four and a half years.

- (c) Over the period of the Technology Cadetship, the Technology Cadet will spend an average of at least **20%** of their time in approved training.
- (d) Subject to clause 9.2(b), a Technology Cadet may be required by the employer to serve an additional day for each day of absence, except in respect of absences due to annual leave, long service leave, paid bereavement leave and public holidays. Any overtime that has been worked by the Technology Cadet must be credited when calculating the additional time that needs to be worked. The next stage of the Technology Cadetship must not commence until the additional days have been worked. Further, a person is not entitled to the wage rate for the next year within a stage of the Technology Cadetship until the additional days have been worked.
- (e) Reasonable overtime may be worked by the Technology Cadet provided that it does not affect the successful completion of the approved training. No

Technology Cadet is to work overtime or shiftwork on their own unless consistent with the provisions of this award.

- (f) No Technology Cadet is to work shiftwork unless the shiftwork makes satisfactory provision for approved training.
- (g) A Technology Cadet is subject to a satisfactory probation period of up to three months which may be reduced at the discretion of the employer.
- (h) Technology Cadets who fail to either complete the Technology Cadetship or who cannot for any reason be placed in full-time employment with the employer on successful completion of the Technology Cadetship are not entitled to notice of termination or redundancy pay. Provided that, where a Technology Cadet was employed by an employer immediately prior to becoming a Technology Cadet with that employer and the employer terminates the employment of such Technology Cadet, they must receive:
 - notice of termination in accordance with the NES if their employment is terminated for a reason other than redundancy; or
 - notice of termination and redundancy pay in accordance with the NES if their employment is terminated by reason of redundancy.
- (i) Subject to clause 9.2(h) termination of employment of Technology Cadets is dealt with in the training contract or in the relevant State or Territory training legislation. An employer initiating such action must give written notice to the Technology Cadet at the time the action is commenced.
- (j) The Technology Cadet is permitted to be absent from work without loss of continuity of employment and/or wages to attend the approved training. Where the employment of a Technology Cadet by an employer is continued after the completion of the Technology Cadetship, the Technology Cadetship period must be counted as service for the purposes of any relevant award or legislative entitlements.

10. Trainees

- 10.1** The terms of this award apply to trainees covered by the National Training Wage provisions, trainees in the technical field and trainee engineers and trainee scientists, except where otherwise stated in this award.
- 10.2** A trainee in the technical field must be allowed reasonable time (not exceeding an average of eight hours per week during a school term) for the purpose of attending classes in connection with the appropriate certificate course on the same basis as apprentices in the establishment are allowed time off for day time schooling. For this purpose, years of experience as a trainee is equivalent to years of apprenticeship.
- 10.3** The course of study each year for a trainee engineer or trainee scientist must be agreed between the employer and trainee so that the maximum attendance at the approved educational institution does not exceed three nights per week of two hours' lecture or three hours' practical work each. All other time necessary for attendance at the approved educational institution to permit compliance with the syllabus thereat must be allowed off during the day without loss of pay. In the event of disagreement

between the employer and the trainee regarding the course of study for any year, the recommendation of the educational institution must be accepted.

10.4 Payment of fees

- (a)** A trainee who attends in any one year not less than 80% of the maximum possible attendances of the approved course at the training institution at which they are pursuing a course of study, and passes the annual examinations in that year, or if there is no examination, receives a satisfactory report, will be reimbursed by the employer all fees paid by the employee for that course during that year. In the case of a trainee who complies with the foregoing requirement for attendances and who passes or receives a satisfactory report in a proportion of the subjects taken by the employee in any year, the employer will reimburse a like proportion of fees.
- (b)** The employer will not, however, be required to reimburse fees or a proportion thereof for more than one year in excess of the period prescribed by the training institution for the approved course.
- (c)** Provided that, where a trainee is in the employ of more than one employer in any school year, then the last such employer will be liable only for the payment of fees pro rata to the period of employment with that employer.

10.5 A trainee engineer or trainee scientist is not obliged to work overtime when it interferes with studies and no trainee engineer or trainee scientist is to be employed on shiftwork except at their own request during academic vacations.

10.6 A trainee engineer or trainee scientist is to be allowed reasonable leave of absence without loss of pay for the purpose of sitting for examination in any subject or subjects being studied for the year.

11. Unapprenticed juniors

The terms of this award apply to unapprenticed juniors except where otherwise stated in this award.

12. Classifications

Parties agreed clause 12—Classifications should be relocated to clause 16—Minimum wages at clause 16.4. Note: clause numbering will change in final version of Award as this clause will be removed (i.e. clause 12—Classifications now appears at 16.3) and subsequent clauses will be renumbered.

Part 3—Hours of Work

13. Ordinary hours of work and rostering

13.1 Hours of work

- (a) Maximum weekly hours and requests for flexible working arrangements are provided for in the NES.
- (b) Facilitative provisions in clauses 13.2 to 13.7 operate in conjunction with clause 5.3 or clause 5.4 as relevant.

13.2 Ordinary hours of work—day workers

- (a) Subject to clause 13.7, the ordinary hours of work for day workers are an average of 38 per week but not exceeding 152 hours in 28 days.
- (b) The ordinary hours for day workers will not exceed 8 per day unless otherwise agreed in accordance with clause 13.7.
- (c) The ordinary hours of work may be worked on any day or all of the days of the week, Monday to Friday. The days on which ordinary hours are worked may include Saturday and Sunday subject to agreement between the employer and the majority of employees concerned. Agreement in this respect may also be reached between the employer and an individual employee.
- (d) The ordinary hours of work are to be worked continuously, except for meal breaks, at the discretion of the employer between 6.00 am and 6.00 pm. The spread of hours (6.00 am to 6.00 pm) may be altered by up to one hour at either end of the spread, by agreement between an employer and the majority of employees concerned or, in appropriate circumstances, between the employer and an individual employee. Any change to rosters or hours of work is subject to the consultative provisions in clause 41.2.
- (e) Any work performed outside the spread of hours must be paid for at overtime rates. However, any work performed by an employee prior to the spread of hours which is continuous with ordinary hours for the purpose, for example, of getting the plant in a state of readiness for production work is to be regarded as part of the 38 ordinary hours of work.
- (f) Where agreement is reached in accordance with clause 13.2(c), the rate to be paid to a day worker for ordinary time worked is:
 - (i) between midnight on Friday and midnight on Saturday—**150%** of the ordinary hourly rate; and
 - (ii) between midnight on Saturday and midnight on Sunday—**200%** of the ordinary hourly rate.
- (g) A day worker required to work on a public holiday must be paid for a minimum of three hours' work at the rate of **250%** of the ordinary hourly rate. The **250%** rate must be paid to the employee until the employee is relieved from duty.

13.3 Ordinary hours of work—continuous shiftworkers—employees not engaged in vehicle manufacturing

- (a) **Continuous shiftwork** means worked carried on with consecutive shifts of employees throughout the 24 hours of each of at least six consecutive days without interruption except for breakdowns or meal breaks or due to unavoidable causes beyond the control of the employer.
- (b) Subject to clause 13.3(d), the ordinary hours of continuous shiftworkers are, at the discretion of the employer, to average 38 hours per week inclusive of meal breaks and must not exceed 152 hours in 28 consecutive days. Continuous shiftworkers are entitled to a 20 minute meal break on each shift which must be counted as time worked. **Any change to rosters or hours of work is subject to the consultative provisions in clause 41.2.**
- (c) The ordinary hours for continuous shiftworkers will not exceed 8 per shift unless otherwise agreed in accordance with clause 13.7.
- (d) By agreement between the employer and the majority of employees concerned, a roster system may operate on the basis that the weekly average of 38 ordinary hours ~~is~~ **are** achieved over a period which exceeds 28 consecutive days but does not exceed 12 months.
- (e) Except at the regular changeover of shifts, an employee must not be required to work more than one shift in each 24 hours.

13.4 Ordinary hours of work—continuous work shifts—employees engaged in vehicle manufacturing

- (a) For the purposes of clause 13.4 and clause 30.1, **continuous work** means work carried out on consecutive shifts throughout the 24 hours of each of at least five consecutive days without interruption except during breakdowns or meal breaks (if any).
- (b) An employee working on continuous work shifts will work up to six shifts per week, as may be required.
- (c) The ordinary hours of shiftworkers on continuous work will average 38 per week, inclusive of crib time, and will not exceed 152 hours in 28 consecutive days. Where the employer and the majority of employees agree, a roster system may operate on the basis that the weekly average of 38 hours is achieved over a period which exceeds 28 consecutive days.
- (d) Subject to clause 13.4(e), continuous shiftworkers will work such times as the employer may require.
- (e) A shift will consist of not more than 10 hours, inclusive of crib time. Provided that:
 - (i) in any arrangement of ordinary working hours where the ordinary working hours are to exceed eight on any shift the arrangement of hours will be subject to agreement between the employer and the majority of employees in the plant or work section or sections concerned;

- (ii) except at the regular change over of shifts an employee will not be required to work more than one shift in each 24 hours;
- (iii) 20 minutes will be allowed to shiftworkers each shift for crib which will be counted as time worked; and
- (iv) the ordinary hours will be worked continuously except for meal breaks.

13.5 Ordinary hours of work—non-continuous shiftworkers—employees not engaged in vehicle manufacturing

- (a) Subject to clause 13.5(c), the ordinary hours of work for non-continuous shiftworkers are an average of 38 per week and must not exceed 152 hours in 28 consecutive days.
- (b) The ordinary hours for non-continuous shiftworkers will not exceed 8 per shift unless otherwise agreed in accordance with clause 13.7.
- (c) By agreement between the employer and the majority of employees concerned, a roster system may operate on the basis that the weekly average of 38 ordinary hours is allowed over a period which exceeds 28 consecutive days but does not exceed 12 months.
- (d) The ordinary hours of work must be worked continuously, except for meal breaks, at the discretion of the employer.
- (e) Except at changeover of shifts, an employee must not be required to work more than one shift in each 24 hours.

13.6 Ordinary hours of work—other than continuous work shifts—employees engaged in vehicle manufacturing

- (a) This clause applies to shiftworkers not on continuous work as defined in clause 13.4(a).
- (b) Subject to clause 13.6(e), the ordinary hours of work will be an average of 38 per week but not exceeding 152 days within a period not exceeding 28 consecutive days.
- (c) Provided that where the employer and the majority of employees agree a roster system may operate on the basis that the weekly average of 38 ordinary hours is achieved over a period which exceeds 28 consecutive days.
- (d) The ordinary hours will be worked continuously except for meal breaks at the discretion of the employer. An employee will not be required to work for more than five hours without a break for a meal.
- (e) Except at regular changeover of shifts, an employee will not be required to work more than one shift in each 24 hours provided that:
 - (i) the ordinary hours of work prescribed above will not exceed 10 hours on any day; and
 - (ii) in any arrangement of ordinary working hours where the ordinary working hours are to exceed eight on any shift the arrangement of hours

will be subject to agreement between the employer and the majority of employees in the plant or work station or sections concerned.

13.7 Methods of arranging ordinary working hours

- (a) Subject to the employer's right to fix the daily hours of work for day workers from time to time within the spread of hours referred to in clause 13.2(d) and the employer's right to fix the commencing and finishing time of shifts from time to time, the arrangement of ordinary working hours must be by agreement between the employer and the majority of employees in the enterprise or part of the enterprise concerned. This does not preclude the employer reaching agreement with individual employees about how their working hours are to be arranged. **Any change to rosters or hours of work is subject to the consultative provisions in clause 41.2.**
- (b) The matters on which agreement may be reached include:
 - (i) how the hours are to be averaged within a work cycle established in accordance with clauses 13.2, 13.3 and 13.5;
 - (ii) the duration of the work cycle for day workers provided that the duration does not exceed three months;
 - (iii) rosters which specify the starting and finishing times of working hours;
 - (iv) a period of notice of a rostered day off which is less than four weeks;
 - (v) substitution of rostered days off;
 - (vi) accumulation of rostered days off;
 - (vii) arrangements which allow for flexibility in relation to the taking of rostered days off; and
 - (viii) any arrangements of ordinary hours which exceed eight hours in any day.
- (c) **Twelve hour days or shifts**

By agreement between an employer and the majority of employees in the enterprise or part of the enterprise concerned, 12 hour days or shifts may be introduced subject to:

 - (i) proper health monitoring procedures being introduced;
 - (ii) suitable roster arrangements being made;
 - (iii) proper supervision being provided;
 - (iv) adequate breaks being provided; and
 - (v) a trial or review process being jointly implemented by the employer and the employees or their representatives.
- (d) Payment for work on other than a rostered shift is in accordance with clause 29.2(f).

13.8 Daylight saving

For work performed which spans the start or finish of a system of daylight saving as prescribed by relevant State or territory legislation, an employee will be paid according to adjusted time (i.e. the time on the clock at the beginning of work and the time on the clock at the end of work).

13.9 Make up time

- (a) An employee may elect, with the consent of the employer, to work make up time under which the employee takes time off during ordinary hours, and works those hours at a later time, during the spread of ordinary hours provided in this award.
- (b) An employee on shiftwork may elect, with the consent of their employer, to work make up time under which the employee takes time off during ordinary hours and works those hours at a later time, at the rate which would have been applicable to the hours taken off.

14. Breaks

14.1 Meal breaks

An employee must not be required to work for more than five hours without an unpaid meal break of a minimum of 20 minutes except in the following circumstances:

- (a) in cases where canteen or other facilities are limited to the extent that meal breaks must be staggered and as a result it is not practicable for all employees to take a meal break within five hours, an employee must not be required to work for more than six hours without ~~a break for~~ a meal break; or
- (b) by agreement between an employer and an individual employee or the majority of employees in an enterprise or part of an enterprise concerned, an employee or employees may be required to work in excess of five hours but not more than six hours ~~at the applicable rate of pay~~ without a meal break. **Employees will be paid for the sixth hour at the rate applying immediately prior to the end of the fifth hour.**

14.2 Paid meal breaks—continuous shiftworkers

Continuous shiftworkers are entitled to a 20 minute paid meal break in accordance with clause 13.3(b).

14.3 Paid breaks

Employees engaged in the technical field of work, technical workers, tracers and draughtspersons, production planners, trainee engineers and trainee scientists must be allowed a paid 10 minute morning tea rest period at a time fixed by the employer.

14.4 Timing of taking breaks

- (a) The time of taking a scheduled meal break or rest break by one or more employees may be altered by an employer if it is necessary to do so in order to meet a requirement for continuity of operations.
- (b) An employer may stagger the time of taking meal and rest breaks to meet operational requirements.

14.5 Working through meal breaks

- (a) Subject to clause 14.1, an employee must work during meal breaks at the **rate of pay applying to the employee immediately prior to the scheduled meal break** ~~applicable rate of pay~~ whenever instructed to do so for the purpose of making good any breakdown of plant or for routine maintenance of plant which can only be done while the plant is idle.
- (b) Except as otherwise provided in clause 14—Breaks and except where any alternative arrangement is entered into by agreement between the employer and the employee concerned, **an employee** ~~employees~~ must be paid **150%** ~~of the applicable rate of pay for all work done during meal hours and thereafter until a meal break is taken.~~ **as follows for all work done during meal hours and thereafter until a meal break is taken:**
 - (i) **except in circumstances referred to in clauses 14.5(b)(ii), (iii) and (iv): 150% of the ordinary hourly rate;**
 - (ii) **where the unpaid meal break is during ordinary time on a Saturday or Sunday: 200% of the ordinary hourly rate;**
 - (iii) **where the unpaid meal break is during ordinary time on a shift on which the employee is entitled to a 15% loading: 165% of the ordinary hourly rate;**
 - (iv) **where the meal break is during ordinary time on shift where the employee is entitled a 30% loading: 180% of the ordinary hourly rate.**

14.6 Special provisions for vehicle manufacturing employees

- (a) Where rostered breaks are available such breaks may be staggered for particular work sections within one hour of the break being scheduled.
- (b) **Crib break**
 - (i) An employee working on a Sunday or a public holiday for more than nine and a half hours will at the end of eight hours be allowed a crib break of 20 minutes which will be paid for at the minimum rate.
 - (ii) An employee working on a Sunday or a public holiday for more than eight hours will be allowed a crib break of 20 minutes without deduction of pay after each four hours worked beyond eight hours providing the employee continues work after such crib break.
 - (iii) An employer and employee may agree to a variation of this subclause to meet the circumstances of the work in hand; provided that the employer

will not be required to make any payment in respect of any time allowed in excess of 20 minutes.

(c) Meal break—technical field employees

In respect of vehicle manufacturing employees engaged in the technical field, the meal break must be not less than 30 minutes or more than one hour and must be between the hours of 11.30 am and 2.00 pm Monday to Friday for day workers. The time will be as agreed between the employer and the majority of employees.

(d) Morning and afternoon tea—technical field employees

(i) Employees are entitled to a 10 minute morning tea rest period at a time fixed by the employer.

(ii) Employees are permitted to partake of a refreshment in the afternoon without interrupting work.

15. Ship trials

For an employee in the technical field engaged on ship trials, whether at wharf or in harbour or at sea, the following provisions also apply:

15.1 The employee's time for the purpose of computing the time of trial duty is deemed to commence at the time the employee is instructed to be on board the vessel, provided the employee is ready to go aboard at that time, and is deemed to terminate at the time the employee gains contact with the shore. Where such contact is obtained by the vessel's mooring at a wharf, contact is deemed to be gained when the gangway is lowered after mooring.

15.2 The maximum number of continuous hours the employee is required to be on duty is 12 hours. Should trials be planned for a longer duration a relief shift must be arranged before leaving wharf.

15.3 A reasonable time, not less than 30 minutes, or as otherwise agreed on, must be allowed for each meal. Lunch must be provided and the time of lunch must be, as far as practicable, between 12 noon and 2.00 pm. If the employee is required to be on board before 7.00 am breakfast must be provided, and if the trial continues after 6.00 pm a light dinner must be provided. Where shifts are being worked, adequate meals must be provided for each shift.

15.4 The employee must be paid **25% extra** ~~125%~~ of the applicable hourly rate for time on duty while the vessel is at wharf and **50% extra** ~~150%~~ of the applicable hourly rate for time on duty while the vessel is in harbour or at sea.

Part 4—Wages, Allowances and Classifications

16. Minimum wages

16.1 Adult employee minimum wages

- (a) An adult employee, other than one specified in clause 16.1(d), within a level specified in the following table will be paid not less than the rate ~~per week~~ assigned to the appropriate classification, as defined in Schedule A—Classification Structure and Definitions and **Schedule B— Vehicle Manufacturing Employees—Skill Level Definitions—Trades, Non-trades and Post-trades**, ~~in which the employee is working:~~

Classification level	Minimum weekly wage	Minimum hourly wage
	\$	\$
C14	672.70	17.70
V1		
C13	692.10	18.21
V2		
C12	718.60	18.91
V3		
C11	743.30	19.56
V4		
C10	783.30	20.61
V5		
C9	807.70	21.26
V6		
C8	832.30	21.90
V7		
C7	854.60	22.49
V8		
C6	897.90	23.63
V9		
C5	916.30	24.11
V10		
C4	940.90	24.76
V11		
C3	990.10	26.06
V12		

Classification level	Minimum weekly wage	Minimum hourly wage
	\$	\$
C2(a) V13	1014.80	26.71
C2(b) V14	1059.10	27.87
Driver classifications		
D1	753.20	19.82
D2	762.30	20.06
D3	771.50	20.30
D4	782.40	20.59

See Schedule B for a summary of hourly rates of pay including overtime and penalties.

- (b) The rates in clause 16.1(a) prescribe minimum classification rates only. Employees may also be entitled to allowances, loadings or penalties under other clauses of this award.
- (c) For the purposes of clause 16.1(a), any entitlement to a minimum wage expressed to be by the week means any entitlement which an employee would receive for performing 38 hours of work.
- (d) The following adult employees are not entitled to the minimum wages set out in the table in clause 16.1(a):
 - (i) an adult apprentice (see clause 18—Adult apprentice minimum wages);
 - (ii) a trainee (see clause 20—Trainee minimum wages);
 - (iii) an employee receiving a supported wage (see Schedule E—Supported Wage System); and
 - (iv) an employee covered by clauses 16.1(f), (g) or (h) and (i).
- (e) **Phasing in of wage rates for employees without relevant work experience**

An employee who possesses the appropriate level of academic qualifications and who otherwise meets the requirements of the relevant classification definition but who is without prior experience in the Manufacturing and Associated Industries and Occupations or other relevant work experience must be paid in accordance with the following formula:

Qualification	Years of relevant experience	% of relevant classification level
Advanced Certificate or National Diploma	0	77% of C5/V10 level
	1	85% of C5/V10 level

Qualification	Years of relevant experience	% of relevant classification level
	2	96% of C5/V10 level
	3	100% of C5/V10 level
Associate Diploma or National Advanced Diploma	0	72% of C3/V10 level
	1	79% of C3/V12 level
	2	89% of C3/V12 level
	3	93% of C3/V12 level
	4	100% of C3/V12 level

- (f) An employee commencing work in the technical field who is without the appropriate qualification for the C10/V5 level or above (or who is undertaking training in the qualifications prescribed) and who has not met the equivalent standard in accordance with clause 16.1(e) but who otherwise meets the requirements of the relevant classification definition must be paid in accordance with the following formula:

Years of relevant experience	% of C9/V6 level
0	83%
1	88%
2	95%
3	100%

(g) Supervisor/Trainer/Coordinator—Levels I and II

- (i) The minimum hourly wage for a Supervisor/Trainer/Coordinator—Level I is **122%** of the minimum hourly rate paid to the highest technically qualified employee supervised or trained or **104.3%** of the standard rate per hour, whichever is the higher.
- (ii) The minimum hourly wage for a Supervisor/Trainer/Coordinator—Level II is **115%** of the minimum hourly wage paid to the highest paid employee supervised or trained or **113.1%** of the standard rate per hour, whichever is the higher.

(h) Annualised salary arrangement for Supervisor/Trainer/Coordinator—Levels I and II

- (i) Notwithstanding clause 16.1(g), an employer and an individual employee who is a Supervisor/Trainer/Coordinator Level I or II (as defined in (d)(i) and (d)(ii) of the definition of the supervisor/ trainer/coordinator field in Schedule I—Definitions) may agree to implement an annualised salary arrangement for the employee. The terms the employer and the individual employee may agree to incorporate within the annualised salary arrangement are:

- minimum wages;
 - overtime rates;
 - penalty rates;
 - allowances;
 - leave loadings; and
 - payment of wages.
- (ii) An employee’s salary must be reviewed by the employer at least annually to ensure that the compensation is appropriate having regard to the factors in clause 16.1(h)(i).
- (iii) The employer and the individual employee must have genuinely made the agreement without coercion or duress.
- (iv) The agreement between the employer and the individual employee must:
- be confined to an annualised salary arrangement incorporating any or all of the terms in clause 16.1(h)(i); and
 - not disadvantage the individual employee in relation to the individual employee’s terms and conditions of employment.
- (v) For the purposes of clause 16.1(h)(i) the agreement will be taken not to disadvantage the individual employee in relation to the individual employee’s terms and conditions of employment if:
- the agreement does not result, on balance, in a reduction in the overall terms and conditions of employment of the individual employee under this award and any applicable agreement made under the Act, as those instruments applied as at the date the agreement commences to operate; and
 - the agreement does not result in a reduction in the terms and conditions of employment of the individual employee under any other relevant laws of the Commonwealth or any relevant laws of a State or Territory.
- (vi) The agreement between the employer and the individual employee must also:
- be in writing, name the parties to the agreement and be signed by the employer and the individual employee and, if the employee is under 18 years of age, the employee’s parent or guardian;
 - state each term of this award that the employer and the individual employee have agreed to incorporate within the agreement;
 - detail how the agreement does not disadvantage the individual employee in relation to the individual employee’s terms and conditions of employment; and
 - state the date the agreement commences to operate.

- (vii) The employer must give the individual employee a copy of the agreement and keep the agreement as a time and wages record.
- (viii) An employer seeking to enter into an agreement must provide a written proposal to the employee. Where the employee's understanding of written English is limited the employer must take measures, including translation into an appropriate language, to ensure the employee understands the proposal.
- (ix) The agreement may be terminated:
 - by the employer or the individual employee giving 12 months' notice of termination, in writing, to the other party and the agreement ceasing to operate at the end of the notice period; or
 - at any time, by written agreement between the employer and the individual employee.
- (i) A Supervisor/Trainer/Coordinator—Technical is paid an allowance in accordance with clause 27.1(f).

16.2 Higher duties

- (a) An employee engaged for more than two hours during one day or shift on duties carrying a higher minimum wage than their ordinary classification must be paid the higher minimum wage for such day or shift.
- (b) If engaged on duties carrying a higher minimum wage for two hours or less during one day or shift, an employee must be paid the higher minimum wage for the time so worked.

16.3 Lower grades duty

An employee who is called upon to perform work of a lower grade than that in which they are normally engaged, will suffer no reduction of salary on that account.

16.4 Classifications

- (a) The classification structure and definitions set out in Schedule A—Classification Structure and Definitions and Schedule B—Vehicle Manufacturing Employees—Skill Level Definitions—Trades, Non-trades and Post-trades apply to employees covered by this award except where otherwise stated.
- (b) Employers must advise each employee in writing of the classification and of any subsequent changes to their classification.
- (c) **Procedure for classifying employees covered by the National Metal and Engineering Competency Standards**
 - (i) Procedures for classifying employees under this award are set out in the National Metal and Engineering Competency Standards Implementation Guide (the Guide) distributed by Manufacturing Skills Australia “MSA” (www.mskills.com.au).

- (ii) Where there is agreement to implement the competency standards at the enterprise, or in the event that the classification of an employee is called into question, the issue is to be settled by the application of competency standards in accordance with clause 16.4(c) and the National Metal and Engineering Competency Standards Implementation Guide or by reference to the minimum training requirement in the relevant classification definition, except as provided in clause 16.4(c)(iii).
- (iii) Where the employee has a relevant qualification recognised as a minimum training requirement for the level at which the employee seeks to be classified and the employee is exercising or will be required to exercise the skills and knowledge gained from that qualification necessary for that level of work, the employee must be classified appropriately. It is up to the employer to demonstrate reasons for a qualification that is a recognised minimum training requirement not being regarded as relevant for an employee’s work.
- (iv) Other provisions to be followed where competency standards are being implemented in an enterprise are that:
- management and employee representatives responsible for overseeing the implementation of competency standards within an enterprise must be given access to briefing and/or training courses on the competency standards and their implementation prior to implementation; and
 - such briefings and/or training courses on the competency standards and their implementation must be approved by Manufacturing Skills Australia and can be either a joint briefing delivered by the parties or by one party with the approval of other relevant parties at the enterprise or an approved course delivered by a Manufacturing Skills Australia recognised provider with the approval of the relevant parties at the enterprise, provided that this does not exclude the delivery of additional training or advice by the parties or Manufacturing Skills Australia to an enterprise.
- (v) **Points to be assigned to classification levels**

The points to be assigned to the classification levels under this award are as contained in the following table:

Classification level	Recommended points
C14/V1	-
C13/V2	-
C12/V3	Mandatory units plus 30 points
C11/V4	Mandatory units plus 53 points
C10/V5	Mandatory units plus 76 points
C9/V6	12 additional points above C10/V5
C8/V7	24 additional points above C10/V5
C7 or V8	36 additional points above C10/V5

Classification level	Recommended points
C6/V9	48 additional points above C10/V5
C5/V10	60 additional points above C10/V5 including mandatory units
C4/V11	Standards to be finalised
C3/V12	Standards to be finalised
C2a/V13	Standards to be finalised
C2b/V14	Standards to be finalised

(vi) Where competency requirements for a classification level are not expressed in points, the classification level of an employee is to be determined on the basis of the relative proportion of competencies in the National Metal and Engineering Competency Standards held and utilised by the employee which are equivalent to the specified minimum training requirements in a classification level. Clauses 16.4(c)(i), (ii), (iii) and (iv) also apply.

(d) Procedure for classifying employees not classified by clause 16.4(c)

Where an employee's level is not determined by the Metal and Engineering competency standards, the classification level is to be determined by the classification structure and definitions at Schedule A.1 to A.3 and by reference to the indicative tasks in Schedule A.4.

17. Apprentice minimum wages

17.1 Minimum wage rates for apprentices commencing or continuing an apprenticeship prior to 1 January 2014

For apprentices who commenced their apprenticeship prior to 1 January 2014 the minimum wages for an apprentice, except as provided for in clause 18—Adult apprentice minimum wages, are as set out in the following table, provided that progression through the stages set out in this table is in accordance with clause 17.7:

Relevant attribute of the person at the time of entering into a training agreement as an apprentice								
Stage of apprenticeship	Column 1		Column 2		Column 3		Column 4	
	Completed Year 10 or less		Completed Year 11		Completed Year 12		Adult (i.e. 21 years of age or over)	
	Minimum weekly wage	Minimum hourly wage	Minimum weekly wage	Minimum hourly wage	Minimum weekly wage	Minimum hourly wage	Minimum weekly wage	Minimum hourly wage
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Stage 1	328.99	8.66	378.16	9.95	396.50	10.43	593.60	15.62
Stage 2	430.82	11.34	430.82	11.34	461.40	12.14	672.70	17.70
Stage 3	587.48	15.46	587.48	15.46	587.48	15.46	692.10	18.21
Stage 4	689.30	18.14	689.30	18.14	718.60	18.91	718.60	18.91

- 17.2** The table in clauses 17.1 and 17.6 apply to a Higher Engineering Tradesperson apprentice and an Advanced Engineering Tradesperson apprentice except that in Stage 4 a Higher Engineering Trade apprentice must receive a minimum wage of **88%** of the C7 level and an Advanced Engineering Tradesperson apprentice must receive a minimum wage of **88%** of the C5 level.
- 17.3** An apprentice who completes a Diploma of Engineering qualification must be paid 95% of the C5/V10 level minimum wage in the first year after completion of the apprenticeship and subsequently at the C5/V10 level rate of pay, provided that the qualification is relevant to the employment.
- 17.4** An employee who is under 21 years of age on the expiration of their apprenticeship and thereafter works as a minor in the occupation to which the employee was apprenticed must be paid at not less than the minimum wage prescribed for the classification.
- 17.5** The minimum wages in the table in clause 17.1 are established on the following basis:

Relevant attribute of the person at the time of entering into a training agreement as an apprentice				
Stage of apprenticeship	Column 1	Column 2	Column 3	Column 4
	Completed Year 10 or less	Completed Year 11	Completed Year 12	Adult (i.e. 21 years of age or over)
Stage 1	42% of the C10/V5 trades rate	80% of the unapprenticed junior rate under this award for an 18 year old	The relevant rate applicable to a trainee commencing after year 12 under National Training Wage Skill Level A.	National Training Wage Traineeship Skill Level B exit rate.
Stage 2	55% of the C10/V5 trades rate	55% of the C10/V5 trades rate	The relevant rate applicable to a trainee commencing at year 12 plus one year under National Training Wage Skill Level A.	C14/V1 rate
Stage 3	75% of the C10/V5 trades rate	75% of the C10/V5 trades rate	75% of the C10/V5 rate	C13/V2 rate
Stage 4	88% of the C10/V5 trades rate	88% of the C10/V5 trades rate	C12/V3 rate	C12/V3 rate

16.6 updated as a result of AWR 2015

17.6 Minimum wages for apprentices commencing an apprenticeship on and from 1 January 2014

The minimum wages for apprentices who commenced an apprenticeship on and from 1 January, 2014 except as provided for in clause 18—Adult apprentice minimum wages, are as set out below, provided that progression through the stages set out in this table is in accordance with clause 17.7:

Stage of apprentice-ship	Column 1			Column 2			Column 3		
	Has not completed Year 12			Has completed Year 12			Adult apprentice		
	% of C10/V5	Min weekly wage	Hourly rate	% of C10/V5 or classification	Min weekly wage	Hourly rate	% of C10/V5 or classification	Min weekly wage	Hourly rate
	%	\$	\$	%	\$	\$		\$	\$
1	50	391.65	10.31	55%	430.82	11.34	80%	626.64	16.49
2	60	469.98	12.37	65%	500.53	13.17	C14/V1	672.70	17.70
3	75	587.48	15.46	75%	587.48	15.46	C13/V2	692.10	18.21

	Column 1			Column 2			Column 3		
Stage of apprenticeship	Has not completed Year 12			Has completed Year 12			Adult apprentice		
	% of C10/V5	Min weekly wage	Hourly rate	% of C10/V5 or classification	Min weekly wage	Hourly rate	% of C10/V5 or classification	Min weekly wage	Hourly rate
	%	\$	\$	%	\$	\$		\$	\$
4	88	673.11	17.71	C12/V3	701.80	18.47	C12/V3	701.80	18.47

17.7 Conditions for progression through each stage

The minimum wages for each stage of the apprenticeship are set out in clauses 17.1 and 17.6. The conditions for progression to each stage are set out in the following tables:

- (a) **Engineering Tradesperson**—Where the training plan provides for the completion of a relevant AQF III qualification

Stage of apprenticeship	Entry, exit and progression requirements
Stage 1	<p>Entry Nil entry requirements.</p> <p>Exit There is no exit point at this stage.</p>
Stage 2	<p>Entry</p> <p>An apprentice enters Stage 2:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> on attainment of 25% of the total competency points for the relevant AQF Certificate III qualification specified in the training plan; or 12 months after commencing the apprenticeship, subject to clause 7.16; <p>whichever is earlier.</p> <p>Exit There is no exit point at this stage.</p>
Stage 3	<p>Entry</p> <p>An apprentice enters Stage 3:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> on attainment of 50% of the total competency points for the relevant AQF Certificate III qualification specified in the training plan; or 12 months after commencing Stage 2, subject to clause 7.16; <p>whichever is earlier.</p> <p>Exit There is no exit point at this stage.</p>

Stage of apprenticeship	Entry, exit and progression requirements
Stage 4	Entry An apprentice enters Stage 4:
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • on attainment of 75% of the total competency points for the relevant AQF Certificate III qualification specified in the training plan; or
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 12 months after commencing Stage 3, subject to clause 7.16;
	whichever is earlier.
	Exit Upon the attainment of 100% of the total competency points for the relevant AQF Certificate III qualification specified in the training plan and subject to clauses 7.6, 7.7, 7.8 and clause 7.16, an apprentice will exit with the relevant AQF Certificate III qualification.

- (b) **Higher Engineering Tradesperson**—Where the training plan provides for the completion of a relevant AQF IV qualification

Stage of apprenticeship	Entry, exit and progression requirements
Stage 1	Entry Nil entry requirements. Exit There is no exit point at this stage.
Stage 2	Entry An apprentice enters Stage 2:
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • on attainment of 25% of the total competency points for the relevant AQF Certificate IV qualification specified in the training plan; or
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 12 months after commencing the apprenticeship, subject to clause 7.16;
	whichever is earlier.
	Exit There is no exit point at this stage.
Stage 3	Entry An apprentice enters Stage 3:
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • on attainment of 50% of the total competency points for the relevant AQF Certificate IV qualification specified in the training plan; or
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 12 months after commencing Stage 2, subject to clause 7.16;
	whichever is earlier.

Stage of apprenticeship	Entry, exit and progression requirements		
	<p>Exit Upon the attainment of 75% of the total competency points for the relevant AQF Certificate IV qualification specified in the training plan and subject to clauses 7.6, 7.7, 7.8 and clause 7.16, an apprentice will exit with the relevant AQF Certificate III qualification.</p>		
Stage 4	<p>Entry An apprentice enters Stage 4:</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="596 622 1412 837"> <tr> <td data-bbox="596 622 1412 748"> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • on attainment of 75% of the total competency points for the relevant AQF Certificate IV qualification specified in the training plan; or </td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="596 748 1412 837"> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 12 months after commencing Stage 3, subject to clause 7.16, </td> </tr> </table> <p>whichever is earlier.</p> <p>Exit Upon the attainment of 100% of the total competency points for the relevant AQF Certificate IV qualification specified in the training plan and subject to clauses 7.6, 7.7, 7.8 and clause 7.16, an apprentice will exit with the relevant AQF Certificate IV qualification.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • on attainment of 75% of the total competency points for the relevant AQF Certificate IV qualification specified in the training plan; or 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 12 months after commencing Stage 3, subject to clause 7.16,
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • on attainment of 75% of the total competency points for the relevant AQF Certificate IV qualification specified in the training plan; or 			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 12 months after commencing Stage 3, subject to clause 7.16, 			

- (c) **Advanced Engineering Tradesperson**—Where the training plan provides for the completion of a relevant AQF V qualification

Stage of apprenticeship	Entry, exit and progression requirements				
Stage 1	<p>Entry Nil entry requirements.</p> <p>Exit There is no exit point at this stage.</p>				
Stage 2	<p>Entry An apprentice enters Stage 2:</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="671 667 1497 882"> <tr> <td data-bbox="671 667 671 792"></td> <td data-bbox="671 667 1497 792"> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> on attainment of 25% of the total competency points for the relevant Diploma of Engineering qualification specified in the training plan; or </td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="671 792 671 882"></td> <td data-bbox="671 792 1497 882"> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 12 months after commencing the apprenticeship, subject to clause 7.16; </td> </tr> </table> <p>whichever is earlier.</p> <p>Exit There is no exit point at this stage.</p>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> on attainment of 25% of the total competency points for the relevant Diploma of Engineering qualification specified in the training plan; or 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 12 months after commencing the apprenticeship, subject to clause 7.16;
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> on attainment of 25% of the total competency points for the relevant Diploma of Engineering qualification specified in the training plan; or 				
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 12 months after commencing the apprenticeship, subject to clause 7.16; 				
Stage 3	<p>Entry An apprentice enters Stage 3:</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="671 1115 1497 1330"> <tr> <td data-bbox="671 1115 671 1240"></td> <td data-bbox="671 1115 1497 1240"> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> on attainment of 50% of the total competency points for the relevant Diploma of Engineering qualification specified in the training plan; or </td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="671 1240 671 1330"></td> <td data-bbox="671 1240 1497 1330"> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 12 months after commencing Stage 2, subject to clause 7.16; </td> </tr> </table> <p>whichever is earlier.</p> <p>Exit Upon the attainment of 75% of the total competency points for the relevant AQF Diploma qualification specified in the training plan and subject to clauses 7.6, 7.7, 7.8 and clause 7.16, an apprentice may exit with the relevant AQF Certificate III and/or AQF Certificate IV qualification.</p>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> on attainment of 50% of the total competency points for the relevant Diploma of Engineering qualification specified in the training plan; or 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 12 months after commencing Stage 2, subject to clause 7.16;
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> on attainment of 50% of the total competency points for the relevant Diploma of Engineering qualification specified in the training plan; or 				
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 12 months after commencing Stage 2, subject to clause 7.16; 				
Stage 4	<p>Entry An apprentice enters Stage 4:</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="671 1706 1497 1890"> <tr> <td data-bbox="671 1706 671 1800"></td> <td data-bbox="671 1706 1497 1800"> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> on the attainment of 75% of the total competency points for the relevant AQF Diploma specified in the training plan; or </td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="671 1800 671 1890"></td> <td data-bbox="671 1800 1497 1890"> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 12 months after commencing Stage 3, subject to clause 7.16; </td> </tr> </table> <p>whichever is earlier.</p>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> on the attainment of 75% of the total competency points for the relevant AQF Diploma specified in the training plan; or 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 12 months after commencing Stage 3, subject to clause 7.16;
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> on the attainment of 75% of the total competency points for the relevant AQF Diploma specified in the training plan; or 				
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 12 months after commencing Stage 3, subject to clause 7.16; 				

Stage of apprenticeship	Entry, exit and progression requirements
	<p>Exit</p> <p>Upon the attainment of 100% of the total competency points for the relevant AQF Diploma qualification specified in the training plan and subject to clauses 7.6, 7.7, 7.8 and clause 7.16, an apprentice will exit with a relevant AQF Diploma qualification.</p>

18. Adult apprentice minimum wages

- 18.1** A person employed by an employer under this award immediately prior to entering into a training contract as an adult apprentice with that employer must not suffer a reduction in their minimum wage by virtue of entering into the training contract. For the purpose only of fixing a minimum wage, the adult apprentice must continue to receive the minimum wage that applies to the classification specified in clause 16.1 in which the adult apprentice was engaged immediately prior to entering into the training contract.
- 18.2** Subject to clause 18.1, the minimum wages for an adult apprentice are set out in Column 4 of the table in clause 17.1 and Column 3 of the table in clause 17.6 as determined by the relevant time period.

19. Cadet minimum wages

19.1 Cadet in the technical field

- (a) The minimum wages for a cadet in the technical field are:

Year	% of C3/V12 Level
First year of contract of training	40%
Second year of contract of training	55%
Third year of contract of training	70%

- (b) The cadet is not entitled to be classified at the C3/V12 level and paid **100%** of the C3/V12 level minimum wage, notwithstanding the fact that the qualification may have been obtained, until the three year program is completed and the requirements of the C3/V12 level definition are met.

19.2 Technology cadet minimum wages

- (a) The minimum wages for a technology cadet are:

Stage of technology cadetship	Technology cadets who completed Year 12, three or more years ago or who completed Year 10 or 11, four or more years ago	Other technology cadets
Technology cadets: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • who are undertaking stage 1; or • who entered the cadetship at stage 2, 3 or 4 and are in the first year of training. 	70% of the C9/V6 rate	53% of the C9/V6 rate
Technology cadets: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • who have completed stage 1 and are undertaking stage 2; or • who entered the cadetship at stage 2, 3 or 4 and are in the second year of training. 	77% of the C9/V6 rate	59% of the C9/V6 rate
Technology cadets: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • who have completed stage 2 and are undertaking stage 3; or • who entered the cadetship at stage 3 or 4 and are in the third year of training. 	83% of the C9/V6 rate	70% of the C9/V6 rate
Technology cadets: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • who have completed stage 3 and are undertaking stage 4; or • who entered the cadetship at stage 4 and are in the fourth year of training. 	90% of the C9/V6 rate	83% of the C9/V6 rate

(b) Exit from technology cadetship

The minimum wages for an employee who has completed a technology cadetship and who is required to utilise the skills attained from their technology cadetship are set out in the following table:

On completion of	Time period	% of relevant level
Stage 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Up to one year after successful completion of stage 1 	88% of the C9/V6 rate
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> One to up to two years after successful completion of stage 1 	95% of the C9/V6 rate
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Two years after successful completion of stage 1 	100% of the C9/V6 rate
Stage 2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Up to one year after successful completion of stage 2 	88% of the C7 rate
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> One to up to two years after successful completion of stage 2 	95% of the C7 rate
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Two years after successful completion of stage 2 	100% of the C7 rate
Stage 3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Up to one year after successful completion of stage 3 	88% of the C5/V10 rate
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> One to up to two years after successful completion of stage 3 	95% of the C5/V10 rate
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Two years after successful completion of stage 3 	100% of the C5/V10 rate
Stage 4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Up to one year after successful completion of stage 4 	88% of the C3/V12 rate
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> One to up to two years after successful completion of stage 4 	95% of the C3/V12 rate
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Two years after successful completion of stage 4 	100% of the C3/V12 rate

20. Trainee minimum wages

20.1 National training wage trainee minimum wages

- (a) The minimum wages for a trainee covered by the national training wage provisions are set out in Schedule G—National Training Wage.

(b) Exit from traineeship

The minimum wages for an employee who has completed a national training wage traineeship and who is required to utilise the skills attained from their traineeship are set out in the following tables:

(i) On completion of Skill Level A

School leaver	% of C10/V5 level	Completed Year 10 or less	% of C10/V5 level	Completed Year 11	% of C10/V5 level	Completed Year 12
		Minimum weekly wage		Minimum weekly wage		Minimum weekly wage
		\$		\$		\$
Plus 1 year	54.5%	426.90	63.1	494.26	73.5	575.73
Plus 2 years	63.1%	494.26	73.5	575.73	85.3	668.15
Plus 3 years	73.5%	575.73	85.3	668.15	100	783.30
Plus 4 years	85.3%	668.15	100	783.30		
Plus 5 years	100%	783.30				

(ii) On completion of Skill Level B

School leaver	% of C11/V4 level	Completed Year 10 or less	% of C11/V4 level	Completed Year 11	% of C11/V4 level	Completed Year 12
		Minimum weekly wage		Minimum weekly wage		Minimum weekly wage
		\$		\$		\$
Plus 1 year	57.9%	430.37	64.8	481.66	74.5	553.76
Plus 2 years	64.8%	481.66	74.5	553.76	87.2	648.16
Plus 3 years	74.5%	553.76	87.2	648.16	100	743.30
Plus 4 years	87.2%	648.16	100	743.30		
Plus 5 years	100%	743.30				

(iii) On completion of Skill Level C

School leaver	% of C12/V3 level	Completed Year 10 or less	% of C12/V3 level	Completed Year 11	% of C12/V3 level	Completed Year 12
		Minimum weekly wage		Minimum weekly wage		Minimum weekly wage
		\$		\$		\$
Plus 1 year	60.3%	433.32	63.5	456.31	71.7	515.24
Plus 2 years	63.5%	456.31	71.7	515.24	80.2	576.32
Plus 3 years	71.7%	515.24	80.2	576.32	100	718.60
Plus 4 years	80.2%	576.32	100	718.60		
Plus 5 years	100%	718.60				

- (c) The appropriate classification is the classification corresponding to the minimum training requirement or equivalent which is the normal outcome for the particular traineeship as advised by the Manufacturing Skills Council. Provided that any additional competencies acquired during the period of experience during and subsequent to completion of the traineeship which are required or will be required to be utilised are also taken into account. Provided further that where the outcome is less than the C12/V3 level the employee is given the opportunity to acquire the additional competencies, where the attainment of the additional competencies meets the needs of the business, and when this is achieved the employee is reclassified from the C13/V2 to C12/V3 level.
- (d) The minimum wages provided for in clause 20.1(b) are to receive wage increases that are in proportion to the wage increases provided to the minimum wage of the C11/V4 level in respect of Skill Level B, the C12/V3 level in respect of Skill Level C, and the C10/V5 level in respect of Skill Level A.
- (e) Whether a traineeship falls within Skill Level A, Skill Level B or Skill Level C will be determined by the advice of the Manufacturing Skills Council. Based on the advice of the Manufacturing Skills Council, the Foundation Engineering Traineeship is a Skill Level C, the Engineering Traineeship is a Skill Level B, the Advanced Engineering Traineeship is a Skill Level B or a Skill Level A depending on the level of the Engineering Production Certificate which the traineeship is designed to achieve and the Engineering Traineeship Technician is a Skill Level A.

20.2 Technical field trainee minimum wages

The minimum wages for a trainee in the technical field who is undergoing a certificate course appropriate to their work which is prescribed by the relevant State education department or a course at least equivalent thereto are:

Age	% of C9/V6 level
17 years of age and under	52.5%
At 18 years of age	62.6%
At 19 years of age	75.7%
At 20 years of age	88.8%

20.3 Trainee engineer and trainee scientist minimum wages

The minimum wages for a trainee engineer or trainee scientist pursuing a part-time course approved by the employer leading to qualification as an engineering graduate or diplomate or science graduate or diplomate are:

Age	% of C9/V6 level
17 years of age and under	52%
At 18 years of age	62%
At 19 years of age	75%
At 20 years of age	88%
At 21 years of age	91.5%
At 22 years of age and over	97%

21. Unapprenticed junior minimum wages

21.1 Unapprenticed junior

The minimum wages for an unapprenticed junior, except an unapprenticed junior in a foundry, a junior tracer the technical field of vehicle manufacturing and a junior engaged on the operations set out in clause 21.3, are:

Age	% of C13/V2 level
Under 16 years of age	36.8%
At 16 years of age	47.3%
At 17 years of age	57.8%
At 18 years of age	68.3%
At 19 years of age	82.5%
At 20 years of age	97.7%

21.2 Unapprenticed junior in a foundry

The minimum wages for an unapprenticed junior in a foundry are:

Age	% of C13/V2 level
Under 16 years of age	36.8%

Age	% of C13/V2 level
At 16 years of age	47.3%
At 17 years of age	68.3%
At 18 years of age	83.0%
At 19 years of age	98.8%
At 20 years of age	Adult rate

21.3 Junior tracers

Years of age	% of V3 rate
16 years and under	54%
17 years	59%
18 years	67%
19 years	76%
20 years	83%

21.4 A junior engaged on any of the following operations is entitled to receive the minimum wage for an adult employee in accordance with clause 16.1:

- (a) angle iron cropping where the material weighs more than 5.2 kg per metre and is not clamped; or
- (b) assisting a steel furnace ladle operator other than in daubing or repairing ladles; or
- (c) assisting a storeperson racking and/or loading and/or unloading off vehicles, heavy steel plates, bars or sections; or
- (d) breaking up pig iron; or
- (e) carrying material to or from a cupola forge or electric steel furnace or using the slicer or hanging on to the end of a bloom, except in the case of a junior moulder; or
- (f) cutting out and punching rivets or plates; or
- (g) cutting plates by means of a hammer and cold set; or
- (h) plate edge planners in structural steel or ship building yards where the operator travels on the machine; or
- (i) punching machines handling plates of a mass more than 38 kg; or
- (j) shearing machines, other than guillotine plate shearers, handling plates of a mass of more than 38 kg.

22. Supported wage system

For employees who because of the effects of a disability are eligible for a supported wage, see Schedule E—Supported Wage System.

23. Extra rates not cumulative

The extra rates in this award, except rates prescribed in clause 27.3—Special rates and rates for work on public holidays, are not cumulative so as to exceed the maximum of double the applicable ordinary hourly rate of pay.

24. Payment of wages

24.1 Period of payment

- (a) Except as provided for in clause 24.1(b), wages must be paid weekly or fortnightly either:
 - (i) according to the actual ordinary hours worked each week or fortnight; or
 - (ii) according to the average number of ordinary hours worked each week or fortnight.
- (b) By agreement between the employer and the majority of employees in the relevant enterprise, wages may be paid three weekly, four weekly or monthly. Agreement in this respect may also be reached between the employer and an individual employee.

24.2 Method of payment

- (a) Wages must be paid by cash, cheque or electronic funds transfer into the employee's bank or other recognised financial institution account.
- (b) In the case of an employee paid by cheque, if the employee requires it, the employer is to have a facility available during ordinary hours for the encashment of the cheque.

24.3 Payment of wages on termination of employment

24.3 may be reviewed in [AM2014/75](#) – see para [109] [\[2015\] FWCFB 4658](#)

On termination of employment, wages due to an employee must be paid on the day of termination or forwarded to the employee by post on the next working day.

24.4 Day off coinciding with pay day

Where an employee is paid wages by cash or cheque and the employee is, by virtue of the arrangement of their ordinary hours, to take a day off on a day which coincides with pay day, such employee must be paid no later than the working day immediately following pay day. However, if the employer is able to make suitable arrangements, wages may be paid on the working day preceding pay day.

24.5 Wages to be paid during working hours

- (a) Where an employee is paid wages by cash or cheque such wages are to be paid during ordinary working hours.
- (b) If an employee is paid wages by cash and is kept waiting for their wages on pay day, after the usual time for ceasing work, the employee is to be paid at overtime rates for the period they are kept waiting.

24.6 Absences from duty under an averaging system

Where an employee's ordinary hours in a week are greater or less than 38 hours and such employee's pay is averaged to avoid fluctuating wage payments, the following is to apply:

- (a) The employee will accrue a credit for each day they work ordinary hours in excess of the daily average.
- (b) The employee will not accrue a credit for each day of absence from duty, other than on annual leave, long service leave, public holidays, paid personal/carer's leave, workers compensation, paid compassionate leave, paid training leave or jury service.
- (c) An employee absent for part of a day, other than on annual leave, long service leave, public holidays, paid personal/carer's leave, workers compensation, paid compassionate leave, paid training leave or jury service, accrues a proportion of the credit for the day, based on the proportion of the working day that the employee was in attendance.

NOTE: Regulations 3.33(3) and 3.46(1)(g) of *Fair Work Regulations 2009* set out the requirements for pay records and the content of payslips including the requirement to separately identify any allowance paid.

25. Employer and employee duties

- 25.1** An employer may direct an employee to carry out such duties as are within the limits of the employee's skills, competence and training consistent with the classification structure of this award provided that such duties are not designed to promote de-skilling.
- 25.2** An employer may direct an employee to carry out such duties and use such tools and equipment as may be required provided that the employee has been properly trained in the use of such tools and equipment.
- 25.3** Any direction issued by an employer under clause 25—Employer and employee duties must be consistent with the employer's responsibilities to provide a safe and healthy working environment.

26. National training wage

For employees undertaking a traineeship, see Schedule G—National Training Wage.

27. Allowances and special rates

Employers must pay to an employee the allowances the employee is entitled to under this clause. See Schedule D for a summary of monetary allowances and method of adjustment.

27.1 All purpose allowances

Allowances paid for **all purposes** are included in the rate of pay of an employee who is entitled to the allowance, when calculating any penalties or loadings or payment while they are on annual leave. The following allowances are paid for all purposes under this award:

- Leading hand allowance (clause 27.1(a));
- Ship repairing allowance (clause 27.1(b));
- Tool allowance—tradespersons and apprentices (clause 27.1(c))
- Tool allowance—carpenter or joiner or shipwright/boatbuilder (clause 27.1(d))
- Technical computing equipment allowance (clause 27.1(e));
- Supervisor/Trainer/Coordinator—Technical allowance (clause 27.1(f)); and
- Artificial fertilizers and chemicals allowance (clause 27.1(g)).

(a) Leading hand allowance

- (i) An employee who is appointed by the employer to be a leading hand must be paid an allowance each week as follows:

In charge of	\$ per week
3–10 employees	34.27
11–20 employees	51.20
More than 20 employees	65.17

- (ii) This allowance will be paid for all purposes of this award.

(b) Ship repairing allowance

- (i) An employee engaged on ship repairs must be paid:

	\$ per week
Tradespersons	15.56
All other employees	12.59

- (ii) This allowance will be paid for all purposes of this award.

(c) Tool allowance—tradespersons and apprentices

- (i) Except as otherwise provided in clause 27.1(c), a tradesperson must be paid a tool allowance of **\$14.69** per week for supplying and maintaining tools ordinarily required in the performance of their work as a tradesperson.

- (ii) The tool allowance in clause 27.1(c) does not apply to an employer who had a practice as at 5 November 1979 of providing all tools required by a tradesperson or an apprentice in the performance of their work. Such an employer is entitled to continue this practice.
 - (iii) Where an employer other than an employer referred to in clause 27.1(c)(ii) reaches an agreement with an individual tradesperson or apprentice to provide all of the tools required in the performance of their work, the tool allowance is not payable.
 - (iv) The tool allowance in clause 27.1(c) applies to an apprentice on the same percentage basis as set out in Column 1 of clause 17.5 or Column 1 of ~~Table A or B~~ of clause 17.6 as applicable.
 - (v) An employer is to provide for the use of a tradesperson or an apprentice all necessary power tools, special purpose tools, precision measuring instruments and, for a sheet metal worker, snips used in the cutting of stainless steel, monel metal and similar hard metals.
 - (vi) A tradesperson or apprentice is to replace or pay for any tools supplied by their employer which are lost as a result of negligence on the part of the employee.
 - (vii) The provision of tools under the Federal government **Tools for your trade scheme** does not constitute the provision of all tools by the employer for the purposes of clauses 27.1(c)(ii) and (iii).
 - (viii) This allowance will be paid for all purposes of this award.
- (d) **Tool allowance—carpenter or joiner or shipwright/boatbuilder**
- (i) A carpenter or joiner or shipwright/boatbuilder must be paid a tool allowance of **\$28.32** per week.
 - (ii) This allowance will be paid for all purposes of this award.
- (e) **Technical computing equipment allowance**
- (i) An allowance of **\$40.50** per week must be paid to an employee in the technical field who is required to use technical computing equipment to perform work of a complex nature.
 - (ii) This allowance is not payable for routine or repetitive functions, or where the system is used merely as an aid.
 - (iii) **Technical computing equipment** means computer hardware (including personal computers, micro computers, mini computers or mainframe computers) using software and/or engineering applications (including design, engineering, planning or data base programs) which are used for drafting, planning, quality control, machine programming, NC programming and engineering analysis.

(iv) **Work of a complex nature** includes:

- the application of new concepts in their field of work, including the use of three dimensional projections; or
- the development of specialised programs for technical computing applications; or
- system development, including the evaluation of existing and alternative systems ancillary software and/or hardware; or
- the provision of training on the system for users, including the development and evaluation of self-learn and/or teaching methods or software packages.

(v) This allowance will be paid for all purposes of this award.

(f) **Supervisor/Trainer/Coordinator—Technical allowance**

(i) A Supervisor/Trainer/Coordinator—Technical, who is responsible primarily for the exercise of skills in the technical field up to the level of their skill and competence and who is additionally involved in the supervision/training of other technical employees must be paid not less than **107%** of the minimum wage applicable to the employee’s technical classification.

(ii) This allowance will be paid for all purposes of this award.

(g) **Artificial fertilizers and chemicals allowance**

(i) An employee who performs work in respect of artificial fertilizers, chemicals, alkalis and all processes involving chemical synthesis, other than an employee engaged at the C1–C10 level, must be paid an industry allowance of **\$8.07** per week extra if the work is in relation to fertilizers and related activities (other than acid) and **\$10.61** otherwise.

(ii) An employee who both performs work in respect of artificial fertilizers, chemicals, alkalis and all processes involving chemical synthesis and is a chemical/fertilizer production worker must be paid the following disability allowance for:

Duty	\$ per day
General duties	1.48
Acid production and related activities	2.37
Fertiliser production and despatch	2.54

(iii) This allowance will be paid for all purposes of this award.

27.2 Other allowances

(a) Vehicle allowance

A vehicle allowance of **\$0.78** per kilometre travelled must be paid to an employee who reaches an agreement with their employer to use their own vehicle for the employer's business.

(b) First aid allowance

An employee who has been trained to render first aid and who is the current holder of appropriate first aid qualifications such as a certificate from the St John Ambulance or similar body must be paid an additional amount of **\$15.58** per week if appointed by their employer to perform first aid duty.

(c) Meal allowance

(i) A meal allowance of **\$13.81** must be paid to an employee on each occasion the employee is entitled to a rest break in accordance with clause 31.12 except in the following circumstances:

- if the employee is a day worker and was notified no later than the previous day that they would be required to work overtime; or
- if the employee is a shiftworker and was notified no later than the previous day or previous rostered shift that they would be required to work overtime; or
- if the employee lives in the same locality as the enterprise and could reasonably return home for meals; or
- if the employee is provided with an adequate meal by the employer.

(ii) If an employee has provided a meal or meals on the basis that they have been given notice to work overtime and the employee is not required to work overtime or is required to work less than the amount advised, they must be paid the prescribed meal allowance for the meal or meals which they have provided but which are surplus.

(d) Damage to clothing, spectacles, hearing aids and tools

(i) Compensation must be made by an employer to an employee to the extent of the damage sustained where, in the course of work, clothing, spectacles, hearing aids or tools of trade are damaged or destroyed by fire or molten metal or through the use of corrosive substances. The employer's liability in respect of tools is limited to the tools of trade which are ordinarily required for the performance of the employee's duties. Compensation is not payable if an employee is entitled to workers compensation in respect of the damage.

(ii) Where an employee as a result of performing any duty required by the employer, and as a result of negligence of the employer, suffers any damage to or soiling of clothing or other personal equipment, including spectacles and hearing aids, the employer is liable for the replacement,

repair or cleaning of such clothing or personal equipment including spectacles and hearing aids.

(e) Case hardened prescription lenses

An employer who requires an employee to have their prescription lenses case hardened must pay for the cost of case hardening.

(f) Protective clothing and equipment allowance

Where an employee is required to wear protective clothing and equipment as stipulated by the relevant law operating in a State or Territory, the employer must reimburse the employee for the cost of purchasing such special clothing and equipment unless the clothing and equipment is paid for by the employer.

(g) Engine driver and fireperson allowance

(i) Subject to 27.2(g)(ii) and (iii) a boiler attendant, an engine driver or fireperson must be paid the following for:

Duty	\$ per week
Attending to refrigeration compressors	32.91
Attending to an electric generator or dynamo exceeding 10kW capacity	32.91
Being in charge of plant	32.91
Attending to a switchboard where the generating capacity is 350kW or over	10.26

(ii) The allowances in clause 27.2(g)(i), except as to dragline excavators and tractors, are not cumulative to the extent of increasing the minimum wage of an employee above the C10 level.

(iii) The minimum wages for an engine driver attending a refrigeration compressor or compressors are:

- where the capacity is 88 kW or less, the C11/V4 level; and
- where the capacity is more than 88 kW, the C10/V5 level.

(h) Cleaner, greaser or oiler allowance

If a cleaner, greaser or oiler sometimes under the supervision of an engine driver stops or starts an engine, they must be paid an allowance of **\$30.50** per week.

(i) Manganese dioxide and other pigments allowance

An employee required to handle manganese dioxide and other pigments must be paid as follows:

- (i) **\$1.75** per hour for the first two hours; or
- (ii) **\$12.43** per day where the work lasts over two hours.

(j) Inspector's allowance

Inspectors will be paid \$31.96 per week in excess of the wage payable to the employee whose work an inspector is required to inspect.

(k) Carpenters' allowance

A carpenters' allowance of \$0.26 per hour is payable to a carpenter engaged on large structural alterations to buildings, whether external or internal.

(l) Goggles

(i) The employer will reimburse the employee for the cost of purchasing goggles where the employee is required to wear suitable mica or other goggles when using an emery wheel or rotary wire brushes.

(ii) Clause 27.2(l)(i) does not apply where protective equipment is fitted to a machine or where the goggles are supplied to the employee at the employer's expense.

(iii) Where such goggles are supplied without cost to the employee, they will remain the property of the employer.

27.3 Special rates

Subject to clauses 27.3(a) and 27.3(b) the following special rates must be paid to an employee including an apprentice and a junior:

(a) Special rates not cumulative

Where more than one of the disabilities set out in clause 27.3 entitles an employee to extra rates, the employer must pay only one rate, namely the highest applicable rate for the applicable disabilities.

(i) This clause does not apply to the following allowances, the rates for which are cumulative:

- Cold places (clause 27.3(c));
- Hot places (clause 27.3(d));
- Wet places (clause 27.3(e))
- Confined spaces (clause 27.3(f));
- Dirty work (clause 27.3(g)); and
- Height money (clause 27.3(h)).

(b) Special rates are not subject to penalty additions

The special rates in clause 27.3 must be paid irrespective of the times at which the work is performed, and are not subject to any premium or penalty additions.

(c) Cold places

- (i) An employee who works for more than one hour in places where the temperature is reduced by artificial means below 0 degrees Celsius must be paid an allowance of **\$0.58** per hour.
- (ii) In addition, where the work continues for more than two hours, the employee is entitled to 20 minutes rest after every two hours work without loss of pay.

(d) Hot places

- (i) An employee who works for more than one hour in the shade in places where the temperature is raised by artificial means must be paid:
 - **\$0.60** per hour where the temperature is between 46 and 54 degrees Celsius;
 - **\$0.78** per hour where the temperature is in excess of 54 degrees.
- (ii) In addition, where work continues for more than two hours in temperatures exceeding 54 degrees Celsius, the employee is entitled to 20 minutes rest after every two hours work without loss of pay.
- (iii) The temperature is to be determined by the supervisor after consultation with the employee who claims the extra rate.

(e) Wet places

- (i) An employee working in any place where their clothing or boots become saturated by water, oil or another substance, must be paid an allowance of **\$0.60** per hour.
- (ii) Any employee who becomes entitled to this allowance must be paid the allowance only for the part of the day or shift they are required to work in wet clothing or boots.
- (iii) The wet places allowance is not payable to an employee who is provided by the employer with suitable and effective protective clothing and/or footwear.

(f) Confined spaces

A confined spaces allowance of **\$0.78** per hour must be paid to an employee working in a confined space.

(g) Dirty work

- (i) A dirty work allowance of **\$0.60** per hour must be paid to an employee where the employee and their supervisor agree that work (other than ship repair work) is of an unusually dirty or offensive nature.
- (ii) A dirty work allowance of **\$0.78** per hour must be paid to an employee where the employee and their supervisor agree that certain ship repair work is of an unusually dirty or offensive nature.

(h) Height money

A height money allowance of **\$0.43** per hour is to be paid to an employee other than a linesperson, linesperson's assistant, rigger and splicer, engaged in the construction, erection, repair and/or maintenance as the case may be, of ships, steel frame buildings, bridges, gasometers or other structures at a height in each case of 15 metres or more directly above the nearest horizontal plane.

(i) Meat digesters and oil tanks

A meat digesters and oil tanks allowance of **\$0.58** per hour must be paid to an employee working on repairs in oil tanks or meat digesters. An employee engaged on such work for more than half of a day or shift must be paid the special rate for the whole day or shift.

(j) Sanitary works

A sanitary works allowance of **\$0.41** per hour must be paid to an employee working in a sanitary works.

(k) Insulation materials

An insulation materials allowance of **\$0.78** per hour must be paid to an employee handling loose slag wool, loose insulwool or other loose material of a like nature used for providing insulation against heat, cold or noise, when employed on ship construction or ship repairing or on the construction, repair or demolition of furnaces, walls, floors and/or ceilings.

(l) Slaughtering yards

A slaughtering yards allowance of **\$0.43** per hour must be paid to an employee working in slaughtering yards.

(m) Boiler repairs

(i) An employee working on repairs to smoke-boxes, fire-boxes, furnaces or flues of boilers must be paid an allowance of **\$0.43** per hour.

(ii) An employee engaged on repairs to oil fired boilers, including the castings, uptakes and funnels, or flues and smoke stacks must be paid an allowance of **\$1.53** per hour while working inside **such** a boiler.

(n) Underground mine work

An electrician working underground in a mine must be paid an additional 12% of the minimum wage applicable for the time spent working underground.

(o) Explosive powered tools

An employee required to use explosive powered tools must be paid an allowance of **\$1.55** per day. Where an hourly rate is required, it is calculated by dividing the rate by 7.6.

(p) Ships in dock

An employee working under a ship in a dock or slipway must be paid an allowance of **\$0.43** per hour when working on the removal and/or bolting up of plates or in burning-off on those portions of a ship where the height from the dock or shipway floor to the hull of the ship is less than 1.4 metres.

(q) Foundry allowance

(i) An employee working in a foundry must be paid an allowance of **\$0.45** for each hour worked to compensate for all disagreeable features associated with foundry work including heat, fumes, atmospheric conditions, sparks, dampness, confined spaces and noise.

(ii) The foundry allowance is payable instead of any payment otherwise due under clause 27.3.

(iii) For the purposes of this clause, **foundry work** means any operation in the production of castings by casting metal in a mould made of sand, loam, metal, moulding composition or other material or mixture of materials, or by shell moulding, centrifugal casting or continuous casting and, where carried on as an incidental process in connection with and in the course of the aforementioned production, the preparation of moulds and cores (but not in the making of patterns and dies in a separate room), knock out processes and dressing operations, but does not include any operations performed in connection with:

- non-ferrous die casting (including gravity and pressure); or
- casting of billets and/or ingots in metal moulds; or
- continuous casting of metal into billets; or
- melting of metal for use in printing; or
- refining of metal.

(iv) An employee is not entitled to be paid the foundry allowance for any work in a foundry during any period that foundry production is not being carried out, with the exception of any work carried out within the eight hour period immediately following the cessation of foundry production.

(r) Boiling down works

An employee working in boiling down works must be paid an allowance of **\$0.43** per hour.

(s) Lead works

An allowance of **\$0.43** per hour must be paid to an employee working in lead works.

(t) Handlers of carbon black

(i) A storeperson and packer handling carbon black in a bulk store, a forklift driver handling or transporting carbon black (except when it is packed in

sealed metal containers), an employee handling carbon black elsewhere before processing, an employee engaged in processing free carbon black, a cleaner employed in sweeping free carbon black and an employee engaged in baling used carbon black bags must be paid an allowance of **\$0.99** per hour.

- (ii) In addition, an employer must pay an overall allowance of **\$0.35** per day extra for each day in respect of which an employee must be paid the special rate in clause 27.3(t)(i) for handling carbon black, unless the employer provides such an employee with two sets of overalls per year.
- (iii) An employee entitled to the special rate in this clause must be allowed 15 minutes washing time at the end of each shift.

(u) Installing or repairing belting underground in mines

An employee required to install or repair any type of belting underground in mines must be paid an allowance of **\$0.31** per hour.

(v) Processing free coal dust

An employee engaged in processing free coal dust must be paid an allowance of **\$0.43** per hour.

(w) Boiler cleaning—engine driver

- (i) An engine driver, **or an employee engaged in vehicle manufacturing** engaged inside the gas or water space of any boiler, flue or economiser, in cleaning or scraping work must be paid an allowance of **\$1.69** per hour while so employed.
- (ii) The allowance in clause 27.3(w) is paid instead of the special rates for hot places, wet places, confined spaces, dirty work or boiler repairs.

(x) Second-hand work

- (i) An employee working on second-hand upholstery, bedding, floor covering and/or soft furnishings must be paid an additional 25% of the minimum wage applicable to the employee's classification while engaged on such work.
- (ii) Before any work is performed on second-hand bedding, the bedding must be vacuum fumigated.
- (iii) For the purposes of clause 27.3(x), **second-hand upholstery** means all work done while stripping old materials and preparing the job for the use of new materials; patching; replacing flock, fibre or stuffing taken from the job and replaced; or replacing old covers on rubber, foam or other like material. However, second-hand upholstery does not mean the cutting and sewing of new materials where the work is done away from the job; the placing of new materials on the job where the job has been reduced to the frame or where springs and/or webbing are left; the replacing of new covers on rubber or foam or other like material; or the replacing of new upholstery and old material after such old material is wholly covered by new hessian or new material.

- (iv) All work on floor coverings and soft furnishings once they have been laid and fixed, must be classed as second-hand unless such floor coverings or soft furnishings have been thoroughly cleaned by subjection to a dry cleaning process in the case of soft furnishings and to a shampooing process involving lifting in the case of floor coverings. Provided, however, that the second-hand rate must at all times apply to sewers of second-hand floor coverings.

(y) Foreign rock

An employee who both performs work in respect of artificial fertilizers, chemicals, alkalis and all processes involving chemical synthesis and is a chemical/fertilizer production worker and who also handles phosphate rock other than that from Nauru, Ocean, Makatea or Christmas Island must be paid the following for:

Nature of work	\$ per week
Rock phosphate, superphosphate and mixed manure sections receiving ex ship or railway truck	6.92
Handling rock phosphate to crushers and all other employees in the rock phosphate section	6.55
Mixing superphosphate	6.55
Excavating bins, and the manufacture or excavating of superphosphate until such time as it is dumped on the heap for curing	4.27
The handling of superphosphate from the heap until loading in wagons or trucks for despatch, including the manufacture and despatch of mixed fertilizers	2.60

(z) Farmers' own bags

An employee who both performs work in respect of artificial fertilizers, chemicals, alkalis and all processes involving chemical synthesis and is a chemical/fertilizer production worker must be paid the following for:

Function	\$ per day
Sorting, branding, bagging, dumping, sewing or trucking, fertilizing materials in farmers' own bags	0.52
Loading double-handling into railway or other trucks, fertilizing materials in farmers' own bags	0.95
Loading single-handling into railway or other trucks, fertilizing materials in farmers' own bags	1.28

(aa) Soda ash

An employee manually engaged in carrying and stacking bagged soda ash must be paid an allowance of **\$1.81** per hour for the time so engaged.

(bb) Raw materials

An employee manually engaged in carrying and stacking bagged raw materials (other than soda ash) and crushing cullet, attending a pug mill or in feeding a bag cleaning machine must be paid an allowance of **\$0.68** per hour for the time so engaged.

(cc) Skimming and floater setting—flat glass tank

An employee engaged in skimming the drawing pit when a machine is not actually in operation or in the actual operation of floater setting on the tank must be paid an allowance of **\$2.60** per half hour for the time so engaged.

(dd) Glass furnace regenerators

An allowance of **\$14.30** per day must be paid to an employee engaged on the work of building, rebuilding, or packing glass furnace regenerators.

(ee) Float glass furnace repair

An employee directly engaged in the removal of molten tin from the float glass bath while the float glass furnace is undergoing repair must be paid an additional 100% of the minimum wage applicable to the employee's classification for the time so engaged.

(ff) Jack bolt tensioner

An allowance of **\$7.75** per shift or part thereof must be paid to an employee who is engaged in adjusting the tensioner of jack bolts while a furnace is under heat.

(gg) Loading and unloading away from employer's premises

An allowance of **\$7.75** per shift or part thereof must be paid to an employee who is engaged in loading and/or unloading operations at wharves or railway yards elsewhere than on the employer's premises.

27.4 Transfers, travelling and working away from usual place of work

(a) Excess travelling and fares

An employee required to start and/or finish work at a job away from the employer's usual workplace must be paid:

- (i)** travelling time for all time reasonably spent by the employee in reaching and/or returning from the job which is in excess of the time normally spent by the employee in travelling between the employee's usual residence and the employee's usual workplace; and
- (ii)** any fares reasonably incurred by the employee or which would have been incurred by the employee had the employee not used their own means of transport, which are in excess of those normally incurred in travelling between the employee's residence and the employee's usual workplace, provided that if the employee used their own means of transport then excess fares need not be paid where the employee has an arrangement with their employer for a regular allowance.

(b) Engagement of labour away from workshops

- (i) Subject to clause 27.4(b)(ii), an employer is free to engage labour on the site of a job carried on away from the workshop, without payment for any travelling time or fares, unless such employee is sent from the workshop.
- (ii) If an employee engaged for the erection of a job had previously been engaged by the same employer in the fabrication of the job in a workshop they must be paid fares in excess of those incurred in travelling to and from the workshop.

(c) Distant work

- (i) An employee required to remain temporarily away from the employee's usual residence because the employee is working temporarily in a locality away from the employee's usual workplace must be paid travelling time for necessary travel between the locality and the employee's usual workplace and expenses.
- (ii) After each four week period on distant work an employee is entitled to be paid for a return fare reasonably incurred for personal travel between the locality and the employee's usual residence, unless such distant work is inherent in the normal work of the employee.

(d) Transfer involving change of residence

An employee:

- (i) engaged in one locality to work in another; or
- (ii) sent other than at his or her own request, from his or her usual locality to another for employment which can reasonably be regarded as permanent;

involving a change in residence will be paid travelling time whilst necessarily travelling between such localities and expenses for a period not exceeding three months or in cases where the employee is in the process of buying a place of residence in the new locality for a period not exceeding six months. Provided that such expenses will cease after the employee has taken up permanent residence or abode at the new location.

(e) Travelling time payment

- (i) The rate of pay for travelling time on Monday to Saturday is the ~~applicable~~ **ordinary hourly** rate of pay and on Sundays and public holidays is 150% of the ~~applicable rate of pay~~ **ordinary hourly rate**
- (ii) The maximum travelling time to be paid for is 12 hours out of every 24 hours or, when a sleeping berth is provided by the employer for all-night travel, eight hours out of every 24 hours.

(f) Expenses for the purpose of clause 27.4 means:

- (i) all fares reasonably incurred;
- (ii) reasonable expenses included while travelling including **\$13.51** for each meal taken; and
- (iii) a reasonable allowance to cover the cost incurred for board and lodging.

27.5 Training costs

27.5 may be reviewed in [AM2014/75](#) – see para [109] [\[2015\] FWCFB 4658](#)

- (a) Any costs associated with standard fees for prescribed courses and prescribed textbooks (excluding those textbooks which are available in the employer's technical library) incurred by an employee in connection with training agreed to by the employer must be reimbursed by the employer on the production of evidence of such expenditure by the employee, provided that reimbursement may be on an annual basis subject to the presentation of reports of satisfactory progress.
- (b) Travel costs incurred by an employee undertaking training agreed to by the employer, which exceed those normally incurred in travelling to and from work, must be reimbursed by the employer.
- (c) This clause does not apply to costs associated with training that are in connection with an apprentice's training contract. Such costs are subject to clause 7 and not this clause.

28. Superannuation

28.1 Superannuation legislation

- (a) Superannuation legislation, including the *Superannuation Guarantee (Administration) Act 1992* (Cth), the *Superannuation Guarantee Charge Act 1992* (Cth), the *Superannuation Industry (Supervision) Act 1993* (Cth) and the *Superannuation (Resolution of Complaints) Act 1993* (Cth), deals with the superannuation rights and obligations of employers and employees. Under superannuation legislation individual employees generally have the opportunity to choose their own superannuation fund. If an employee does not choose a superannuation fund, any superannuation fund nominated in the award covering the employee applies.
- (b) The rights and obligations in these clauses supplement those in superannuation legislation.

28.2 Employer contributions

An employer must make such superannuation contributions to a superannuation fund for the benefit of an employee as will avoid the employer being required to pay the superannuation guarantee charge under superannuation legislation with respect to that employee.

28.3 Voluntary employee contributions

- (a) Subject to the governing rules of the relevant superannuation fund, an employee may, in writing, authorise their employer to pay on behalf of the employee a specified amount from the post-taxation wages of the employee into the same superannuation fund as the employer makes the superannuation contributions provided for in clause 28.2.
- (b) An employee may adjust the amount the employee has authorised their employer to pay from the wages of the employee from the first of the month following the giving of three months' written notice to their employer.
- (c) The employer must pay the amount authorised under clauses 28.3(a) or (b) no later than 28 days after the end of the month in which the deduction authorised under clauses 28.3(a) or (b) was made.

28.4 Superannuation fund

Unless, to comply with superannuation legislation, the employer is required to make the superannuation contributions provided for in clause 28.2 to another superannuation fund that is chosen by the employee, the employer must make the superannuation contributions provided for in clause 28.2 and pay the amount authorised under clauses 28.3(a) or (b) to one of the following superannuation funds or its successor:

- (a) AustralianSuper; or
- (b) Labour Union Cooperative Retirement Fund (LUCRF); or
- (c) TasPlan; or
- (d) Sunsuper; or
- (e) CareSuper; or
- (f) Cbus; or
- (g) FIRSTSUPER; or
- (h) Allied Union Superannuation Trust of Queensland (Aust(Q)); or
- (i) MTAA Superannuation Fund; or
- (j) any superannuation fund to which the employer was making superannuation contributions for the benefit of its employees before 12 September 2008, provided the superannuation fund is an eligible choice fund and is a fund that offers a MySuper product or is an exempt public sector superannuation scheme; or
- (k) a superannuation fund or scheme which the employee is a defined benefit member of.

28.5 Absence from work

Subject to the governing rules of the relevant superannuation fund, the employer must also make the superannuation contributions provided for in clause 28.2 and pay the amount authorised under clauses 28.3(a) or (b):

(a) Paid leave

While the employee is on any paid leave.

(b) Work related injury or illness

For the period of absence from work (subject to a maximum of 52 weeks in total) of the employee due to work related injury or work related illness provided that:

- the employee is receiving workers compensation payments or is receiving regular payments directly from the employer in accordance with statutory requirements; and
- the employee remains employed by the employer.

Part 5—Penalties and Overtime

29. Penalties

29.1 Penalty rates for day workers

(a) Weekend work

Where agreement is reached in accordance with clause 13.2(c):

- (i) The rate to be paid to a day worker for ordinary time worked between midnight on Friday and midnight on Saturday will be **150%** of the ordinary hourly rate.
- (ii) The rate to be paid to a day worker for ordinary time worked between midnight on Saturday and midnight on Sunday will be **200%** of the ordinary hourly rate.

(b) Payment for work on public holidays

Except as provided in clause 29.2, a day worker required to work on a public holiday must be paid **250%** of the ordinary hourly rate with a minimum payment as for three hours. This rate must be paid until the employee is released from duty.

29.2 Rates for shiftworkers

(a) Definitions

Afternoon shift means any shift finishing after 6.00 pm and at or before midnight

Continuous shiftwork means work carried on with consecutive shifts of employees throughout the 24 hours of each of at least six consecutive days without interruption except for breakdowns or meal breaks or due to unavoidable causes beyond the control of the employer

Night shift means any shift finishing after midnight and at or before 8.00 am

Rostered shift means any shift of which the employee concerned has had at least 48 hours' notice

- (b) In conjunction with clause 5.3, by agreement between the employer and the majority of employees concerned or in appropriate cases an individual employee, the span of hours over which shifts may be worked may be altered by up to one hour at either end of the span.

(c) **Afternoon or night shift**

An employee working on afternoon or night shift must be paid **115%** of the ordinary hourly rate.

(d) **Afternoon and night shift—non-successive shifts**

An employee who works on an afternoon or night shift which does not continue:

- (i) for at least five successive afternoon or night shifts or six successive afternoon or night shifts in a six day workshop (where no more than eight ordinary hours are worked on each shift); or
- (ii) for at least 38 ordinary hours (where more than eight ordinary hours are worked on each shift and the shift arrangement is in accordance with clauses 13.3 or 13.5),

must be paid for each shift **150%** of the ordinary hourly rate for the first three hours and **200%** of the ordinary hourly rate for the remaining hours.

(e) **Permanent night shift**

An employee who:

- (i) during a period of engagement on shift, works night shift only; or
- (ii) remains on night shift for a longer period than four consecutive weeks; or
- (iii) works on a night shift which does not rotate or alternate with another shift or with day work so as to give the employee at least one third of their working time off night shift in each cycle,

must be paid **130%** of the ordinary hourly rate for all time worked during ordinary working hours on such night shift.

(f) Work on shifts other than rostered shifts

Where an employee works on a shift other than a rostered shift, the employee must:

- (i) if employed on continuous work, be paid at **200%** of the ordinary hourly rate; or
- (ii) if employed on other shiftwork, be paid at **150%** of the ordinary hourly rate for the first three hours and **200%** of the ordinary hourly rate thereafter.

(g) Clause 29.2(f) does not apply when the time is worked:

- (i) by arrangement between the employees themselves;
- (ii) for the purposes of effecting the customary rotation of shifts; or
- (iii) on a shift to which the employee is transferred on short notice as an alternative to standing the employee off in circumstances which would entitle the employer to deduct payment in accordance with [Part 3–5](#) of the Act.

(h) Rate for working on Saturday shifts

- (i) A shiftworker must be paid **150%** of the ordinary hourly rate for all work performed on a Saturday.
- (ii) This rate is in substitution for shift penalties in clauses 29.2(c), 29.2(d) and 29.2(e).

(i) Rate for working on Sunday and public holiday shifts

- (i) A continuous shiftworker **on a rostered shift** must be paid **200%** of the ordinary hourly rate where the major portion of a shift falls on a Sunday or public holiday.
- (ii) A shiftworker on other than continuous work must be paid **200%** of the ordinary hourly rate for all time worked on a Sunday.
- (iii) A shiftworker on other than continuous work must be paid **250%** of the ordinary hourly rate for all time worked on a public holiday.
- (iv) Where shifts commence between 11.00 pm and midnight on a Sunday or public holiday, the time so worked before midnight does not entitle the employee to the Sunday or public holiday rate for the shift. However, the time worked by an employee on a shift commencing before midnight on the day preceding a Sunday or public holiday and extending into the Sunday or public holiday must be regarded as time worked on the Sunday or public holiday and paid in accordance with clauses 29.2(i)(ii) and (iii).
- (v) Where shifts fall partly on a holiday, the shift which has the major portion falling on the public holiday must be regarded as the holiday shift. By agreement between the employer and the majority of employees

concerned, the shift which has the minor portion falling on the public holiday may be regarded as the holiday shift instead.

- (vi) The rates in clause 29.2(i) are in substitution for shift penalties in clauses 29.2(c), 29.2(d) and 29.2(e).

30. Shiftwork and rates—vehicle manufacturing employees

30.1 Penalty rates for shiftworkers

- (a) For the purposes of this Section:
 - (i) **afternoon shift** means a shift commencing not later than 6.00 pm on any day.
 - (ii) **night shift** means a shift commencing at any time after 6.00 pm on any day.
- (b) The shift premiums in clause 30.1(b) are only payable to an employee who works an afternoon or night shift (other than a continuous work shift) that:
 - (i) does not continue for five successive working afternoons or nights or more in a five day workshop or six successive afternoons or nights or more in a six day workshop or for at least the number of ordinary hours prescribed by one of the alternative arrangements in clauses 13.4(c) and 13.4(e)(iv); or
 - (ii) which has been in operation for five successive afternoons or nights or more in a five day workshop or six successive afternoons or nights or more in a six day workshop will be paid the following amounts:

Shift (non-continuous)	% of minimum hourly rate
Night shift only	130%
Alternating night and afternoon shifts	118%
Alternating day and night shifts—rate for the night shift	112.5%
Afternoon shift only	118%
Alternating day and afternoon shifts—rate for the afternoon shift	112.5%
Alternating day, afternoon and night shifts—rate for the afternoon and night shift	112.5%

The cross references in 30.1(c) have been changed to reflect the provision in clause 6.4.3(c) of the [AP801818CRV – Vehicle Industry Award 2000](#).

- (c) The extra rates prescribed above will be payable only when shifts are changed once in every three weeks or shift cycle agreed pursuant to clause 13.4(c) or

clause 13.6(c), otherwise the extra rates prescribed for night shifts and afternoon shifts will apply.

(d) An employee working continuous work shifts will whilst on an afternoon or night shift be paid at the rate of **112.5% of the minimum hourly rate**.

(e) The minimum rate to be paid to a shiftworker for work performed between midnight on Friday and midnight on a Saturday will be **125% of the minimum hourly rate**. This rate will be in substitution for and not cumulative upon the shift premiums prescribed in clauses 30.1(b)(ii) and 30.1(d).

30.2 Payments stand alone

Payments prescribed by clause 30.1 will stand alone and will not be included for any other purposes of this award.

31. Overtime

31.1 Definition of overtime

- (a) Overtime work is any work performed outside the ordinary hours on any day or shift as defined by clauses 13.2, 13.3 and 13.5.
- (b) For the purposes of clause 30, **ordinary hours** means the hours worked in an enterprise, fixed in accordance with clause 13—Ordinary hours of work and rostering.
- (c) Overtime work for a part-time employee is any work performed in excess of the hours agreed under clauses 6.3(c) and (d).
- (d) The hourly rate, when computing overtime, is determined by dividing the appropriate weekly rate by 38, even in cases when an employee works more than 38 ordinary hours in a week.
- (e) In computing overtime each day's work stands alone.

~~The rates of pay for casual employees working overtime will be reviewed by the Casual Employment Full Bench in [AM2014/197](#).~~

31.2 Payment for overtime—other than continuous shiftworkers

Employees will be paid the following rates for overtime worked (except as otherwise provided in clauses 31.3, 31.8, 31.6, 31.7):

- (a) **150%** of the ordinary hourly rate for the first three hours; and
- (b) **200%** of the ordinary hourly rate thereafter.

31.3 Unrelieved shiftwork on rostered day off

- (a) If an employee is ~~be~~ required to work on their rostered day off because of the absence of a relieving employee, the unrelieved shiftworker must be paid **200%** of the ordinary hourly rate for all hours worked on their rostered day off.

- (b) This clause applies when not less than 7.6 hours' notice has been given to the employer by a relief shiftworker that the relief shiftworker will be absent from work.

31.4 Payment for overtime—continuous shiftworkers

A continuous shiftworker working overtime will be paid **200%** of the ordinary hourly rate.

31.5 Saturday work—day worker

A day worker required to work overtime on a Saturday must be paid **150%** of the ordinary hourly rate for the first three hours and **200%** of the ordinary hourly rate thereafter with a minimum payment of four hours.

31.6 Sunday work

An employee required to work overtime on a Sunday must be paid **200%** of the ordinary hourly rate until the employee is relieved from duty with a minimum payment of three hours.

31.7 Public holiday work

- (a) A day worker required to work overtime on a public holiday must be paid **250%** of the ordinary hourly rate until the employee is relieved from duty with a minimum payment of three hours.
- (b) A continuous shiftworker required to work overtime on a public holiday must be paid **200%** of the ordinary hourly rate with a minimum payment of three hours.
- (c) A non-continuous shiftworker required to work overtime on a public holiday must be paid **250%** of the ordinary hourly rate until the employee is relieved from duty with a minimum payment of three hours.

31.8 Time off instead of payment for overtime

This provision may be affected by [AM2014/300](#) – see [draft determination](#)

An employee may elect, with the consent of the employer, to take time off instead of payment for overtime at a time or times agreed with the employer, provided that:

- (a) overtime taken as time off during ordinary hours must be taken at the ordinary hourly rate, that is an hour for each hour worked; and
- (b) an employer must, if requested by an employee provide payment, at the rate provided for the payment of overtime in this clause for any overtime worked that has not been taken as time off instead of payment for overtime within four weeks of accrual.

31.9 Time off instead of payment for overtime

- (a) An employee and employer may agree in writing to the employee taking time off instead of being paid for a particular amount of overtime that has been worked by the employee.

- (b)** Any amount of overtime that has been worked by an employee in a particular pay period and that is to be taken as time off instead of the employee being paid for it must be the subject of a separate agreement under clause 31.8.
- (c)** An agreement must state each of the following:
 - (i)** the number of overtime hours to which it applies and when those hours were worked;
 - (ii)** that the employer and employee agree that the employee may take time off instead of being paid for the overtime;
 - (iii)** that, if the employee requests at any time, the employer must pay the employee, for overtime covered by the agreement but not taken as time off, at the overtime rate applicable to the overtime when worked;
 - (iv)** that any payment mentioned in subparagraph (iii) must be made in the next pay period following the request.

Note: An example of the type of agreement required by this clause is set out at Schedule L. There is no requirement to use the form of agreement set out at Schedule L. An agreement under clause 31.8 can also be made by an exchange of emails between the employee and employer, or by other electronic means.

- (d)** The period of time off that an employee is entitled to take is the same as the number of overtime hours worked.

EXAMPLE: By making an agreement under clause 31.8 an employee who worked 2 overtime hours is entitled to 2 hours' time off.

- (e)** Time off must be taken:
 - (i)** within the period of 6 months after the overtime is worked; and
 - (ii)** at a time or times within that period of 6 months agreed by the employee and employer.
- (f)** If the employee requests at any time, to be paid for overtime covered by an agreement under clause 31.8 but not taken as time off, the employer must pay the employee for the overtime, in the next pay period following the request, at the overtime rate applicable to the overtime when worked.
- (g)** If time off for overtime that has been worked is not taken within the period of 6 months mentioned in paragraph (e), the employer must pay the employee for the overtime, in the next pay period following those 6 months, at the overtime rate applicable to the overtime when worked.
- (h)** The employer must keep a copy of any agreement under clause 31.8 as an employee record.
- (i)** An employer must not exert undue influence or undue pressure on an employee in relation to a decision by the employee to make, or not make, an agreement to take time off instead of payment for overtime.
- (j)** An employee may, under section 65 of the Act, request to take time off, at a time or times specified in the request or to be subsequently agreed by the

employer and the employee, instead of being paid for overtime worked by the employee. If the employer agrees to the request then clause 31.8 will apply, including the requirement for separate written agreements under paragraph (b) for overtime that has been worked.

Note: If an employee makes a request under section 65 of the Act for a change in working arrangements, the employer may only refuse that request on reasonable business grounds (see section 65(5) of the Act).

- (k) If, on the termination of the employee's employment, time off for overtime worked by the employee to which clause 31.8 applies has not been taken, the employer must pay the employee for the overtime at the overtime rate applicable to the overtime when worked.

Note: Under section 345(1) of the Act, a person must not knowingly or recklessly make a false or misleading representation about the workplace rights of another person under clause 31.8.

31.10 Requirement to work reasonable overtime

- (a) Subject to clause 31.10(b) an employer may require an employee to work reasonable overtime at overtime rates.
- (b) An employee may refuse to work overtime in circumstances where the working of overtime would result in the employee working hours which are unreasonable having regard to:
 - (i) Any risk to employee health and safety;
 - (ii) the employee's personal circumstances including any family responsibilities;
 - (iii) the needs of the workplace or enterprise;
 - (iv) the notice, if any given by the employer of the overtime and by the employee of their intention to refuse it; and
 - (v) any other relevant matter.

31.11 One in, all in does not apply

The assignment of overtime by an employer to an employee is to be based on specific work requirements. The practice of one in, all in overtime must not apply.

31.12 Rest break

- (a) An employee working overtime must be allowed a rest break of 20 minutes without deduction of pay after each four hours of overtime worked if the employee is to continue work after the rest break.
- (b) Where a day worker is required to work overtime on a Saturday, Sunday or public holiday or on a rostered day off, the first rest break must be paid at the employee's **ordinary hourly rate** ~~applicable rate of pay~~.

- (c) Where overtime is to be worked immediately after the completion of ordinary hours on a day or shift and the period of overtime is to be more than one and a half hours, an employee, before starting the overtime, is entitled to a rest break of 20 minutes to be paid at the **rate of pay applying to the employee immediately prior to the scheduled meal break.** ~~employee's applicable rate of pay.~~
- (d) An employer and employee may agree to any variation of clause 31.12 to meet the circumstances of the work in hand provided that the employer is not required to make any payment in excess of or less than what would otherwise be required under clause 31.12.
- (e) An employee entitled to a rest break in clause 31.12 may be entitled to a meal allowance in accordance with clause 27.2(c).

31.13 Rest period after overtime

- (a) When overtime work is necessary it must, wherever reasonably practicable, be arranged so that an employee has at least 10 consecutive hours off duty between the work of successive working days.
- (b) An employee, other than a casual employee, who works so much overtime between the termination of their ordinary hours on one day and the commencement of their ordinary hours on the next day that the employee has not had at least 10 consecutive hours off duty between those times must, subject to the other provisions of clause 31.13, be released after completion of the overtime until the employee has had 10 consecutive hours off duty without loss of pay for ordinary hours occurring during the absence.

The exclusion of casual employees from this provision is being reviewed by the Casual Employment Full Bench in [AM2014/197](#).

- (c) If on the instructions of the employer an employee resumes or continues work without having had 10 consecutive hours off duty the employee must be paid at **200%** of the ordinary hourly rate until the employee is released from duty. The employee is then entitled to be absent until the employee has had 10 consecutive hours off duty without loss of pay for ordinary hours occurring during the absence.
- (d) By agreement between the employer and individual employee, the 10 hour break provided for in clause 31.13 may be reduced to a period of no less than eight hours.
- (e) The provisions of clause 31.13 will apply in the case of a shiftworker as if eight hours were substituted for 10 hours when overtime is worked:
 - (i) for the purpose of changing shift rosters; or
 - (ii) where a shiftworker does not report for duty and a day worker or a shiftworker is required to replace the shiftworker; or
 - (iii) where a shift is worked by arrangement between the employees themselves.

31.14 Call back

- (a) An employee recalled to work overtime after leaving the enterprise, whether notified before or after leaving the enterprise, must be paid:
 - (i) for a minimum of four hours at **150%** of the ordinary hourly rate for the first three hours and **200%** of the ordinary hourly rate thereafter; or
 - (ii) if the employee is a continuous shiftworker, at **200%** of the ordinary hourly rate for the full period;

provided that:

- (b) Where an employee is required to regularly hold themselves in readiness for a call back they must be paid for a minimum of three hours work at the appropriate overtime rate, subject to clause 31.15 which deals with the conditions for standing by.
- (c) If the employee is recalled on more than one occasion between the termination of their ordinary hours on one day and the commencement of their ordinary hours on the next working day they are entitled to the three or four hour minimum overtime payment provided for in clause 31.14 for each call back. However, in such circumstances, it is only the time which is actually worked during the previous call or calls which is to be taken into account when determining the overtime rate for subsequent calls.
- (d) Except in the case of unforeseen circumstances arising, an employee must not be required to work the full three or four hours as the case may be if the job they were recalled to perform is completed within a shorter period.
- (e) This clause does not apply in cases where it is customary for an employee to return to the enterprise to perform a specific job outside the employee's ordinary hours or where the overtime is continuous, subject to a meal break, with the commencement or completion of ordinary hours.
- (f) Overtime worked in the circumstances specified in this clause is not to be regarded as overtime for the purposes of clause 31.13 concerning rest periods after overtime, when the actual time worked is less than three hours on the call back or on each call back.

31.15 Standing by

Subject to any custom prevailing at an enterprise, where an employee is required regularly to hold themselves in readiness to work after ordinary hours, the employee must be paid standing by time at the employee's **ordinary hourly rate** ~~applicable rate of pay~~ for the time they are standing by.

31.16 Transport of employees

When an employee, after having worked overtime or a shift for which they have not been regularly rostered, finishes work at a time when reasonable means of transport are not available, the employer must provide the employee with a conveyance home, or pay the employee at the overtime rate for the time reasonably occupied in reaching home.

Part 6—Leave, Public Holidays and Other NES Entitlements

32. Annual leave

31 amended in accordance with [PR583028](#). (31.3(d) inserted; 31.6 renamed and substituted; 31.7 – 31.9 renumbered as 31.9 – 31.12; new 31.7 – 31.8 inserted)

32.1 Annual leave is provided for in the NES. Annual leave does not apply to a casual employee.

32.2 Definition of shiftworker

For the purpose of the additional week of annual leave provided for in s.87(1)(b) of the Act, a **shiftworker** is a seven day shiftworker who is regularly rostered to work on Sundays and public holidays.

32.3 Payment for annual leave

- (a) Instead of the **base rate of pay** as referred to in [s.90\(1\)](#) of the Act, an employee under this award, before going on annual leave, must be paid the wages they would have received in respect of the ordinary hours the employee would have worked had the employee not been on leave during the relevant period.
- (b) Subject to clause 32.3(c), the wages to be paid must be worked out on the basis of what the employee would have been paid under this award for working ordinary hours during the period of annual leave, including allowances, loadings and penalties paid for all purposes of the award, first aid allowance and any other wages payable under the employee's contract of employment including any overaward payment.
- (c) Subject to clause 32.4, the employee is not entitled to payments in respect of overtime, shift loading, weekend penalty rates, special rates or any other payment which might have been payable to the employee as a reimbursement for expenses incurred.

32.4 Annual leave loading

- (a) During a period of annual leave an employee must also be paid a loading calculated on the wages prescribed in clause 32.3.
- (b) The loading must be as follows:

- (i) **Day work**

An employee who would have worked on day work only had they not been on leave must be paid a loading equal to **17.5%** of the wages prescribed in clause 32.3 or the relevant weekend penalty rates, whichever is the greater but not both.

- (ii) **Shiftwork**

An employee who would have worked on shiftwork had they not been on leave must be paid a loading equal to **17.5%** of the wages prescribed in

clause 32.3 or the shift loading including relevant weekend penalty rates, whichever is the greater but not both.

32.5 Conversion to hourly entitlement

An employer may reach agreement with the majority of employees concerned to convert the annual leave entitlement in [s.87](#) of the Act to an hourly entitlement for administrative ease (i.e. 152 hours for a full-time employee entitled to four weeks of annual leave and 190 hours for a shiftworker as defined in clause 32.2).

32.6 Taking excessive annual leave

Notwithstanding [s.88](#) of the Act, if an employer has genuinely tried to reach agreement with an employee as to the timing of taking annual leave, the employer can require the employee to take annual leave by giving not less than four weeks' notice of the time when such leave is to be taken if:

- (a) at the time the direction is given, the employee has eight weeks or more of annual leave accrued; and
- (b) the amount of annual leave the employee is directed to take is less than or equal to a quarter of the amount of leave accrued.

32.7 Excessive leave accruals: general provision

Note: Clauses 32.7 to 32.9 contain provisions, additional to the National Employment Standards, about the taking of paid annual leave as a way of dealing with the accrual of excessive paid annual leave. See Part 2.2, Division 6 of the Fair Work Act.

- (a) An employee has an **excessive leave accrual** if the employee has accrued more than 8 weeks' paid annual leave (or 10 weeks' paid annual leave for a shiftworker, as defined by clause 32.2).
- (b) If an employee has an excessive leave accrual, the employer or the employee may seek to confer with the other and genuinely try to reach agreement on how to reduce or eliminate the excessive leave accrual.
- (c) Clause 32.8 sets out how an employer may direct an employee who has an excessive leave accrual to take paid annual leave.
- (d) Clause 32.9 sets out how an employee who has an excessive leave accrual may require an employer to grant paid annual leave requested by the employee.

32.8 Excessive leave accruals: direction by employer that leave be taken

- (a) If an employer has genuinely tried to reach agreement with an employee under clause 32.7(b) but agreement is not reached (including because the employee refuses to confer), the employer may direct the employee in writing to take one or more periods of paid annual leave.
- (b) However, a direction by the employer under paragraph (a):
 - (i) is of no effect if it would result at any time in the employee's remaining accrued entitlement to paid annual leave being less than 6 weeks when any other paid annual leave arrangements (whether made under clause

32.7, 32.8 or 32.9 or otherwise agreed by the employer and employee) are taken into account; and

- (ii) must not require the employee to take any period of paid annual leave of less than one week; and
 - (iii) must not require the employee to take a period of paid annual leave beginning less than 8 weeks, or more than 12 months, after the direction is given; and
 - (iv) must not be inconsistent with any leave arrangement agreed by the employer and employee.
- (c) The employee must take paid annual leave in accordance with a direction under paragraph (a) that is in effect.
- (d) An employee to whom a direction has been given under paragraph (a) may request to take a period of paid annual leave as if the direction had not been given.

Note 1: Paid annual leave arising from a request mentioned in paragraph (d) may result in the direction ceasing to have effect. See clause 32.8(b)(i).

Note 2: Under section 88(2) of the Fair Work Act, the employer must not unreasonably refuse to agree to a request by the employee to take paid annual leave.

32.9 Excessive leave accruals: request by employee for leave

- (a) Clause 32.9 comes into operation from 29 July 2017.
- (b) If an employee has genuinely tried to reach agreement with an employer under clause 32.7(b) but agreement is not reached (including because the employer refuses to confer), the employee may give a written notice to the employer requesting to take one or more periods of paid annual leave.
- (c) However, an employee may only give a notice to the employer under paragraph (b) if:
- (i) the employee has had an excessive leave accrual for more than 6 months at the time of giving the notice; and
 - (ii) the employee has not been given a direction under clause 32.8(a) that, when any other paid annual leave arrangements (whether made under clause 32.7, 32.8 or 32.9 or otherwise agreed by the employer and employee) are taken into account, would eliminate the employee's excessive leave accrual.
- (d) A notice given by an employee under paragraph (b) must not:
- (i) if granted, result in the employee's remaining accrued entitlement to paid annual leave being at any time less than 6 weeks when any other paid annual leave arrangements (whether made under clause 32.7, 32.8 or 32.9 or otherwise agreed by the employer and employee) are taken into account; or

- (ii) provide for the employee to take any period of paid annual leave of less than one week; or
 - (iii) provide for the employee to take a period of paid annual leave beginning less than 8 weeks, or more than 12 months, after the notice is given; or
 - (iv) be inconsistent with any leave arrangement agreed by the employer and employee.
- (e) An employee is not entitled to request by a notice under paragraph (b) more than 4 weeks' paid annual leave (or 5 weeks' paid annual leave for a shiftworker, as defined by clause 32.2) in any period of 12 months.
- (f) The employer must grant paid annual leave requested by a notice under paragraph (b).

32.10 Annual close down

Notwithstanding [s.88](#) of the Act and clause 32.6, an employer may close down an enterprise or part of it for the purpose of allowing annual leave to all or the majority of the employees in the enterprise or part concerned, provided that:

- (a) the employer gives not less than four weeks' notice of intention to do so; and
- (b) an employee who has accrued sufficient leave to cover the period of the close down, is allowed leave and also paid for that leave at the appropriate wage in accordance with clauses 32.3 and 32.4; and
- (c) an employee who has not accrued sufficient leave to cover part or all of the close down, is allowed paid leave for the period for which they have accrued sufficient leave and given unpaid leave for the remainder of the closedown; and
- (d) any leave taken by an employee as a result of a close down pursuant to clause 32.10 also counts as service by the employee with their employer; and
- (e) the employer may only close down the enterprise or part of it pursuant to clause 32.10 for one or two separate periods in a year; and
- (f) if the employer closes down the enterprise or part of it pursuant to clause 32.10 in two separate periods, one of the periods must be for a period of at least 14 consecutive days including non-working days; and
- (g) the employer and the majority of employees concerned may agree to the enterprise or part of it being closed down pursuant to clause 32.10 for three separate periods in a year provided that one of the periods is a period of at least 14 days including non-working days; and
- (h) the employer may close down the enterprise or part of it for a period of at least 14 days including non-working days and allow the balance of any annual leave to be taken in one continuous period in accordance with a roster.

32.11 ~~Paid leave in advance of accrual~~

~~By agreement between an employer and an employee, a period of annual leave may be taken in advance of the entitlement accruing. Provided that if leave is taken in advance, and the employment terminates before the entitlement has accrued, the~~

~~employer may make a corresponding deduction from any money due to the employee on termination.~~

32.12 Annual leave in advance

- (a) An employer and employee may agree in writing to the employee taking a period of paid annual leave before the employee has accrued an entitlement to the leave.
- (b) An agreement must:
 - (i) state the amount of leave to be taken in advance and the date on which leave is to commence; and
 - (ii) be signed by the employer and employee and, if the employee is under 18 years of age, by the employee's parent or guardian.

Note: An example of the type of agreement required by clause 32.12 is set out at Schedule J. There is no requirement to use the form of agreement set out at Schedule J.

- (c) The employer must keep a copy of any agreement under clause 32.12 as an employee record.
- (d) If, on the termination of the employee's employment, the employee has not accrued an entitlement to all of a period of paid annual leave already taken in accordance with an agreement under clause 32.12, the employer may deduct from any money due to the employee on termination an amount equal to the amount that was paid to the employee in respect of any part of the period of annual leave taken in advance to which an entitlement has not been accrued.

32.13 Deferment of annual leave

A employee engaged in the technical field and employer may agree to defer payment of the annual leave loading in respect of annual leave taken in single days, until at least five consecutive annual leave days are taken.

32.14 Leave on termination

On termination of employment, an employee must be paid for annual leave accrued that has not been taken at the appropriate wage calculated in accordance with clause 32.3.

NOTE: Where an employee is receiving overaward payments such that the employee's base rate of pay is higher than the rate specified under this award, the employee is entitled to receive the higher rate while on a period of paid annual leave (see ss.16 and 90 of the Act).

32.15 Cashing out of annual leave

- (a) Paid annual leave must not be cashed out except in accordance with an agreement under clause 32.15.
- (b) Each cashing out of a particular amount of paid annual leave must be the subject of a separate agreement under clause 32.15.

- (c) An employer and an employee may agree in writing to the cashing out of a particular amount of accrued paid annual leave by the employee.
- (d) An agreement under clause 32.15 must state:
 - (i) the amount of leave to be cashed out and the payment to be made to the employee for it; and
 - (ii) the date on which the payment is to be made.
- (e) An agreement under clause 32.15 must be signed by the employer and employee and, if the employee is under 18 years of age, by the employee's parent or guardian.
- (f) The payment must not be less than the amount that would have been payable had the employee taken the leave at the time the payment is made.
- (g) An agreement must not result in the employee's remaining accrued entitlement to paid annual leave being less than 4 weeks.
- (h) The maximum amount of accrued paid annual leave that may be cashed out in any period of 12 months is 2 weeks.
- (i) The employer must keep a copy of any agreement under clause 32.15 as an employee record.

Note 1: Under section 344 of the Fair Work Act, an employer must not exert undue influence or undue pressure on an employee to make, or not make, an agreement under clause 32.15.

Note 2: Under section 345(1) of the Fair Work Act, a person must not knowingly or recklessly make a false or misleading representation about the workplace rights of another person under clause 32.15.

Note 3: An example of the type of agreement required by clause 32.15 is set out at Schedule K. There is no requirement to use the form of agreement set out at Schedule K.

33. Personal/carer's leave and compassionate leave

Personal/carer's leave and compassionate leave are provided for in the NES.

34. Parental leave and related entitlements

Parental leave and related entitlements are provided for in the NES.

35. Public holidays

35.1 Public holidays are provided for in the NES.

35.2 Where an employee works on a public holiday they will be paid in accordance with **clauses 13.2(g), 29.1(b), 29.2(i) and 31.7** ~~0, 13.2(g) and 30.6.~~

35.3 Clause 6.3(i) applies in relation to part-time employees and public holidays.

35.4 Substitution of certain public holidays by agreement at the enterprise

- (a) By agreement between the employer and the majority of employees in the enterprise or part of the enterprise concerned, an alternative day may be taken as the public holiday instead of any of the prescribed days.
- (b) An employer and an individual employee may agree to the employee taking another day as the public holiday instead of the day which is being observed as the public holiday in the enterprise or part of the enterprise concerned.

35.5 Rostered day off falling on public holiday

- (a) Except as provided for in clauses 35.5(b) and (c) and except where the rostered day off falls on a Saturday or a Sunday, where a full-time employee's ordinary hours of work are structured to include a day off and such day off falls on a public holiday, the employee is entitled, at the discretion of the employer, to either:
 - (i) 7.6 hours of pay at the **ordinary hourly rate** ~~applicable rate of pay~~; or
 - (ii) 7.6 hours of extra annual leave; or
 - (iii) a substitute day off on an alternative week day.
- (b) Where an employee has credited time accumulated pursuant to clause 24.6, then such credited time should not be taken as a day off on a public holiday.
- (c) If an employee is rostered to take credited time accumulated pursuant to clause 24.6 as a day off on a week day and such week day is prescribed as a public holiday after the employee was given notice of the day off, then the employer must allow the employee to take the time off on an alternative week day.
- (d) Clauses 35.5(b) and (c) do not apply in relation to days off which are specified in an employee's regular roster or pattern of ordinary hours as clause 35.5(a) applies to such days off.

35.6 Public holiday work—employees engaged in the technical field

By mutual agreement between the employer and the employee concerned, one day may be given for each public holiday worked and the day worked will be paid at ordinary rates instead of the penalty rates for public holidays specified in clause 29.1(b).

35.7 Part-day public holidays

For provisions relating to part-day public holidays see Schedule H—2016 Part-day public holidays.

36. Community service leave

36.1 Community service leave is provided for in the NES.

36.2 Reimbursement for jury service

- (a) A full-time employee required to attend for jury service during their ordinary hours of work must be reimbursed by the employer an amount equal to the difference between the amount paid to the employee in respect of the employee's attendance for such jury service and the wages the employee would have received in respect of the ordinary hours the employee would have worked had the employee not been on jury service.
- (b) Where a part-time employee is required to attend for jury service and such attendance coincides with a day on which the employee would normally be required to work, payment must be made to the employee in accordance with clause 36.2(a).

37. Absence from duty

Unless a provision of this award or the Act states otherwise, an employee not attending for duty loses their pay for the actual time of such non-attendance.

38. Abandonment of employment

- 38.1** The absence of an employee from work for a continuous period exceeding three working days without the consent of the employer and without notification to the employer is prima facie evidence that the employee has abandoned their employment.
- 38.2** If within a period of 14 days from their last attendance at work or the date of their last absence in respect of which notification has been given or consent has been granted an employee has not established to the satisfaction of their employer that they were absent for reasonable cause, the employee is deemed to have abandoned their employment.
- 38.3** Termination of employment by abandonment in accordance with clause 38—Abandonment of employment operates as from the date of the last attendance at work or the last day's absence in respect of which consent was granted, or the date of the last absence in respect of which notification was given to the employer, whichever is the later.

39. Termination of employment

39.1 Notice of termination is provided for in the NES.

39.2 Notice of termination by an employee

The notice of termination required to be given by an employee is the same as that required of an employer except that there is no requirement on the employee to give additional notice based on the age of the employee concerned. If an employee fails to give the required notice, the employer may **from** any ~~money~~ monies due to the employee on termination under this award or the NES, an amount not exceeding the amount the employee would have been paid under this award in respect of the period of notice required by the NES, less any period of notice actually given by the

employee.

39.3 Job search entitlement

Where an employer has given notice of termination to an employee, an employee must be allowed up to one day's time off without loss of pay for the purpose of seeking other employment. The time off is to be taken at times that are convenient to the employee after consultation with the employer.

40. Redundancy

This provision is being reviewed in [AM2014/190](#)

40.1 Redundancy pay is provided for in the NES.

40.2 Small furnishing employer

- (a) For the purposes of clause 40.2(b), **small employer** means an employer to whom Subdivision B of Division 11 of the NES does not apply because of the provisions of s.121(1)(b) of the Act.
- (b) Despite the terms of s.121(1)(b) of the Act the remaining provisions of Subdivisions B and C of Division 11 of the NES apply in relation to an employee of a small employer who performs any of the work within the Manufacturing and Associated Industries and Occupations which immediately prior to 1 January 2010 was in clauses 6.1 to 6.6 of the *Furnishing Industry National Award 2003*, except that the amount of redundancy pay to which such an employee is entitled must be calculated in accordance with the following table:

Employee's period of continuous service with the employer on termination	Redundancy pay period
Less than 1 year	Nil
At least 1 year but less than 2 years	4 weeks' pay
At least 2 years but less than 3 years	6 weeks' pay
At least 3 years but less than 4 years	7 weeks' pay
At least 4 years and over	8 weeks' pay

40.3 Transfer to lower paid duties

Where an employee is transferred to lower paid duties by reason of redundancy, the same period of notice must be given as if the employment had been terminated and the employer may, at the employer's option, make payment instead. The payment will be equal to the difference between the former applicable rate of pay and the applicable rate of pay for the number of weeks of notice still owing.

40.4 Employee leaving during notice period

An employee given notice of termination in circumstances of redundancy may terminate their employment during the period of notice. The employee is entitled to receive the benefits and payments they would have received under this clause had they remained in employment until the expiry of the notice, but is not entitled to payment instead of notice.

40.5 Job search entitlement

- (a) An employee given notice of termination in circumstances of redundancy must be allowed up to one day's time off without loss of pay during each week of notice for the purpose of seeking other employment.
- (b) If the employee has been allowed paid leave for more than one day during the notice period for the purpose of seeking other employment, the employee must, at the request of the employer, produce proof of attendance at an interview or they will not be entitled to payment for the time absent. For this purpose a statutory declaration is sufficient.
- (c) This entitlement applies instead of clause 39.3.

Part 7—Consultation and Dispute Resolution

41. Consultation

41.1 Consultation regarding major workplace change

(a) Employers to notify

- (i) Where an employer has made a definite decision to introduce major changes in production, program, organisation, structure or technology that are likely to have significant effects on employees, the employer must notify the employees who may be affected by the proposed changes and their representatives, if any.
- (ii) **Significant effects** include termination of employment; major changes in the composition, operation or size of the employer's workforce or in the skills required; the elimination or diminution of job opportunities, promotion opportunities or job tenure; the alteration of hours of work; the need for retraining or transfer of employees to other work or locations; and the restructuring of jobs. Provided that where this award makes provision for alteration of any of these matters an alteration is deemed not to have significant effect.

(b) Employers to discuss change

- (i) The employer must discuss with the employees affected and their representatives, if any, the introduction of the changes referred to in clause 41.1(a), the effects the changes are likely to have on employees and measures to avert or mitigate the adverse effects of such changes on

employees and must give prompt consideration to matters raised by the employees and/or their representatives in relation to the changes.

- (ii) The discussions must commence as early as practicable after a definite decision has been made by the employer to make the changes referred to in clause 41.1(a).
- (iii) For the purposes of such discussion, the employer must provide in writing to the employees concerned and their representatives, if any, all relevant information about the changes including the nature of the changes proposed, the expected effects of the changes on employees and any other matters likely to affect employees provided that no employer is required to disclose confidential information the disclosure of which would be contrary to the employer's interests.

41.2 Consultation about changes to rosters or hours of work

- (a) Where an employer proposes to change an employee's regular roster or ordinary hours of work, the employer must consult with the employee or employees affected and their representatives, if any, about the proposed change.
- (b) The employer must:
 - (i) provide to the employee or employees affected and their representatives, if any, information about the proposed change (for example, information about the nature of the change to the employee's regular roster or ordinary hours of work and when that change is proposed to commence);
 - (ii) invite the employee or employees affected and their representatives, if any, to give their views about the impact of the proposed change (including any impact in relation to their family or caring responsibilities); and
 - (iii) give consideration to any views about the impact of the proposed change that are given by the employee or employees concerned and/or their representatives.
- (c) The requirement to consult under this clause does not apply where an employee has irregular, sporadic or unpredictable working hours.
- (d) These provisions are to be read in conjunction with other award provisions concerning the scheduling of work and notice requirements.

42. Dispute resolution

42.1 In the event of a dispute about a matter under this award, or a dispute in relation to the NES, in the first instance the parties must attempt to resolve the matter at the workplace by discussions between the employee or employees concerned and the relevant supervisor. If such discussions do not resolve the dispute, the parties will endeavour to resolve the dispute in a timely manner by discussions between the employee or employees concerned and more senior levels of management as appropriate.

- 42.2 If a dispute about a matter arising under this award or a dispute in relation to the NES is unable to be resolved at the workplace, and all appropriate steps under clause 42.1 have been taken, a party to the dispute may refer the dispute to the Fair Work Commission.
- 42.3 The parties may agree on the process to be utilised by the Fair Work Commission including mediation, conciliation and consent arbitration.
- 42.4 Where the matter in dispute remains unresolved, the Fair Work Commission may exercise any method of dispute resolution permitted by the Act that it considers appropriate to ensure the settlement of the dispute.
- 42.5 An employer or employee may appoint another person, organisation or association to accompany and/or represent them for the purposes of this clause.
- 42.6 While the dispute resolution procedure is being conducted, work must continue in accordance with this award and the Act. Subject to applicable occupational health and safety legislation, an employee must not unreasonably fail to comply with a direction by the employer to perform work, whether at the same or another workplace, that is safe and appropriate for the employee to perform.

43. **Dispute resolution procedure training leave**

- 43.1 Subject to clauses 43.7, 43.8 and 43.9, an eligible employee representative is entitled to, and the employer must grant, up to five days training leave with pay to attend courses which are directed at the enhancement of the operation of the dispute resolution procedure including its operation in connection with this award and with the Act, or with any relevant agreement which provides it is to be read in conjunction with this award.
- 43.2 An eligible employee representative must give the employer six weeks' notice of the employee representative's intention to attend such courses and the leave to be taken, or such shorter period of notice as the employer may agree to accept.
- 43.3 The notice to the employer must include details of the type, content and duration of the course to be attended.
- 43.4 The taking of such leave must be arranged having regard to the operational requirements of the employer so as to minimise any adverse effect on those requirements.
- 43.5 An eligible employee representative taking such leave must be paid the wages the employee would have received in respect of the ordinary time the employee would have worked had they not been on leave during the relevant period.
- 43.6 Leave of absence granted pursuant to clause 43—Dispute resolution procedure training leave counts as service for all purposes of this award.
- 43.7 For the purpose of determining the entitlement of employee representatives to dispute resolution procedure training leave, an **eligible employee representative** is an employee:
- (a) who is a shop steward, a delegate, or an employee representative duly elected or appointed by the employees in an enterprise or workplace generally or

collectively for all or part of an enterprise or workplace for the purpose of representing those employees in the dispute resolution procedure; and

- (b) who is within the class and number of employee representatives entitled from year to year to take paid dispute resolution procedure training leave according to the following quota table:

Number of employees employed by the employer in an enterprise or workplace	Maximum number of eligible employee representatives entitled per year
5–15	1
16–30	2
31–50	3
51–90	4
More than 90	5

43.8 Where the number of eligible employee representatives exceeds the quota at any particular time for a relevant enterprise or workplace, priority of entitlement for the relevant year must be resolved by agreement between those entitled or, if not agreed, be given to the more senior of the employee representatives otherwise eligible who seeks leave.

43.9 For the purpose of applying the quota table, **employees employed by the employer in an enterprise or workplace** are full-time and part-time employees, and casual employees with six months or more service, covered by this award who are employed by the employer and engaged in the enterprise or workplace to which the procedure established under clause 42—Dispute resolution applies.

Schedule A—Classification Structure and Definitions

A.1 The classification structure and definitions set out in clauses A.2 and A.3 apply to employees covered by this award, except where otherwise specified.

A.2 Classification structure

A.2.1 C1–C14 Levels

Classification levels	Classification title	Minimum training requirement	Wage relativity to C10 (see clause A.2.2)
C1	Professional Engineer Professional Scientist	Degree	180/210%
	<i>NOTE:</i> Professional Engineers and Professional Scientists in Level C1 are covered by the <i>Professional Employees Award 2010</i>		
C2(b)	Principal Technical Officer	Advanced Diploma or equivalent and sufficient additional training so as to enable the employee to meet the requirements of the relevant classification definition and to perform work within the scope of this level.	160%
C2(a)	Leading Technical Officer	Advanced Diploma or equivalent and sufficient additional training so as to enable the employee to meet the requirements of the relevant classification definition and to perform work within the scope of this level.	150%
	Principal Supervisor/ Trainer/Co-ordinator	Advanced Diploma or equivalent of which at least 50% of the competencies are in supervision/training.	

Classification levels	Classification title	Minimum training requirement	Wage relativity to C10 (see clause A.2.2)
C3	Engineering Associate/ Laboratory Technical Officer—Level II	Advanced Diploma of Engineering, Advanced Diploma of Laboratory Operations, or equivalent.	145%
C4	Engineering Associate/ Laboratory Technical Officer—Level I	80% towards an Advanced Diploma of Engineering, 80% towards an Advanced Diploma of Laboratory Operations, or equivalent.	135%
C5	Advanced Engineering Tradesperson—Level II	Diploma of Engineering—Advanced Trade, or equivalent.	130%
	Engineering/Laboratory Technician—Level V	Diploma of Engineering—Technical, Diploma of Laboratory Technology, or equivalent.	
C6	Advanced Engineering Tradesperson—Level I	C10 + 80% towards a Diploma of Engineering—Advanced Trade, or equivalent.	125%
	Engineering/Laboratory Technician—Level IV	50% towards an Advanced Diploma of Engineering, or 85% towards a Diploma of Engineering—Technical, 50% towards an Advanced Diploma of Laboratory Operations or 85% towards a Diploma of Laboratory Technology, or equivalent.	
C7	Engineering/ Manufacturing Tradesperson—Special Class Level II	Certificate IV in Engineering, or C10 + 60% towards a Diploma of Engineering, 60% towards a Diploma of Laboratory Technology, or equivalent.	115%

Classification levels	Classification title	Minimum training requirement	Wage relativity to C10 (see clause A.2.2)
	Engineering/Laboratory Technician—Level III	Certificate IV in Manufacturing Technology, provided that the minimum experience required for a Technology Cadet has been completed, or Certificate IV in Laboratory Techniques, or 45% towards an Advanced Diploma of Engineering, or 70% towards a Diploma of Engineering—Technical, 45% towards an Advanced Diploma of Laboratory Operations, or 70% towards a Diploma of Laboratory Technology, or equivalent	
C8	Engineering/Manufacturing Tradesperson—Special Class Level I	C10 + 40% towards a Diploma of Engineering, or equivalent	110%
	Engineering/Laboratory Technician—Level II	40% towards an Advanced Diploma of Engineering, or 60% towards a Diploma of Engineering—Technical, 40% towards an Advanced Diploma of Laboratory Operations, 60% towards a Diploma of Laboratory Technology, or equivalent	

Classification levels	Classification title	Minimum training requirement	Wage relativity to C10 (see clause A.2.2)
C9	Engineering/ Manufacturing Tradesperson—Level II	C10 + 20% towards a Diploma of Engineering or equivalent	105%
	Engineering/Laboratory Technician—Level I	Certificate III in Engineering—Technician, or Certificate III in Laboratory Skills, or Certificate III in Manufacturing Technology, provided that the minimum experience required for a Technology Cadet has been completed, or 50% towards a Diploma of Engineering, or equivalent	
C10	Engineering/ Manufacturing Tradesperson—Level I	Recognised Trade Certificate, or Certificate III in Engineering— Mechanical Trade, or Certificate III in Engineering—Fabrication Trade, or Certificate III in Engineering— Electrical/Electronic Trade, or equivalent	100%
	Engineering/ Manufacturing Systems Employee—Level V	Engineering Production Certificate III, or Certificate III in Engineering—Production Systems, or equivalent	
C11	Engineering/ Manufacturing Employee—Level IV Laboratory Tester	Engineering Production Certificate II, or Certificate II in Engineering—Production Technology, or Certificate II in Sampling and Measurement, or equivalent	92.4%
C12	Engineering/ Manufacturing Employee—Level III	Engineering Production Certificate I or Certificate II in Engineering, or equivalent	87.4%

Classification levels	Classification title	Minimum training requirement	Wage relativity to C10 (see clause A.2.2)
C13	Engineering/ Manufacturing Employee—Level II	In-house training	82%
C14	Engineering/ Manufacturing Employee—Level I	Up to 38 hours induction training	78%

A.2.2 The percentage wage relativities to C10 in the table in clause A.2.1 reflect the percentages prescribed in 1990 in *Re Metal Industry Award 1984—Part I* (M039 Print J2043). The minimum wages in this award do not reflect these relativities because some wage increases since 1990 have been expressed in dollar amounts rather than percentages and as a result have reduced the relativities.

A.2.3 Supervisor/Trainer/Coordinator

Where an employee is performing supervisory responsibilities, the employee is to be classified as a:

- (a) Supervisor/Trainer/Coordinator—Level I: 122% of the minimum wage paid to the highest technically qualified employee supervised or trained subject to clause 16.1(g)(i).
- (b) Supervisor/Trainer/Coordinator—Level II: 115% of the minimum wage paid to the highest paid employee supervised or trained subject to clause 16.1(g)(ii).
- (c) Supervisor/Trainer/Coordinator—Technical: 107% of the minimum wage applicable to the employee’s technical classification.

A.3 Classification definitions

A.3.1 The following classification definitions should be read in conjunction with:

- (a) the stream and field definitions in this award.
- (b) the following definitions:
 - (i) **Or equivalent** means:
 - any training which a registered provider (e.g. TAFE), or State recognition authority recognises as equivalent to a qualification which Manufacturing Skills Australia recognises for this level, which can include advanced standing through recognition of prior learning and/or overseas qualifications; or
 - where competencies meet the requirements set out in the Manufacturing Skills Australia competency standards in accordance with the National Metal and Engineering Competency Standards Implementation Guide.

(ii) **Work within the scope of this level** means:

- for an employee who does not hold a qualification listed as a minimum training requirement, that the employee can apply skills within the enterprise selected in accordance with the National Metal and Engineering Competency Standards Implementation Guide, provided that the competencies selected are competency standards recognised as relevant and appropriate by Manufacturing Skills Australia and endorsed by the National Skills Standards Council; or
- where an employee has a qualification, clause 16.4(c)(i) applies.

(iii) **Engineering Associate/Technician** is a generic term which includes technical officers in a wide range of disciplines including laboratories and quality assurance, draughting officers, planners and other para-professionals.

(c) the National Metal and Engineering Competency Standards Implementation Guide especially Table 2 of that guide which shows the alignment between old and new titles under the Australian Qualifications Framework (e.g. Advanced Certificates are now known as National Diplomas and Associate Diplomas as National Advanced Diplomas).

(d) clause 16.4(d).

A.3.2 Supervisor/Trainer/Coordinator

(a) **Supervisor/Trainer/Coordinator—Level I**

- (i) A Supervisor/Trainer/Coordinator—Level I is an employee who is responsible for the work of other employees and/or provision of structured on-the-job training. Such an employee has completed a qualification at AQF III level or above, of which at least one third of the competencies are related to supervision/training, or equivalent.
- (ii) Notwithstanding the above definition an employee who is mainly engaged to perform work supervising or coordinating the work of other employees and who has sufficient additional training beyond that of those coordinated or supervised so as to enable the employee to perform work within the scope of this level must be classified at this level.

(b) **Supervisor/Trainer/Coordinator—Level II**

- (i) A Supervisor/Trainer/Coordinator—Level II is an employee who is responsible for the supervision and/or training of Supervisor/Trainers/Coordinators—Level I. Such an employee has completed an AQF IV or V qualification or equivalent of which at least 50% of the competencies are in supervision/training.

A.3.3 Wage Group: C14

(a) **Engineering/Manufacturing Employee—Level I**

- (i) An Engineering/Manufacturing Employee—Level I is an employee who is undertaking up to 38 hours induction training which may include

information on the enterprise, conditions of employment, introduction to supervisors and fellow workers, training and career path opportunities, plant layout, work and documentation procedures, occupational health and safety, equal employment opportunity and quality control/assurance.

- (ii) An employee at this level performs routine duties essentially of a manual nature and to the level of their training:
 - performs general labouring and cleaning duties;
 - exercises minimal judgement;
 - works under direct supervision;
 - is undertaking structured training so as to enable them to work at the C13 level.

A.3.4 Wage Group: C13

(a) Engineering/Manufacturing Employee—Level II

- (i) An Engineering/Manufacturing Employee—Level II is an employee who has completed up to three months structured training so as to enable the employee to perform work within the scope of this level.
- (ii) An employee at this level performs work above and beyond the skills of an employee at the C14 level and to the level of their skills, competence and training:
 - works in accordance with standard operating procedures and established criteria;
 - works under direct supervision either individually or in a team environment;
 - understands and undertakes basic quality control/assurance procedures including the ability to recognise basic quality deviations/faults;
 - understands and utilises basic statistical process control procedures;
 - follows safe work practices and can report workplace hazards.

A.3.5 Wage Group: C12

(a) Engineering/Manufacturing Employee—Level III

- (i) An Engineering/Manufacturing Employee—Level III is an employee who has completed an Engineering Production Certificate I or Certificate II in Engineering or equivalent so as to enable the employee to perform work within the scope of this level.
- (ii) An employee at this level performs work above and beyond the skills of an employee at the C13 level and to the level of their skills, competence and training:

- is responsible for the quality of their own work subject to routine supervision;
- works under routine supervision either individually or in a team environment;
- exercises discretion within their level of skills and training;
- assists in the provision of on-the-job training.

A.3.6 Wage Group: C11

(a) Engineering/Manufacturing Employee—Level IV

Laboratory Tester

- (i) An Engineering/Manufacturing Employee—Level IV is an employee who has completed an Engineering Production Certificate II or Certificate II in Engineering—Production Technology or equivalent so as to enable the employee to perform work within the scope of this level.
- (ii) A Laboratory Tester is an employee who has completed a Certificate II, or equivalent, in Sampling or Measurement so as to enable the employee to perform work within the scope of this level.
- (iii) An employee at this level performs work above and beyond the skills of an employee at the C12 level and to the level of their skills, competence and training:
 - works from complex instructions and procedures;
 - assists in the provision of on-the-job training;
 - co-ordinates work in a team environment or works individually under general supervision;
 - is responsible for assuring the quality of their own work;
 - in a laboratory the employee performs basic/simple routine tests under close supervision and communicates results of those tests to the appropriate personnel.

A.3.7 Wage Group: C10

(a) Engineering/Manufacturing Tradesperson—Level I

- (i) An Engineering/Manufacturing Tradesperson—Level I is an employee who holds a trade certificate or tradespersons rights certificate or equivalent as an:
 - Engineering Tradesperson (Electrical/Electronic)— Level I;
 - Engineering Tradesperson (Mechanical)— Level I;
 - Engineering Tradesperson (Fabrication)—Level I;
 - Furnishing Industry Tradesperson Level I;

- Floor Finisher and/or Floor Coverer Tradesperson;
- or equivalent;

and is able to exercise the skills and knowledge of the engineering trade so as to enable the employee to perform work within the scope of this level.

(ii) An Engineering/Manufacturing Tradesperson—Level I works above and beyond an employee at the C11 level and to the level of their skills, competence and training:

- understands and applies quality control techniques;
- exercises good interpersonal and communications skills;
- exercises keyboard skills at a level higher than the C11 level;
- exercises discretion within the scope of this classification level;
- performs work under limited supervision either individually or in a team environment;
- operates lifting equipment incidental to their work;
- performs non-trade tasks incidental to their work;
- performs work which while primarily involving the skills of the employee's trade is incidental or peripheral to the primary task and facilitates the completion of the whole task, provided that such incidental or peripheral work does not require additional formal technical training;
- inspects products and/or materials for conformity with established operational standards.

(b) **Engineering/Manufacturing Systems Employee—Level V**

(i) An Engineering/Manufacturing Systems Employee—Level V is an employee who, while still being primarily engaged in Engineering/Manufacturing work applies the skills acquired through the successful completion of an Engineering Production Certificate III or Certificate III in Engineering—Production Systems or equivalent in the production, distribution, or stores functions so as to enable the employee to perform work within the scope of this level.

(ii) An Engineering/Manufacturing Employee works above and beyond an employee at the C11 level and to the level of their skills, competence and training:

- understands and applies quality control techniques;
- exercises good interpersonal communications skills;
- exercises discretion within the scope of this classification level;
- exercise keyboard skills at a level higher than the C11 level;

- performs work under limited supervision either individually or in a team environment;
- inspects products and/or materials for conformity with established operational standards.

A.3.8 Wage Group: C9

(a) Engineering/Manufacturing Tradesperson—Level II

(i) An Engineering/Manufacturing Tradesperson—Level II is an:

- Engineering Tradesperson (Electrical/Electronic)—Level II; or
- Engineering Tradesperson (Mechanical)—Level II; or
- Engineering Tradesperson (Fabrication)—Level II; or
- Furnishing Industry Tradesperson Level 2; or
- equivalent.

who has completed the minimum training requirements specified in clause A.2.1 of Schedule A or equivalent.

(ii) An Engineering/Manufacturing Tradesperson—Level II works above and beyond a tradesperson at the C10 level and to the level of their skills and competence and training performs work within the scope of this level:

- exercises discretion within the scope of this classification;
- works under limited supervision either individually or in a team environment;
- understands and implements quality control techniques;
- provides trade guidance and assistance as part of a work team;
- operates lifting equipment incidental to their work;
- performs non-trade tasks incidental to their work.

(b) Engineering/Laboratory Technician—Level I

(i) An Engineering/Laboratory Technician—Level I is an employee who has the equivalent level of training of the C9 level Engineering/Manufacturing Tradesperson or equivalent so as to enable the employee to apply skills within the scope of this level. The skills exercised by the Engineering/Laboratory Technician—Level I are in the technical field including draughting, planning or technical tasks, including in a laboratory, requiring technical knowledge.

(ii) At this level the employee is engaged on routine tasks in the technical field. In a laboratory the employee performs basic laboratory duties using written, spoken or diagrammatic instructions and/or basic quality control assurance procedures and techniques under general supervision-either individually or in a team environment.

A.3.9 Wage Group: C8

(a) Engineering/Manufacturing Tradesperson—Special Class Level I

(i) An Engineering/Manufacturing Tradesperson—Special Class Level I means a:

- Special Class Engineering Tradesperson (Electrical/Electronic)—Level I; or
- Special Class Engineering Tradesperson (Mechanical)—Level I; or
- Special Class Engineering Tradesperson (Fabrication)—Level I; or
- equivalent.

who has completed the minimum training requirements specified in clause A.2.1 of Schedule A or equivalent.

(ii) An Engineering/Manufacturing Tradesperson—Special Class Level I works above and beyond a tradesperson at the C9 level and to the level of their skills, competence and training performs work within the scope of this level:

- provides trade guidance and assistance as part of a work team;
- assists in the provision of training in conjunction with supervisors and trainers;
- understands and implements quality control techniques;
- works under limited supervision either individually or in a team environment;
- operates lifting equipment incidental to their work;
- performs non-trade tasks incidental to their work.

(b) Engineering/Laboratory Technician—Level II

(i) An Engineering/Laboratory Technician—Level II is an employee who has the equivalent level of training of the C8 level Engineering/Manufacturing Tradesperson Special Class—Level I or equivalent so as to enable the employee to apply skills within the scope of this level. The skills exercised by the Engineering/Laboratory Technician—Level II are in the technical field including draughting, planning or technical tasks requiring technical knowledge.

(ii) At this level the employee is required to exercise judgment and skill in excess of that required at the C9 level under the supervision of technical or professional staff.

A.3.10 Wage Group: C7

(a) Engineering/Manufacturing Tradesperson—Special Class Level II

(i) An Engineering/Manufacturing Tradesperson—Special Class Level II means a:

- Special Class Engineering Tradesperson (Electrical/Electronic)—Level II; or
- Special Class Engineering Tradesperson (Mechanical)—Level II; or
- Special Class Engineering Tradesperson (Fabrication)—Level II; or
- Higher Engineering/Manufacturing Tradesperson; or
- equivalent.

who has completed the minimum training requirements specified in clause A.2.1 of Schedule A or equivalent.

(ii) An Engineering/Manufacturing Tradesperson—Special Class Level II works above and beyond a tradesperson at the C8 level and to the level of their skills, competence and training performs work within the scope of this level:

- is able to provide trade guidance and assistance as part of a work team;
- provides training in conjunction with supervisors and trainers;
- understands and implements quality control techniques;
- works under limited supervision either individually or in a team environment;
- operates lifting equipment incidental to their work;
- performs non-trade tasks incidental to their work.

(b) Engineering/Laboratory Technician—Level III

(i) An Engineering/Laboratory Technician—Level III is an employee who has the equivalent level of training of the C7 level Engineering/Manufacturing Tradesperson—Special Class Level II or equivalent so as to enable the employee to apply skills within the scope of this level. The skills exercised by the Engineering/Laboratory Technician—Level III are in the technical field including draughting, planning or technical tasks requiring technical knowledge.

(ii) At this level the employee is engaged in detail draughting and/or planning or technical duties requiring judgement and skill in excess of that required of a technician at the C8 level under the supervision of technical or professional staff. The employee in a laboratory is able to troubleshoot at a basic level and perform a range of quality control and/or research and development tests with only general supervision.

A.3.11 Wage Group: C6

(a) Advanced Engineering Tradesperson—Level I

- (i) An Advanced Engineering Tradesperson—Level I means an:
- Advanced Engineering Tradesperson (Electrical/Electronic)—Level I; or
 - Advanced Engineering Tradesperson (Mechanical)—Level I; or
 - Advanced Engineering Tradesperson (Fabrication)—Level I;

who has completed the minimum training requirements specified in clause A.2.1 of Schedule A or equivalent.

- (ii) An Advanced Engineering Tradesperson—Level I works above and beyond a tradesperson at the C7 level and to the level of their skills, competence and training performs work within the scope of this level:

- undertakes quality control and work organisation at a level higher than for the C7 level;
- provides trade guidance and assistance as part of a work team;
- assists in the provision of training to employees in conjunction with supervisors/trainers;
- works under limited supervision either individually or in a team environment;
- prepares reports of a technical nature on specific tasks or assignments;
- exercises broad discretion within the scope of this level;
- operates lifting equipment incidental to their work;
- performs non-trade tasks incidental to their work.

(b) Engineering/Laboratory Technician—Level IV

- (i) An Engineering/Laboratory Technician—Level IV is an employee who has the equivalent level of training of the C6 level Advanced Engineering Tradesperson—Level I or equivalent so as to enable the employee to apply skills within the scope of this level. The skills exercised by the Engineering/Laboratory Technician—Level IV are in the technical field including draughting, planning or technical tasks requiring technical knowledge.

- (ii) At this level the employee is engaged in detail draughting and/or planning and/or technical duties requiring judgement and skill in excess of that required of a technician at the C7 level under the supervision of technical and/or professional staff.

A.3.12 Wage Group: C5

(a) Advanced Engineering Tradesperson—Level II

- (i) An Advanced Engineering Tradesperson—Level II means an:
- Advanced Engineering Tradesperson (Electrical/Electronic)—Level II; or
 - Advanced Engineering Tradesperson (Mechanical)— Level II; or
 - Advanced Engineering Tradesperson (Fabrication)— Level II;
- who has completed the minimum training requirements specified in clause A.2.1 of Schedule A or equivalent.
- (ii) An Advanced Engineering Tradesperson—Level II works above and beyond a tradesperson at the C6 level and to the level of their skills, competence and training performs work within the scope of this level:
- provides technical guidance or assistance within the scope of this level;
 - prepares reports of a technical nature on tasks or assignments within the employee's skills and competence;
 - has an overall knowledge and understanding of the operating principle of the systems and equipment on which the tradesperson is required to carry out their task;
 - assists in the provision of on-the-job training in conjunction with supervisors and trainers;
 - operates lifting equipment incidental to their work;
 - performs non-trade tasks incidental to their work.

(b) Engineering/Laboratory Technician—Level V

- (i) An Engineering/Laboratory Technician—Level V is an employee who has the equivalent level of training of the C5 level Advanced Engineering Tradesperson—Level II or equivalent so as to enable the employee to apply skills within the scope of this level. The skills exercised by the Engineering/Laboratory Technician—Level V are in the technical field including draughting, planning or technical tasks requiring technical knowledge.
- (ii) At this level the employee is required to exercise judgment and skill in excess of that required at the C6 level. In a laboratory the employee is required to use judgment and problem solving skills to perform a range of routine and non-routine tests and to make modifications (within limits) to existing formula.

A.3.13 Wage Group: C4

(a) Engineering Associate/Laboratory Technical Officer—Level I

- (i) An Engineering Associate/Laboratory Technical Officer —Level I means an employee who works above and beyond a technician at the C5 level and who has completed the minimum training requirements specified in clause A.2.1 of Schedule A or equivalent and is engaged in:
- making of major design drawings or graphics or performing technical duties in a specific field of engineering, laboratory or scientific practice such as research design, testing, manufacture, assembly, construction, operation, diagnostics and maintenance of equipment facilities or products, including computer software, quality processes, occupational health and safety and/or standards and plant and material security processes and like work and/or developing test procedures or manuals from test standards and like work; or
 - planning of operations and/or processes including the estimation of requirements of staffing, material cost and quantities and machinery requirements, purchasing materials or components, scheduling, work study, industrial engineering and/or materials handling process.

A.3.14 Wage Group: C3

(a) Engineering Associate/Laboratory Technical Officer—Level II

- (i) An Engineering Associate/Laboratory Technical Officer—Level II means an employee who works above and beyond an Engineering Associate/Laboratory Technical Officer at the C4 level and who has successfully completed the minimum training requirements specified in clause A.2.1 of Schedule A or equivalent and is engaged in:
- performing draughting, planning or technical duties which require the exercise of judgment and skill in excess of that required by an engineering associate at the C4 level; or
 - possesses the skills of an Engineering Associate/Laboratory Technical Officer—Level I in a technical field and exercises additional skills in a different technical field; or
 - is a laboratory employee who, with limited supervision, applies the full range of laboratory skills to individual projects and is involved in the supervision and training of other laboratory workers; or
 - is a laboratory employee who applies specialised technical skills, in addition to the full range of laboratory skills, to specific projects with minimum supervision.

A.3.15 Wage Group: C2(a)

(a) Leading Technical Officer

- (i) A Leading Technical Officer means an employee who works above and beyond an Engineering Associate/Laboratory Technical Officer—

Level II at the C3 level and has successfully completed a national advanced diploma or equivalent and sufficient additional training so as to enable the employee to perform work within the scope of this level. An employee at the C2(a) level is able to perform or coordinate work in more than one engineering, scientific or technical field, or performs duties in a technical, engineering or scientific field which requires the exercise of judgement and/or skill in excess of that required of an Engineering Associate/Laboratory Technical Officer—Level II.

(b) Principal Engineering Supervisor/Trainer/Coordinator

(i) A Principal Engineering Supervisor/Trainer/Coordinator means a Supervisor/Trainer/Coordinator who has completed a national advanced diploma or equivalent of which at least 50% of the competencies are in supervision/training and who when engaged at this level:

- possesses a sound knowledge of occupational health and safety, industrial relations, and communications processes and is able to use this knowledge in training and leading the work of others;
- possesses a general knowledge and awareness of the administrative, business, and marketing strategies of the enterprises.

(ii) Indicative of the tasks which an employee at this level may perform are as follows:

- plans, writes and delivers training programs for all engineering/production employees, apprentices, trainees, trade and lower technical levels;
- plans and directs the work of engineering/production employees especially in new work organisation environments (e.g. group work arrangements, CIM production techniques).

A.3.16 Wage Group: C2(b)

Principal Technical Officer

(a) A Principal Technical Officer works above and beyond an employee at the C2(a) level and has successfully completed sufficient additional training to enable the employee to perform work within the scope of this level in addition to a national advanced diploma or equivalent. Within organisational policy guidelines and objectives a principal technical officer:

(i)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • performs work requiring mature technical knowledge involving a high degree of autonomy, originality and independent judgment;
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • looks after and is responsible for projects and coordinating such projects with other areas of the organisation as required by the operation of the organisation;
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • is responsible for the coordination of general and specialist employees engaged in projects requiring complex and specialised knowledge;

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • plans and implements those programs necessary to achieve the objectives of a particular project;
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • in the performance of the above functions, applies knowledge and/or guidance relevant in any or all of the fields of designing, planning and technical work as required by the operation;
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • operates within broad statements of objectives without requiring detailed instructions; or
(ii)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • performs work at the above level of skill in a particular technical field;
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • has as the overriding feature of their employment the ability to perform creative, original work of a highly complex and sophisticated nature;
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • provides specialised technical guidance to other employees performing work within the same technical field.

- (b) In a laboratory, a Principal Technical Officer will exhibit and use technical principles, research and development skills as well as interpersonal/supervisory skills in the co-ordination of a specialist laboratory team.

A.4 Indicative Tasks for employees covered by clause 16.4(d)

A.4.1 For an employee covered by clause 16.4(d) the following indicative tasks identified for a particular classification are to be used as a guide in classifying the employee. These tasks operate in conjunction with clauses A.1–A.3.

A.4.2 For the purposes of clause A.3.4 (level C13) the following are the indicative tasks which an employee at this level may perform:

- assembles components using basic written, spoken and/or diagrammatic instructions in an assembly environment;
- repetition work on automatic, semi-automatic or single purpose machines or equipment;
- basic soldering or butt and spot welding skills or cuts scrap with oxyacetylene blow pipe;
- use selected hand tools;
- boiler cleaning;
- maintains simple records;
- repetitive packing in standard containers;
- uses hand trolleys and pallet trucks;
- assists in the provision of on-the-job training;

- non-trades cleaning up of wooden floors, punching of nails and sanding of wooden floors by machine or hand and/or application of all types of sealers and plastic coatings on wooden floors.

A.4.3 For the purposes of clause A.3.5 (level C12) the following are the indicative tasks which an employee at this level may perform:

- operates flexibility between assembly stations;
- operates machinery and equipment requiring the exercise of skill and knowledge beyond that of an employee at level C13;
- non-trade skills;
- basic tracing and sketching skills;
- receiving, despatching, distributing, sorting, checking, packing (other than repetitive packing in a standard container or containers in which such goods are ordinarily sold), documenting and recording of goods, materials and components;
- assists in the provision of on-the-job training;
- basic inventory control in the context of a production process;
- basic keyboard skills;
- advanced soldering techniques;
- boiler attendant;
- operation of mobile equipment including fork-lifts, overhead cranes and winch operation;
- ability to measure accurately;
- assists one or more tradespersons;
- welding which requires the exercise of knowledge and skills above level C13;
- operate (i.e. serve as a burner of) a single tunnel kiln or a downdraft kiln;
- sewer and/or gluer and/or seamer of carpets, linoleums or other coverings;
- powder coating and tinting under supervision.

A.4.4 For the purposes of A.3.6 (level C11) the following are the indicative tasks which an employee at this level may perform:

- uses precision measuring instruments;
- machine rigging (certificated), setting, loading and operation;
- inventory and store control including licensed operation of all appropriate materials handling equipment, use of tools and equipment within the scope of basic (non-trades) maintenance, and computer operation at a level higher than that of an employee at level C12;

- intermediate keyboard skills;
- basic fault finding skills;
- performs basic quality checks on the work of others;
- licensed and certified for fork-lift, engine driving and crane driving operations to a level higher than level C12;
- assists in the provision of on-the-job training;
- has a knowledge of the employer's operation as it relates to production process;
- lubrication of production machinery equipment;
- operate (i.e. serve as a burner of) more than one tunnel kiln;
- operates a multipress complex;
- operates a FEL (clay and ceramics industry) in excess of three cubic metres;
- bulk paint tinting and resin manufacturing.

A.4.5 For the purposes of clause A.3.7 (level C10) the following are the indicative tasks which an employee at this level may perform:

- approves and passes first off samples and maintains quality of product;
- works from production drawings, prints or plans;
- operates, sets up and adjusts all production machinery in a plant including production process welding to the extent of training;
- can perform a range of maintenance functions including removing equipment fastenings, use of destructive cutting equipment, lubrication of production equipment, and running adjustments to production equipment;
- operates all lifting equipment;
- basic production scheduling and materials handling within the scope of the production process or directly related functions within raw materials/finished goods locations in conjunction with technicians;
- understands and applies computer techniques as they relate to production process operations;
- first class engine drivers' certificate;
- high level stores and inventory responsibility beyond the requirements of an employee at level C11;
- assists in the provision of on-the-job training in conjunction with tradespersons and trainers;
- has a sound knowledge of the employer's operations as it relates to the production process.

Schedule B—Vehicle Manufacturing Employees—Skill Level Definitions— Trades, Non-trades and Post-trades

B.1 V1—Vehicle industry/production employee Level 1

B.1.1 A Vehicle industry/production employee—Level 1 is an employee undertaking up to 38 hours' induction training which may include information on the enterprise, conditions of employment, introduction to supervisors and fellow workers, training and career path opportunities, plant layout, work and documentation procedures, occupational health and safety, equal employment opportunity and quality control/assurance.

B.1.2 An employee at this level performs routine duties essentially of a manual nature and to the level of their training:

- (a) performs general labouring and cleaning duties;
- (b) exercises minimal judgment;
- (c) works under direct supervision; and
- (d) is undertaking structured training so as to enable them to work at V2 Level.

Classifications at Level V1:

- Assembler, cushion and squab including spring frame
- Dipper solder or tin
- Degreaser at liquid or vapour bath
- Electroplater—3rd class
- Garage attendant
- Greaser and/or oiler
- Grinder using fixed gear
- Heat treat attendant—first three months
- Janitor and/or convenience attendant
- Machinist (metal)—3rd class
- Packer other than as defined
- Paster trim
- Paintshop assistant
- Pickler
- Plastics developer (b) second class (2) first month's experience
- Pleat stuffer
- Press operators assistant

- Shot and/or sand blast operator
- Spring coil machinist not required to set up machine
- Washer using phenyl etc.

B.2 V2—Vehicle industry/production employee Level 2

B.2.1 A Vehicle industry/production employee—Level 2 is an employee who has completed up to three months structured training so as to enable the employee to perform work within the scope of this level.

B.2.2 An employee at this level performs work above and beyond the skills of an employee at Level V1 and to the level of their training:

- (a) works under direct supervision either individually or in a team environment;
- (b) understands and undertakes basic quality control/assurance procedures including the ability to recognise basic quality deviations/faults; and
- (c) understands and utilises basic statistical process control procedures.

B.2.3 Indicative of the tasks which an employee at this level may perform are the following:

- (a) repetition work on automatic, semiautomatic or single purposes machines or equipment;
- (b) assembles components using basic written, spoken and/or diagrammatic instructions in an assembly environment;
- (c) basic soldering or butt and spot welding skills or cuts scrap with oxyacetylene blow pipe;
- (d) uses selected hand tools;
- (e) boiler cleaning; and
- (f) maintains simple records.

Classifications at Level V2:

- Assembler when not on line
- Concrete worker
- Case maker and/or repairer
- Dogman
- Drier
- Furnace person other than on cupola
- Grinder using portable machine foundry
- Guillotine machinist

- Packer as defined in clause Schedule I
- Press operator light
- Process Worker
- Sewing machinist
- Spring coiling machinist required to set up machine
- Spring maker required to set up machine
- Tradespersons assistant
- Welder—electric spot and buff
- Vyceman
- Wood machinist—2nd class

B.3 V3—Vehicle industry/production employee Level 3

B.3.1 A Vehicle industry/production employee—Level 3 is an employee who has completed 12 skill units and four knowledge units towards the vehicle industry certificate, or nationally accredited equivalent training so as to enable the employee to perform work within the scope of this level.

B.3.2 An employee at this level performs work above and beyond the skills of an employee at V2 and to the level of their training.

- (a) is responsible for the quality of their own work subject to routine supervision;
- (b) works under routine supervision either individually or in a team environment; and
- (c) exercises discretion within their level of skills and training.

B.3.3 Indicative of the tasks which an employee at this level may perform are the following:

- (a) operates flexibly between assembly stations;
- (b) operates machinery and equipment requiring the exercise of skill and knowledge beyond that of an employee at Level V2;
- (c) non-trade vehicle industry skills;
- (d) basic tracing and sketching skills;
- (e) receiving, dispatching, distributing, sorting, checking, packing (other than repetitive packing in a standard container or containers in which such goods are ordinarily sold), documenting and recording of goods, materials and components;
- (f) basic inventory control in the context of a production process;
- (g) basic keyboard skills;

- (h) advanced soldering techniques;
- (i) boiler attendant;
- (j) operation of mobile equipment including fork-lifts, hand trolleys, pallet trucks, (overhead cranes and winch operation);
- (k) ability to measure accurately;
- (l) assists one or more tradespersons; and
- (m) welding which requires the exercise of knowledge and skills above Level V2.

Classifications at Level V3:

- Air hammer operator
- Assembler and/or wirer tractor and assembler etc.
- Band sawyer
- Boiler attendant or fireman
- Cold setter
- Dismantler
- Driller of body panels
- Electric machine cutter trim
- Electroplater second class
- Furnace person foundry
- Grinder other than in assembly plant
- Heat treatment attendant
- Machinist—2nd class
- Machine setter other
- Material chaser
- Moulder
- Painter on prime coats other than in assembly plant, on floors, chassis, etc.
- Painter's wet rubber
- Plastics developer—2nd class
- Polisher
- Press operator over 250 tonnes
- Slinger

- Solder other
- Spring maker by hand
- Stopper up
- Storeworker or packer

B.4 V4—Vehicle industry/production employee Level 4

B.4.1 A Vehicle industry/production employee—Level V4 is an employee who has completed 16 skill units and 14 knowledge units towards the vehicle industry certificate, or equivalent nationally accredited training so as to enable the employee to perform work within the scope of this level.

B.4.2 An employee at this level performs work above and beyond the skills of an employee at V3 and to the level of their training:

- (a) works from complex instructions and procedures;
- (b) assists in the provisions of on the job training to a limited degree;
- (c) co-ordinates work in a team environment or works individually under general supervision; and
- (d) is responsible for assuring the quality of their own work.

B.4.3 Indicative of the tasks which an employee at this level may perform are the following:

- (a) uses precision measuring instruments;
- (b) machine setting, loading and operation;
- (c) rigging (certificated);
- (d) inventory and store control including;
- (e) licensed operation of all appropriate materials handling equipment including driver GVM up to eight tonnes;
- (f) use of tools and equipment within the scope (basic non-trades) maintenance;
- (g) computer operation at a level higher than that of an employee at Level V3;
- (h) intermediate keyboard skills;
- (i) basic vehicle industry and fault finding skills;
- (j) performs basic quality checks on the work of others;
- (k) licensed and certified for fork-lift, engine driving and crane driving operations to a level higher than Level V3; and
- (l) has a knowledge of the employer's operation as it relates to production process.

Classifications at Level V4:

- Annealer and/or case hardener
- Assembler and/or wirer chassis
- Assembler of bodies or parts when on line
- Body maker—2nd class
- Boiler attendant
- Crane driver
- Dent knocker
- Die setter press
- Fork-lift driver, mobile crane driver and driver of motor vehicle up to eight tonnes.
- Grinder using portable machine assembly plant
- High stack operator
- Metal finisher
- Painter on prime coats vehicle assembly plants
- Rigger
- Solderer on the line
- Spotter and/or toucher up
- Squab or cushion maker
- Trimmer sectional
- Welder other than trade using oxy, etc.

B.5 V5—Vehicle industry tradesperson—Level 1 & Production systems employee—Level 5

B.5.1 Vehicle industry tradesperson—Level 1

- (a) A Vehicle industry tradesperson—Level 1 is an employee who holds a trade certificate or tradesperson's rights certificate in one of the electrical/electronic, mechanical or fabrication vehicle industry streams and is able to exercise the skills and knowledge of that trade.
- (b) An Vehicle industry tradesperson—Level 1 works above and beyond an employee at V4 and to the level of their training:
- (i) understands and applies quality control techniques;
 - (ii) exercises good interpersonal, communications skills;
 - (iii) exercises keyboard skills higher than Level V4;
 - (iv) exercises discretion within the scope of this grade;

- (v) performs work under limited supervision either individually or in a team environment;
- (vi) operates all lifting equipment incidental to their work;
- (vii) perform non-trade tasks incidental to their work; and
- (viii) performs work which, while primarily involving the skills of the employees trade, is incidental or peripheral to the primary tasks and facilitates the completion of the whole task. Such incidental or peripheral work would not require additional formal technical training.

B.5.2 Vehicle industry production system employee—Level 5

- (a) A Vehicle industry production systems employee—Level 5 is an employee who, while still being primarily engaged in vehicle industry/production work applies the skills acquired through the successful completion of a trade certificate level qualification in the production, distribution, or stores functions according to the needs of the enterprise.
- (b) A Vehicle industry production systems employee—Level 5 works above and beyond an employee at V4 and to the level of their training:
 - (i) understand and applies quality control techniques;
 - (ii) exercises good interpersonal communications skills;
 - (iii) exercises discretion within the scope of this grade;
 - (iv) exercises keyboard skills at a level higher than V4; and
 - (v) performs work under general supervision either individually or in a team environment.
- (c) Indicative of the tasks which an employee at this level may perform are as follows:
 - (i) approves and passes first off samples and maintains quality of product;
 - (ii) works from production drawings, prints and plans;
 - (iii) operates, sets up and adjusts all production machinery in a plant including production process welding to the extent of training;
 - (iv) can perform a range of vehicle industry maintenance functions including;
 - (v) removing equipment fastenings including use of destructive cutting equipment;
 - (vi) lubrication of production equipment;
 - (vii) running adjustments to production equipment;
 - (viii) operates all lifting equipment;

- (ix) basic production scheduling and materials handling within the scope of the production process or directly related functions within raw materials/finished goods locations in conjunction with technicians;
- (x) understands and applies computer techniques as they relate to production process operations;
- (xi) first class engine drivers' certificate;
- (xii) high level stores and inventory responsibility beyond the requirements of an employee at Level V4;
- (xiii) assists in the provision of on-the-job training in conjunction with tradespersons and trainers; and
- (xiv) has a good knowledge of the employers operations as it relates to the production process.

Classifications at Level V5:

- Automotive electrician
- Bodymaker—1st class
- Boilermaker
- Cabinet maker
- Carpenter
- Die setter when working on try outs
- Electrical fitter
- Electrician—special class
- Electroplater—1st class
- Fitter and turner
- Heat treater
- Jigmaker
- Machinist—1st class
- Motor mechanic
- Motor tuner and tester
- Motor body developer
- Painter
- Patternmaker
- Plastics developer first class

- Plumber
- Refrigerator mechanic
- Signwriter
- Smith tradesperson
- Spring maker
- Tradesperson marker off
- Trouble chaser
- Trimmer
- Welder
- Wood machinist—1st class

B.6 V6—Vehicle industry tradesperson—Level II & Vehicle industry/technician—Level I

B.6.1 Vehicle industry tradesperson—Level II

- (a) A Vehicle industry tradesperson—Level II is a tradesperson who has completed the following training requirements:
- (i) three appropriate modules in addition to the training requirements of the Level V5;
 - (ii) three appropriate modules towards a National Diploma;
 - (iii) three appropriate modules towards a National Advanced Diploma;
 - (iv) equivalent; or
 - (v) a nominal 120 hours training towards the above qualification.
- (b) A Vehicle industry tradesperson—Level II works above and beyond a tradesperson at Level V5 and to the level of their skills and competence and training performs work within the scope of the level:
- (i) exercises the skills attained through satisfactory completion of the training prescribed for this classification or equivalent;
 - (ii) exercises discretion within the scope of this grade;
 - (iii) works under general supervision either individually or in a team environment;
 - (iv) understands and implements quality control techniques;
 - (v) provides trades guidance and assistance as part of a work team; and
 - (vi) exercises trade skills relevant to the specific requirements of the enterprise at a level higher than Vehicle industry tradesperson Level I.

B.6.2 Vehicle industry/technician—Level I

- (a) An employee who has the equivalent level of training of a Level V6 tradesperson or equivalent so as to enable the employee to apply skills within the scope of this level. The skills exercised by the Technician—Level I are in the technical fields as defined by this award including drafting, planning or technical tasks requiring technical knowledge.
- (b) At this level the employee is engaged on routine tasks in the technical fields.

B.7 V7—Vehicle industry tradesperson—Level III & Vehicle industry/technician Level II

B.7.1 Vehicle industry tradesperson Level III—special class

- (a) A Vehicle industry tradesperson—Level III means a special class engineering tradesperson or higher engineering tradesperson who has completed the following training requirement:
 - (i) six appropriate modules in addition to the training requirements of the Level V5;
 - (ii) six appropriate modules towards a National Diploma;
 - (iii) six appropriate modules towards a National Advanced Diploma;
 - (iv) a higher engineering tradesperson apprenticeship;
 - (v) equivalent; or
 - (vi) a nominal 240 hours training towards the above qualification.
- (b) A Vehicle industry tradesperson—Level III works above and beyond a tradesperson at Level V6 and to the level of their skills, competence and training performs work within the scope of the level:
 - (i) is able to exercise the skills attained through satisfactory completion of the training prescribed for this classification or equivalent;
 - (ii) provides trade guidance and assistance as part of a work team;
 - (iii) assists in the provision of training, in conjunction with supervisors and trainers;
 - (iv) understands and implements quality control techniques; and
 - (v) works under limited supervision either individually or in a team environment.
- (c) Indicative of the tasks which an employee at this level may perform are as follows:
 - (i) exercises high precision trade skills, using various materials and/or specialised techniques;

(ii) performs operations on a Computer Aided Design/Computer Aided Manufacturing (CAD/CAM) terminal in the performance of routine modifications to Numeric Control/Computer Numeric Control (NC/CNC) programs; and

(iii) high voltage switching.

(d) Vehicle industry technician—Level II

(i) Vehicle industry technician—Level II means an employee who has equivalent level of training to a V7 tradesperson or equivalent so as to enable the employee to apply skills within the scope of this level. The skills exercised by the Technician Level II are in the technical fields as defined by this award including drafting, planning or technical tasks requiring technical knowledge.

(ii) At this level the employee is required to exercise judgment and skill in excess of that required at V6 under the supervision of technical or professional staff.

B.8 V8—Vehicle industry tradesperson—Level IV & Vehicle industry technician—Level III

B.8.1 Vehicle industry tradesperson Level IV—special class

(a) A Vehicle industry tradesperson Level IV means a special class tradesperson who has completed the following training requirement:

(i) three appropriate modules in addition to the requirements of the Level V7;

(ii) nine appropriate modules towards a National Diploma;

(iii) nine appropriate modules towards a National Advanced Diploma;

(iv) an AQF Level 4 National Certificate;

(v) equivalent; or

(vi) a nominal 360 hours training towards the above qualification.

(b) A Vehicle industry tradesperson Level IV—special class works above and beyond an employee at Level V7 and to the level of their skills, competence and training performs work within the scope of the level:

(i) exercises the skills attained through satisfactory completion of the training prescribed for this classification or equivalent;

(ii) is able to provide trade guidance and assistance as part of a work team;

(iii) assists in the provision of training in conjunction with supervisors and trainers;

(iv) understands and implements quality control techniques; and

(v) works under limited supervision either individually or in a team environment.

(c) Indicative of the tasks which an employee at this level may perform are as follows:

(i) works in machines or equipment which utilise complex electric/electronic circuitry;

(ii) and/or hydraulic/pneumatic controls or a combination thereof;

(iii) works on instruments which make up a complex control system which utilises some combination of electrical, electronic, mechanical or fluid power principles;

(iv) applies advanced computer numerical control techniques in machining, cutting, welding or fabrication;

(v) exercises intermediate CAD/CAM skills in the performance of routine modifications to programs;

(vi) works on complex or intricate interconnected electrical circuits; and

(vii) works on complex radio/communication equipment.

(d) Vehicle industry technician—Level III

(i) Vehicle industry technician—Level III means an employee who has equivalent level of training to a Level V8 Tradesperson or equivalent so as to enable the employee to apply skills within the scope of this level. The skills exercised by the Vehicle industry technician—Level III are in the technical fields as defined by this award including drafting, planning or technical tasks requiring technical knowledge.

(ii) At this level the employee is engaged in detailed drafting and/or planning or technical duties requiring judgment and skill in excess of a technician at Level V7 under the supervision of technical staff or professional staff.

B.9 V9—Vehicle industry tradesperson—Level V & Vehicle industry technician—Level IV

B.9.1 Vehicle industry tradesperson—Level V

(a) A Vehicle industry tradesperson—Level V who has completed the following training requirement:

(i) 12 modules of a National Diploma;

(ii) 12 modules of a National Advanced Diploma; or

(iii) equivalent.

(b) A Vehicle industry tradesperson—Level V works above and beyond a Tradesperson at Level V8 and to the level of their skills, competence and training performs work within the scope of the level:

- (i) undertakes quality control and work organisation at a level higher than Level V8;
 - (ii) provides trade guidance and assistance as part of a work team;
 - (iii) assists in the provision of training to employees in conjunction with supervisors/trainers;
 - (iv) works under limited supervision either individually or in a team environment;
 - (v) prepares reports of a technical nature on specific tasks or assignments as directed;
 - (vi) exercises broad discretion within the scope of this level;
 - (vii) operates lifting equipment incidental to their work; and
 - (viii) performs non-trade tasks incidental to their work.
- (c) The following indicative tasks which an employee at this level may perform are subject to the employee having appropriate trade and post-trade training to enable the employee to perform the particular indicative tasks:
- (i) working on combinations of machines or equipment which utilise complex electrical, electronic, mechanical or fluid power principles;
 - (ii) working on instruments which make up a complex control system which utilises some combination of electrical, or electronic, mechanical or fluid power principles and electronic circuitry containing complex digital and/or analogue control systems utilising integrated circuitry;
 - (iii) applies computer integrated manufacturing techniques involving a higher level of computer operating and programming skills than for V8;
 - (iv) working on various forms of machinery and equipment which are electronically controlled by complex digital and/or analogue control systems using integrated circuitry;
 - (v) a Vehicle industry tradesperson—Level V works above and beyond a tradesperson at Level V8 and the level of their skills, competencies and training performs work with the scope of this level;
 - (vi) provides technical guidance or advice within the scope of this level;
 - (vii) prepares reports of a technical nature on specific tasks or assignments within the employees skills and competencies;
 - (viii) has an overall knowledge and understanding of the operating principle of the systems and equipment on which the tradesperson is required to carry out their task;
 - (ix) assists in the provision of on-the-job training in conjunction with supervisors and trainers;
 - (x) operates lifting equipment incidental to their work; and

(xi) performs non-trade tasks incidental to their work.

(d) The following indicative tasks which an employee at this level may perform are subject to the employee having appropriate trade and post-trade training to enable the employee to perform the particular indicative tasks:

(i) through a systems approach is able to exercise high level diagnostic skills on complex forms of machinery, equipment and instruments which utilise some combination of electrical, electronic, mechanical or fluid power principles;

(ii) set up, commission, maintain and operate sophisticated maintenance, production and test equipment and/or systems involving the application of computer operating skills at a higher level than a Vehicle industry tradesperson—Level IV;

(iii) works on various forms of machinery and equipment electronically controlled by complex digital and/or analogue control systems using integrated circuitry; and

(iv) works on complex electronics, instruments, communications equipment or control systems which utilise electronic principles and electronics circuitry containing complex analogue and/or digital control systems using integrated circuitry.

(e) **Vehicle industry technician—Level IV**

(i) Vehicle industry technician—Level IV means an employee who has the level of training of a V9 Vehicle industry tradesperson—Level V or equivalent so as to enable the employee to apply skills within the scope of this level.

(ii) The skills exercised by the Vehicle industry technician—Level IV are in the technical fields as defined by this award including drafting, planning or technical tasks requiring technical knowledge.

(iii) At this level the employee is engaged in detail drafting and/or planning and/or technical duties requiring judgment and skill in excess of that required of a technician at V8 under the supervision of technical and/or professional staff.

B.10 V10—Vehicle industry tradesperson—Level VI & Vehicle industry technician Level V

B.10.1 Vehicle industry tradesperson—Level VI

(a) A Vehicle industry tradesperson—Level VI means a tradesperson who has completed:

(i) a National Diploma;

(ii) 15 modules or 2nd year part-time of an Advanced Diploma; or

(iii) equivalent.

(b) Vehicle industry technician—Level V

- (i) A Vehicle industry technician—Level V means an employee who has the level of training and skills of a V10 Vehicle industry tradesperson—Level VI or equivalent so as to enable the employee to apply skills within the scope of this level. The skills exercised by the Vehicle industry technician—Level V are in the technical fields as defined by this Award including drafting, planning or technical tasks requiring technical knowledge.
- (ii) At this level the employee is required to exercise judgment and skill in excess of that required at Level V9.

B.11 V11—Vehicle industry engineering associate—Level I

B.11.1 A Vehicle industry engineering associate—Level I means an employee who works above and beyond a technician at Level V10 and has successfully completed third year part-time (or 22 modules) of an Advanced Diploma or equivalent and is engaged in:

- (a) making of major design drawings or graphics or performing technical duties in a specific field of engineering, laboratory or scientific practice such as research design, testing, manufacture, assembly, construction, operation, diagnostics and maintenance or equipment facilities or products, including computer software, quality processes, occupational health and safety and/or standards and plant and material security processes and like work; or
- (b) planning of operations and/or processes including the estimation of requirements of staffing, material cost and quantities and machinery requirements, purchasing materials or components, scheduling, work, study, industrial engineering and/or materials handling process.

B.12 V12—Vehicle industry engineering associate—Level II

B.12.1 A Vehicle industry engineering associate—Level II means an employee who works above and beyond a Vehicle engineering associate—Level I and has successfully completed an Advanced Diploma or equivalent and is engaged in:

- (a) performing drafting, planning or technical duties which require the exercise of judgment and skill in excess of that required by a Vehicle engineering associate—Level I; or
- (b) possesses the skills of a Vehicle engineering associate—Level I in a technical field and exercises additional skills in a different technical field as defined.

B.13 V13—Vehicle industry leading technical officer & Principal engineering trainer/supervisor/co-ordinator

B.13.1 A Vehicle industry leading technical officer means an employee who works above and beyond an Vehicle industry engineering associate—Level II at Level V12 and has successfully completed seven modules in addition to the Advanced Diploma or equivalent. An employee at Level V13 is able to perform or co-ordinate work in more than one engineering, scientific or technical field as defined, or performs duties in a technical, engineering or scientific field which requires the exercise of judgment

and/or skill in excess of that required of a Vehicle industry engineering associate—
Level II.

(a) Principal engineering trainer/supervisor/co-ordinator

(i) A Vehicle industry principal trainer/supervisor/co-ordinator means a trainer/supervisor/co-ordinator who has completed an Advanced Diploma of which 15 modules are supervision/training modules or equivalent and who when engaged in this level:

- possesses a sound knowledge of occupational health and safety, industrial relations, and communications processes and is able to use this knowledge in training and leading work of others; and
- possesses a general knowledge and awareness of the administrative, business, and marketing strategies of the enterprise.

(ii) Indicative of the tasks which an employee at this level may perform are as follows:

- plans, writes and delivers training programs for all engineering/production employees, apprentices, trainees, trade and lower technical levels; and
- plans and directs the work of engineering/production employees especially in new work organisation environments e.g. group work arrangements, CIM production techniques.

B.14 V14—Vehicle industry principal technical officer

B.14.1 A Vehicle industry principal technical officer works above and beyond an employee at the V13 level and who has successfully completed 15 modules of accredited training in addition to an Advanced Diploma or equivalent. Within organisational policy guidelines and objectives a principal technical officer:

- (a)** performs work requiring mature technical knowledge involving a high degree of autonomy, originality and independent judgment;
- (b)** looks after and is responsible for projects and co-ordinating such projects with other areas of the organisation as required by the operation of the organisation;
- (c)** is responsible for the co-ordination of general and specialist employees engaged on projects requiring complex and specialised knowledge;
- (d)** plans and implements those programs necessary to achieve the objectives of a particular project;
- (e)** in the performance of the above functions, applies knowledge and/or guidance relevant in any or all of the fields of designing, planning and technical work as required by the company's operation; and
- (f)** operates within broad statements of objectives without requiring detailed instructions;

OR

- (g) performs work at the above level of skill in a particular technical field;
- (h) has as the overriding feature of their employment the ability to perform creative, original work of a highly complex and sophisticated nature; and
- (i) provides specialised technical guidance to other employees performing work within the same technical field.

B.14.2 Vehicle industry trainer/supervisor/co-ordinator—Level I

A trainer/supervisor/co-ordinator—Level I is an employee who is responsible for the work of other employees and/or provision of structured on-the-job training. Such an employee has completed nine modules in supervision and/or training.

B.14.3 Vehicle industry trainer/supervisor/co-ordinator—Level II

A trainer/supervisor/co-ordinator—Level II is an employee who is responsible for supervision and/or training of trainer/supervisor/co-ordinator—Level I. Such an employee has completed 15 modules appropriate to supervision and/or training.

B.15 Driver classifications

B.15.1 Vehicle industry driver—Level I—D1

- (a) Vehicle industry driver—Level I means an employee who is a driver Gross Vehicle Mass (GVM) 8 to 11 tonnes.
- (b) Existing classification—motor vehicle driver 8 to 11 tonnes.

B.15.2 Vehicle industry driver—Level II—D2

- (a) Vehicle industry driver—Level II means an employee who is a driver GVM 12 tonnes or greater.
- (b) Existing classification—motor vehicle driver 11 tonnes and above.

B.15.3 Vehicle Industry Driver—Level III—D3

- (a) Vehicle industry driver—Level III means an employee who is a driver of articulated vehicles up to 25 tonnes.
- (b) Existing classification—driver articulated vehicle 9 tonnes and over.

B.15.4 Vehicle Industry Driver—Level IV—D4

- (a) Vehicle industry driver—Level IV means an employee who is a driver of articulated vehicles over 25 tonnes.

Schedule C—Summary of Wage Rates

Rates updated as a result of AWR 2016; Schedule B substituted in accordance with para [81] [\[2015\] FWCFB 7236](#)

NOTE: Employers who meet their obligations under this schedule are meeting their obligations under the award.

C.1 Table of Rates

C.1.1 The following table provides a summary of the penalty rates that apply under the award. Penalty rates are payable for working overtime, shift work, on a Saturday, on a Sunday, on Public Holidays and on other occasions specified at C.1.2. The rates of pay applicable to these penalty rates are then set out in C.2 for full and part-time employees and in C.3 for casual employees.

Working hours	% of minimum ordinary hourly rate/ Minimum casual ordinary hourly rate
Ordinary hours	100%
Ordinary hours on a Saturday (clauses 13.2(f)(i) and 29.1(a)(i))	150%
Ordinary hours on a Sunday (clauses 13.2(f)(ii) and 29.1(a)(ii))	200%
Work on a public holiday (clauses 13.2(g) and 29.1(b))	250%
Overtime on a public holiday (clause 31.7(a))	
Overtime – first 3 hours per day Monday to Saturday (clause 31.2(a))	150%
Overtime –after 3 hours per day Monday to Saturday (clause 31.2(b))	200%
Overtime on a Sunday (clause 31.6)	200%
Shiftworkers other than those engaged in vehicle manufacturing	
Shiftworker – afternoon and night shift (clause 29.2(c))	115%
Shiftworker – permanent night shift (clause 29.2(e)(iii))	130%
Work on shift not rostered continuous shift worker Employed on continuous shift work – on a shift other than a rostered shift (clause 29.2(f)(ii))	200%
Work on shift not rostered non-continuous shift worker Employed on other than continuous shift work – Work on shift other than rostered shift - first three hours (clause 29.2(f)(ii))	150%
Employed on other than continuous shift work – Work on shift other	200%

Working hours	% of minimum ordinary hourly rate/ Minimum casual ordinary hourly rate
than rostered shift - after three hours (clause 29.2(f)(ii))	
Shiftworker – ordinary hours on a Saturday (clause 29.2(h)(i))	150%
Shiftworker – ordinary hours on a Sunday (clause 29.2(i)(ii))	200%
Continuous shiftworker – ordinary hours on a public holiday (clause 29.2(i)(i))	200%
Continuous shiftworker – overtime on a public holiday (clause 31.7(b))	200%
Overtime – continuous shiftworker Continuous shiftworker – overtime (clause 31.4)	200%
Non-continuous shiftworker – non-successive afternoon or night shift Afternoon or night shift – non-successive shifts – first 3 hours (clause 29.2(d))	150%
Non-continuous shiftworker – non-successive afternoon or night shift Afternoon or night shift – non-successive shifts – after 3 hours (clause 29.2(d))	200%
Overtime – non-continuous shiftworker Other than continuous shiftworker – overtime – first 3 hours Monday to Saturday (clause 31.2(a))	150%
Overtime – non-continuous shiftworker Other than continuous shiftworker – overtime – after 3 hours Monday to Saturday (clause 31.2(a))	200%
Overtime – non-continuous shiftworker Other than continuous shiftworker – overtime – Sunday (clause 31.6)	200%
Other than continuous shiftworker – ordinary hours on public holiday (clause 31.7(c))	250%
Non-continuous shiftworker – Other than continuous shiftworker – overtime on a public holiday (clause 31.7(c))	250%
Shiftworkers engaged in vehicle manufacturing	
Night shift only	130%
Alternating night and afternoon shifts	118%
Alternating day and night shifts—rate for the night shift	112.5%
Afternoon shift only	118%

Working hours	% of minimum ordinary hourly rate/ Minimum casual ordinary hourly rate
Alternating day and afternoon shifts—rate for the afternoon shift	112.5%
Alternating day, afternoon and night shifts—rate for the afternoon and night shift	112.5%
Continuous afternoon or night shift	112.5%
Saturday	125%

C.1.2 Other Circumstances Attracting a Penalty Payment

Circumstances	% of minimum ordinary hourly rate/minimum casual ordinary hourly rate
Working through meal breaks on a Saturday or Sunday (refer clause 14.5(b))	125%
Working through meal break on a shift where employees are entitled to a 15% loading (clause 14.5(b)(iii))	165%
Working through meal break on a shift where employees are entitled to a 30% loading (clause 14.5(b)(iv))	180%
Working through meal break in all other circumstances (clause 14.5(b)(i))	150%
Ship Trials (refer clause 15.4)	125% or 150%
Travelling time payment Sunday or public holiday (refer clause 27.4(e)(i)).	150%
Unrelieved non-continuous shiftworker for work on RDO (refer clause 31.3)	200%
Rest period after overtime (refer clause 31.13(c) and (d))	200%
Call back Day and Non-continuous other than shiftworker (refer clause 31.14(a)(i))	150% for first 3 hours 200% thereafter
Call back continuous shiftworker (refer clause 31.14(a)(ii))	200%

C.2 Full-time and part-time employees hourly rates

C.2.1 Where an allowance is payable for all purposes in accordance with clause 27.1, this forms part of an employee’s ordinary hourly rate and must be added to the minimum hourly rate prior to calculating penalties, overtime and leave payments.

C.2.2 The minimum rates in the table below do not contain any Clause 27.1 all purpose allowances. Where an employee is entitled to a Clause 27.1 all purpose allowance an employee’s ordinary hourly rate is calculated according to C.2.1.

Classification	Hourly rate % of minimum hourly rate								
	100%	112.5%	115%	118%	125%	130%	150%	200%	250%
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
C14 / V1	17.70	19.91	20.36	20.89	22.13	23.01	26.55	35.40	44.25
C13 / V2	18.21	20.49	20.94	21.49	22.76	23.67	27.32	36.42	45.53
C12 / V3	18.91	21.27	21.75	22.31	23.64	24.58	28.37	37.82	47.28
C11 / V4	19.56	22.01	22.49	23.08	24.45	25.43	29.34	39.12	48.90
C10 / V5	20.61	23.19	23.70	24.32	25.76	26.79	30.92	41.22	51.53
C9 / V6	21.26	23.92	24.45	25.09	26.58	27.64	31.89	42.52	53.15
C8 / V7	21.90	24.64	25.19	25.84	27.38	28.47	32.85	43.80	54.75
C7	22.49	25.37	25.86	26.61	28.19	29.24	33.74	44.98	56.23
V8	22.55	26.58	25.93	27.88	29.54	29.32	33.83	45.10	56.38
C6 / V9	23.63	27.14	27.17	28.46	30.15	30.72	35.45	47.26	59.08
C5 / V10	24.11	27.86	27.73	29.22	30.95	31.34	36.17	48.22	60.28
C4 / V11	24.76	29.32	28.47	30.75	32.58	32.19	37.14	49.52	61.90
C3 / V12	26.06	30.05	29.97	31.52	33.39	33.88	39.09	52.12	65.15
C2(a) / V13	26.71	31.35	30.72	32.89	34.84	34.72	40.07	53.42	66.78
C2(b) / V14	27.87	19.91	32.05	20.89	22.13	36.23	41.81	55.74	69.68
Driver classifications									
D1	19.36	22.30	22.26	23.39	24.78	25.17	29.04	38.72	48.40
D2	19.59	22.57	22.53	23.67	25.08	25.47	29.39	39.18	48.98
D3	19.83	22.84	22.80	23.95	25.38	25.78	29.75	39.66	49.58
D4	20.11	23.16	23.13	24.30	25.74	26.14	30.17	40.22	50.28

C.3 Casual employees

C.3.1 Casual minimum hourly rate includes the casual loading which is payable for all purposes. Where an allowance is payable for all purposes in accordance with clause 27.1, this forms part of an employee’s casual ordinary hourly rate and must be added to the applicable permanent minimum hourly rate in C.2. prior to the application of the 25% or 17.5% casual loading to form the casual employee’s ordinary hourly rate. The casual ordinary hourly rate applies for all purposes and is used to calculate penalties and overtime.

C.3.2 The rates in the table below do not contain any Clause 27.1 all purpose allowances. Where a casual employee is entitled to a Clause 27.1 all purpose allowance the casual’s employee’s ordinary hourly rate is calculated according to C.3.1.

(a) Casual rates—based on 25% casual loading in accordance with clause 6.4(b)(i)

Classification	Hourly Rate								
	% of casual minimum hourly rate								
	(based on 25% casual loading in accordance with clause 6.4(b)(i))								
	100%	112.5%	115%	118%	125%	130%	150%	200%	250%
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
C14 / V1	22.13	24.90	25.45	26.11	27.01	28.77	33.20	44.26	55.33
C13 / V2	22.76	25.61	26.17	26.86	27.80	29.59	34.14	45.52	56.90
C12 / V3	23.64	26.60	27.19	27.90	28.86	30.73	35.46	47.28	59.10
C11 / V4	24.45	27.51	28.12	28.85	27.66	31.79	36.68	48.90	61.13
C10 / V5	25.76	28.98	29.62	30.40	28.45	33.49	38.64	51.52	64.40
C9 / V6	26.58	29.90	30.57	31.36	29.55	34.55	39.87	53.16	66.45
C8 / V7	27.38	30.80	31.49	32.31	30.56	35.59	41.07	54.76	68.45
C7	28.11	31.71	32.33	33.26	32.20	36.54	42.17	56.22	70.28
V8	28.19	33.23	32.41	34.86	33.23	36.65	42.29	56.38	70.48
C6 / V9	29.54	33.92	33.97	35.58	34.23	38.40	44.31	59.08	73.85
C5 / V10	30.14	34.82	34.66	36.52	35.24	39.18	45.21	60.28	75.35
C4 / V11	30.95	36.65	35.59	38.44	36.93	40.24	46.43	61.90	77.38
C3 / V12	32.58	37.56	37.47	39.40	37.69	42.35	48.87	65.16	81.45
C2(a) / V13	33.39	24.90	38.40	41.11	38.69	43.41	50.09	66.78	83.48
C2(b) / V14	34.84	25.61	40.07	26.11	40.73	45.29	52.26	69.68	87.10
Driver classifications									
D1	24.78	27.88	27.83	29.24	29.24	32.21	61.95	49.56	61.95

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Classification	Hourly Rate								
	% of casual minimum hourly rate								
	(based on 25% casual loading in accordance with clause 6.4(b)(i))								
	100%	112.5%	115%	118%	125%	130%	150%	200%	250%
D2	25.08	28.22	28.16	29.59	29.59	32.60	62.70	50.16	62.70
D3	25.38	28.55	28.51	29.95	29.95	32.99	63.45	50.76	63.45
D4	25.74	28.96	28.91	30.37	30.37	33.46	64.35	51.48	64.35

(b) Casual rates—based on 17.5% casual loading in accordance with clause 6.4(b)(iv)

Classification	Hourly Rate								
	% of casual minimum hourly rate								
	(based on 17.5% casual loading in accordance with clause 6.4(b)(iv))								
	100%	112.5%	115%	118%	125%	130%	150%	200%	250%
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
C14 / V1	20.80	23.40	23.92	24.54	26.00	27.04	31.20	41.60	51.99
C13 / V2	21.40	24.07	24.61	25.25	26.75	27.82	32.10	42.79	53.49
C12 / V3	22.22	25.00	25.55	26.22	27.78	28.89	33.33	44.44	55.55
C11 / V4	22.98	25.86	26.43	27.12	28.73	29.88	34.47	45.97	57.46
C10 / V5	24.22	27.24	27.85	28.58	30.28	31.48	36.33	48.43	60.54
C9 / V6	24.98	28.10	28.73	29.48	31.23	32.47	37.47	49.96	62.45
C8 / V7	25.73	28.95	29.59	30.36	32.16	33.45	38.60	51.47	64.33
V8	26.50	29.81	30.48	32.76	33.13	34.45	39.74	52.99	66.24
C6 / V9	27.77	31.24	31.94	33.44	34.71	36.09	41.65	55.53	69.41
C5 / V10	28.34	31.88	32.59	34.33	35.43	36.84	42.51	56.68	70.85
C4 / V11	29.09	32.73	33.45	36.13	36.36	37.82	43.64	58.19	72.73
C3 / V12	30.62	34.45	35.21	37.03	38.28	39.81	45.93	61.24	76.55
C2(a) / V13	31.38	35.31	36.09	38.64	39.23	40.80	47.08	62.77	78.46
C2(b) / V14	32.75	36.84	37.66	24.54	40.94	42.57	49.12	65.49	81.87

Schedule D—Summary of Monetary Allowances

D.1 Wage related allowances

The wage related allowances in this award are based on the standard rate defined in Schedule I—Definitions as the minimum hourly wage prescribed for the C10/V5 level in clause 16.1 = \$20.13

D.1.1 Wage related allowances

See clause 27 for full details of wage related allowances payable under this award.

Allowance	Clause	% of standard rate \$20.61	\$
Leading hand allowance ¹ :	27.1(a)		
In charge of 3 to 10 employees		166.3	34.27 per week
In charge of 11 to 20 employees		248.4	51.20 per week
In charge of more than 20 employees		316.2	65.17 per week
Ship repairing ¹ :	27.1(b)		
Tradespersons		75.5	15.56 per week
All other employees		61.1	12.59 per week
Technical computing equipment ¹	27.1(e)	196.5	40.50 per week
Artificial fertilizers and chemicals ¹ :	27.1(g)		
Industry allowance—work in relation to fertilizers and related activities (other than acid)		40.1	8.26 per week
Industry allowance—otherwise		52.7	10.86 per week
General duties		7.2	1.48 per day
Acid production and related activities		11.5	2.37 per day
Fertiliser production and despatch		12.3	2.54 per day
First aid allowance	27.2(b)	75.6	15.58 per week
Supervisor/Trainer/Coordinator— Technical allowance	27.1(f)	-	107% of the minimum wage applicable to the employee's technical classification.
Engine driver and fireperson:	27.2(g)		
Attending to refrigeration compressors		159.7	32.91 per week
Attending to an electric generator or dynamo exceeding 10 kW capacity		159.7	32.91 per week
Being in charge of plant		159.7	32.91 per week

Allowance	Clause	% of standard rate \$20.61	\$
Attending to a switchboard where the generating capacity is 350 kW or over		49.8	10.26 per week
Cleaner, greaser or oiler allowance	27.2(h)	148.0	30.50 per week
Manganese dioxide and other pigments allowance:	27.2(i)		
First 2 hours		8.5	1.75 per hour
More than 2 hours		60.3	12.43 per day
Inspector's allowance (paid in excess of wage payable to employee whose work is inspected)	27.2(j)	155.04	31.95 per week
Carpenter's allowance	27.2(k)	1.25	0.26 per hour

¹These allowances apply for all purposes of this award

D.1.2 Wage related allowances—Special rates

See clause 27 for full details of wage related allowances—special rates payable under this award.

Allowance	Clause	% of standard rate \$20.13	\$ per hour unless stated otherwise
Cold places allowance	27.3(c)	2.8	0.58
Hot places allowance:	27.3(d)		
Between 46 and 54 degrees Celsius		2.9	0.60
In excess of 54 degrees Celsius		3.8	0.78
Wet places allowance	27.3(e)	2.9	0.60
Confined spaces allowance	27.3(f)	3.8	0.78
Dirty work—other than ship repair work	27.3(g)(i)	2.9	0.60
Dirty work—ship repair work	27.3(g)(ii)	3.8	0.78
Height money	27.3(h)	2.1	0.43
Meat digesters and oil tanks allowance	27.3(i)	2.9	0.60
Sanitary works allowance	27.3(j)	2.0	0.41
Insulation materials allowance	27.3(k)	3.8	0.78
Slaughtering yards allowance	27.3(l)	2.1	0.43
Boiler repairs—smoke-boxes, fire-boxes, furnaces etc.	27.3(m)(i)	2.1	0.43

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Allowance	Clause	% of standard rate \$20.13	\$ per hour unless stated otherwise
Boiler repairs—repairs on oil fired boilers etc.	27.3(m)(ii)	7.4	1.53
Explosive powered tools	27.3(o)	7.5	1.55 per day
Ships in dock	27.3(p)	2.1	0.43
Foundry allowance	27.3(q)	2.2	0.45
Boiling down works	27.3(r)	2.1	0.43
Lead works	27.3(s)	2.1	0.43
Handlers of carbon black	27.3(t)	4.8	0.99
Installing or repairing belting underground in mines	27.3(u)	1.5	0.31
Processing free coal dust	27.3(v)	2.1	0.43
Boiler cleaning—engine driver	27.3(w)	8.2	1.69
Foreign rock:	27.3(y)		
Rock phosphate, superphosphate and mixed manure sections receiving ex ship or railway truck		33.6	6.92 per week
Handling rock phosphate to crushers and all other employees in the rock phosphate section		31.8	6.55 per week
Mixing superphosphate		31.8	6.55 per week
Excavating bins, and the manufacture or excavating of superphosphate until dumped on the heap for curing		20.7	4.27 per week
The handling of superphosphate from the heap until loading in wagons or trucks for despatch, etc.		12.6	2.60 per week
Farmers' own bags:	27.3(z)		
Sorting, branding, bagging, etc.		2.5	0.52 per day
Loading double-handling into railway or other trucks, etc.		4.6	0.95 per day
Loading single-handling into railway or other trucks, etc.		6.2	1.28 per day
Soda ash	27.3(aa)	8.8	1.81
Raw materials	27.3(bb)	3.3	0.68
Skimming and floater setting—flat	27.3(cc)	12.6	2.60 per half

Allowance	Clause	% of standard rate \$20.13	\$ per hour unless stated otherwise
glass tank			hour
Float glass furnace repair	27.3(ee)	-	100% of the minimum wage applicable to the employee
Glass furnace regenerators	27.3(dd)	69.4	14.30 per day
Jack bolt tensioner	27.3(ff)	37.6	7.75 per shift or part thereof
Loading and unloading away from employer's premises	27.3(gg)	37.6	7.75 per shift or part thereof

D.1.3 Adjustment of wage related allowances

Wage related allowances are adjusted in accordance with increases to wages and are based on a percentage of the standard rate as specified.

D.2 Expense related allowances

The following expense related allowances will be payable to employees in accordance with clause 27:

Allowance	Clause	\$
Tool allowance—tradespersons and apprentices ¹	27.1(c)	14.96 per week
Tool allowance—carpenter or joiner or shipwright/boatbuilder ¹	27.1(d)	28.32 per week
Meal allowance	27.2(c)	13.81 per occasion
Vehicle allowance	27.2(a)	0.78 per km
Handlers of carbon black—overall allowance	27.3(t)(ii)	0.35 per day
Expenses—meal	27.4(f)(ii)	13.81 per meal
¹ These allowances apply for all purposes of this award		

D.3 Adjustment of expense-related allowances

At the time of any adjustment to the standard rate, each expense related allowance must be increased by the relevant adjustment factor. The relevant adjustment factor for this purpose is the percentage movement in the applicable index figure most recently published by the Australian Bureau of Statistics since the allowance was last adjusted.

The applicable index figure is the index figure published by the Australian Bureau of Statistics for the Eight Capitals Consumer Price Index (Cat No. 6401.0), as follows:

Allowance	Applicable Consumer Price Index figure
Carbon black overall allowance	Clothing and footwear group
Meal allowance	Take away and fast foods sub-group
Vehicle allowance	Private motoring sub-group
Tool allowance	Tools and equipment for house and garden component of the household appliances, utensils and tools sub-group

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Schedule E—Supported Wage System

E.1 This schedule defines the conditions which will apply to employees who because of the effects of a disability are eligible for a supported wage under the terms of this award.

E.2 In this schedule:

approved assessor means a person accredited by the management unit established by the Commonwealth under the supported wage system to perform assessments of an individual's productive capacity within the supported wage system

assessment instrument means the tool provided for under the supported wage system that records the assessment of the productive capacity of the person to be employed under the supported wage system

disability support pension means the Commonwealth pension scheme to provide income security for persons with a disability as provided under the *Social Security Act 1991* (Cth), as amended from time to time, or any successor to that scheme

relevant minimum wage means the minimum wage prescribed in this award for the class of work for which an employee is engaged

supported wage system (SWS) means the Commonwealth Government system to promote employment for people who cannot work at full award wages because of a disability, as documented in the Supported Wage System Handbook. The Handbook is available from the following website: www.jobaccess.gov.au

SWS wage assessment agreement means the document in the form required by the Department of Social Services that records the employee's productive capacity and agreed wage rate

E.3 Eligibility criteria

E.3.1 Employees covered by this schedule will be those who are unable to perform the range of duties to the competence level required within the class of work for which the employee is engaged under this award, because of the effects of a disability on their productive capacity and who meet the impairment criteria for receipt of a disability support pension.

E.3.2 This schedule does not apply to any existing employee who has a claim against the employer which is subject to the provisions of workers compensation legislation or any provision of this award relating to the rehabilitation of employees who are injured in the course of their employment.

E.4 Supported wage rates

E.4.1 Employees to whom this schedule applies will be paid the applicable percentage of the relevant minimum wage according to the following schedule:

Assessed capacity (clause E.5)	Relevant minimum wage
%	%
10	10
20	20
30	30
40	40
50	50
60	60
70	70
80	80
90	90

E.4.2 Provided that the minimum amount payable must be not less than \$81 per week.

E.4.3 Where an employee’s assessed capacity is 10%, they must receive a high degree of assistance and support.

E.5 Assessment of capacity

E.5.1 For the purpose of establishing the percentage of the relevant minimum wage, the productive capacity of the employee will be assessed in accordance with the Supported Wage System by an approved assessor, having consulted the employer and employee and, if the employee so desires, a union which the employee is eligible to join.

E.5.2 All assessments made under this schedule must be documented in an SWS wage assessment agreement, and retained by the employer as a time and wages record in accordance with the Act.

E.6 Lodgement of SWS wage assessment agreement

E.6.1 All SWS wage assessment agreements under the conditions of this schedule, including the appropriate percentage of the relevant minimum wage to be paid to the employee, must be lodged by the employer with the Fair Work Commission.

E.6.2 All SWS wage assessment agreements must be agreed and signed by the employee and employer parties to the assessment. Where a union which has an interest in the award is not a party to the assessment, the assessment will be referred by the Fair Work Commission to the union by certified mail and the agreement will take effect unless an objection is notified to the Fair Work Commission within 10 working days.

E.7 Review of assessment

The assessment of the applicable percentage should be subject to annual or more frequent review on the basis of a reasonable request for such a review. The process of review must be in accordance with the procedures for assessing capacity under the supported wage system.

E.8 Other terms and conditions of employment

Where an assessment has been made, the applicable percentage will apply to the relevant minimum wage only. Employees covered by the provisions of this schedule will be entitled to the same terms and conditions of employment as other workers covered by this award on a pro rata basis.

E.9 Workplace adjustment

An employer wishing to employ a person under the provisions of this schedule must take reasonable steps to make changes in the workplace to enhance the employee's capacity to do the job. Changes may involve re-design of job duties, working time arrangements and work organisation in consultation with other workers in the area.

E.10 Trial period

E.10.1 In order for an adequate assessment of the employee's capacity to be made, an employer may employ a person under the provisions of this schedule for a trial period not exceeding 12 weeks, except that in some cases additional work adjustment time (not exceeding four weeks) may be needed.

E.10.2 During that trial period the assessment of capacity will be undertaken and the percentage of the relevant minimum wage for a continuing employment relationship will be determined.

E.10.3 The minimum amount payable to the employee during the trial period must be no less than \$81 per week.

E.10.4 Work trials should include induction or training as appropriate to the job being trialled.

E.10.5 Where the employer and employee wish to establish a continuing employment relationship following the completion of the trial period, a further contract of employment will be entered into based on the outcome of assessment under clause E.5.

Schedule F—School-based Apprenticeships

- F.1** This schedule applies to school-based apprentices. A school-based apprentice is a person who is undertaking an apprenticeship in accordance with this schedule while also undertaking a course of secondary education.
- F.2** A school-based apprenticeship may be undertaken in the trades covered by this award under a training contract for an apprentice declared or recognised by the relevant State or Territory authority.
- F.3** The relevant minimum wages for full-time junior and adult apprentices provided for in this award, calculated hourly, will apply to school-based apprentices for total hours worked including time deemed to be spent in off-the-job training.
- F.4** For the purposes of clause F.3, where an apprentice is a full-time school student, the time spent in off-the-job training for which the apprentice must be paid is 25% of the actual hours worked each week on-the-job. The wages paid for training time may be averaged over the semester or year.
- F.5** A school-based apprentice must be allowed, over the duration of the apprenticeship, the same amount of time to attend off-the-job training as an equivalent full-time apprentice.
- F.6** For the purposes of this schedule, off-the-job training is structured training delivered by a Registered Training Organisation separate from normal work duties or general supervised practice undertaken on the job.
- F.7** The duration of the apprenticeship must be as specified in the training agreement or contract for each apprentice but must not exceed six years.
- F.8** School-based apprentices progress through the relevant wage scale at the rate of 12 months progression for each two years of employment as an apprentice or at the rate of competency-based progression, if provided for in this award.
- F.9** The apprentice wage scales are based on a standard full-time apprenticeship of four years (unless the apprenticeship is of three years duration) or stages of competency based progression, if provided for in this award. The rate of progression reflects the average rate of skill acquisition expected from the typical combination of work and training for a school-based apprentice undertaking the applicable apprenticeship.
- F.10** If an apprentice converts from school-based to full-time, the successful completion of competencies (if provided for in this award) and all time spent as a full-time apprentice will count for the purposes of progression through the relevant wage scale in addition to the progression achieved as a school-based apprentice.
- F.11** School-based apprentices are entitled pro rata to all of the other conditions in this award.

Schedule G—National Training Wage

G.1 Title

This is the *National Training Wage Schedule*.

G.2 Definitions

In this schedule:

adult trainee is a trainee who would qualify for the highest minimum wage in Wage Level A, B or C if covered by that wage level

approved training means the training specified in the training contract

Australian Qualifications Framework (AQF) is a national framework for qualifications in post-compulsory education and training

out of school refers only to periods out of school beyond Year 10 as at the first of January in each year and is deemed to:

- (a) include any period of schooling beyond Year 10 which was not part of or did not contribute to a completed year of schooling;
- (b) include any period during which a trainee repeats in whole or part a year of schooling beyond Year 10; and
- (c) not include any period during a calendar year in which a year of schooling is completed

relevant State or Territory training authority means the bodies in the relevant State or Territory which exercise approval powers in relation to traineeships and register training contracts under the relevant State or Territory vocational education and training legislation

relevant State or Territory vocational education and training legislation means the following or any successor legislation:

Australian Capital Territory: *Training and Tertiary Education Act 2003*;

New South Wales: *Apprenticeship and Traineeship Act 2001*;

Northern Territory: *Northern Territory Employment and Training Act 1991*;

Queensland: *Vocational Education, Training and Employment Act 2000*;

South Australia: *Training and Skills Development Act 2008*;

Tasmania: *Vocational Education and Training Act 1994*;

Victoria: *Education and Training Reform Act 2006*; or

Western Australia: *Vocational Education and Training Act 1996*

trainee is an employee undertaking a traineeship under a training contract

traineeship means a system of training which has been approved by the relevant State or Territory training authority, which meets the requirements of a training package developed by the relevant Industry Skills Council and endorsed by the National Quality Council, and which leads to an AQF certificate level qualification

training contract means an agreement for a traineeship made between an employer and an employee which is registered with the relevant State or Territory training authority

training package means the competency standards and associated assessment guidelines for an AQF certificate level qualification which have been endorsed for an industry or enterprise by the National Quality Council and placed on the National Training Information Service with the approval of the Commonwealth, State and Territory Ministers responsible for vocational education and training, and includes any relevant replacement training package

year 10 includes any year before Year 10

G.3 Coverage

G.3.1 Subject to clauses G.3.2 to G.3.6 of this schedule, this schedule applies in respect of an employee covered by this award who is undertaking a traineeship whose training package and AQF certificate level is allocated to a wage level by clause G.7 to this schedule or by clause G.5.4 of this schedule.

G.3.2 This schedule only applies to AQF Certificate Level IV traineeships for which a relevant AQF Certificate Level III traineeship is listed in clause G.7 to this schedule.

G.3.3 This schedule does not apply to:

- (a) the apprenticeship system;
- (b) qualifications not identified in training packages; or
- (c) qualifications in training packages which are not identified as appropriate for a traineeship.

Parties are asked to identify “any training program which applies to the same occupation and achieves essentially the same training outcome as an existing apprenticeship in an award as at 25 June 1997” that they consider should not be covered by this Schedule.

G.3.4 This schedule does not apply to qualifications not identified in training packages or to qualifications in training packages which are not identified as appropriate for a traineeship.

G.3.5 Where the terms and conditions of this schedule conflict with other terms and conditions of this award dealing with traineeships, the other terms and conditions of this award prevail.

G.3.6 At the conclusion of the traineeship, this schedule ceases to apply to the employee.

G.4 Types of Traineeship

The following types of traineeship are available under this schedule:

- G.4.1** a full-time traineeship based on 38 ordinary hours per week, with 20% of ordinary hours being approved training; and
- G.4.2** a part-time traineeship based on less than 38 ordinary hours per week, with 20% of ordinary hours being approved training solely on-the-job or partly on-the-job and partly off-the-job, or where training is fully off-the-job.

G.5 Minimum Wages

Wage rates in tables updated as a result of AWR 2015

G.5.1 Minimum wages for full-time traineeships

(a) Wage Level A

Subject to clause G.5.3 of this schedule, the minimum wages for a trainee undertaking a full-time AQF Certificate Level I–III traineeship whose training package and AQF certificate levels are allocated to Wage Level A by clause G.7.1 are:

	Highest year of schooling completed		
	Year 10 per week	Year 11 per week	Year 12 per week
	\$	\$	\$
School leaver	302.20	332.80	396.50
Plus 1 year out of school	332.80	396.50	461.40
Plus 2 years out of school	396.50	461.40	537.00
Plus 3 years out of school	461.40	537.00	614.80
Plus 4 years out of school	537.00	614.80	
Plus 5 or more years out of school	614.80		

(b) Wage Level B

Subject to clause G.5.3 of this schedule, the minimum wages for a trainee undertaking a full-time AQF Certificate Level I–III traineeship whose training package and AQF certificate levels are allocated to Wage Level B by clause G.7.2 are:

	Highest year of schooling completed		
	Year 10 per week	Year 11 Per week	Year 12 per week
	\$	\$	\$
School leaver	302.20	332.80	385.80
Plus 1 year out of school	332.80	385.80	443.80

	Highest year of schooling completed		
	Year 10	Year 11	Year 12
	per week	Per week	per week
	\$	\$	\$
Plus 2 years out of school	385.80	443.80	520.40
Plus 3 years out of school	443.80	520.40	593.60
Plus 4 years out of school	520.40	593.60	
Plus 5 or more years out of school	593.60		

(c) Wage Level C

Subject to clause G.5.3 of this schedule, the minimum wages for a trainee undertaking a full-time AQF Certificate Level I–III traineeship whose training package and AQF certificate levels are allocated to Wage Level C by clause G.7.3 are:

	Highest year of schooling completed		
	Year 10	Year 11	Year 12
	per week	per week	per week
	\$	\$	\$
School leaver	302.20	332.80	385.80
Plus 1 year out of school	332.80	385.80	434.30
Plus 2 years out of school	385.80	434.30	485.20
Plus 3 years out of school	434.30	485.20	540.60
Plus 4 years out of school	485.20	540.60	
Plus 5 or more years out of school	540.60		

(d) AQF Certificate Level IV traineeships

(i) Subject to clause G.5.3 of this schedule, the minimum wages for a trainee undertaking a full-time AQF Certificate Level IV traineeship are the minimum wages for the relevant full-time AQF Certificate Level III traineeship with the addition of 3.8% to those minimum wages.

(ii) Subject to clause G.5.3 of this schedule, the minimum wages for an adult trainee undertaking a full-time AQF Certificate Level IV traineeship are as follows, provided that the relevant wage level is that for the relevant AQF Certificate Level III traineeship:

Wage level	First year of traineeship	Second and subsequent years of traineeship
	per week	per week
	\$	\$
Wage Level A	638.50	663.20

Wage level	First year of traineeship	Second and subsequent years of traineeship
	per week	per week
	\$	\$
Wage Level B	616.00	639.70
Wage Level C	560.60	581.80

G.5.2 Minimum wages for part-time traineeships

(a) Wage Level A

Subject to clauses G.5.2(f) and G.5.3 of this schedule, the minimum wages for a trainee undertaking a part-time AQF Certificate Level I–III traineeship whose training package and AQF certificate levels are allocated to Wage Level A by clause G.7.1 are:

	Highest year of schooling completed		
	Year 10	Year 11	Year 12
	per hour	per hour	per hour
	\$	\$	\$
School leaver	9.94	10.96	13.05
Plus 1 year out of school	10.96	13.05	15.19
Plus 2 years out of school	13.05	15.19	17.66
Plus 3 years out of school	15.19	17.66	20.21
Plus 4 years out of school	17.66	20.21	
Plus 5 or more years out of school	20.21		

(b) Wage Level B

Subject to clauses G.5.2(f) and G.5.3 of this schedule, the minimum wages for a trainee undertaking a part-time AQF Certificate Level I–III traineeship whose training package and AQF certificate levels are allocated to Wage Level B by clause G.7.2 are:

	Highest year of schooling completed		
	Year 10	Year 11	Year 12
	per hour	per hour	per hour
	\$	\$	\$
School leaver	9.94	10.96	12.70
Plus 1 year out of school	10.96	12.70	14.60
Plus 2 years out of school	12.70	14.60	17.13
Plus 3 years out of school	14.60	17.13	19.54
Plus 4 years out of school	17.13	19.54	

	Highest year of schooling completed		
	Year 10	Year 11	Year 12
	per hour	per hour	per hour
	\$	\$	\$
Plus 5 or more years out of school	19.54		

(c) Wage Level C

Subject to clauses G.5.2(f) and G.5.3 of this schedule, the minimum wages for a trainee undertaking a part-time AQF Certificate Level I–III traineeship whose training package and AQF certificate levels are allocated to Wage Level C by clause G.7.3 are:

	Highest year of schooling completed		
	Year 10	Year 11	Year 12
	per hour	per hour	per hour
	\$	\$	\$
School leaver	9.94	10.96	12.70
Plus 1 year out of school	10.96	12.70	14.28
Plus 2 years out of school	12.70	14.28	15.95
Plus 3 years out of school	14.28	15.95	17.78
Plus 4 years out of school	15.95	17.78	
Plus 5 or more years out of school	17.78		

(d) School-based traineeships

Subject to clauses G.5.2(f) and G.5.3 of this schedule, the minimum wages for a trainee undertaking a school-based AQF Certificate Level I–III traineeship whose training package and AQF certificate levels are allocated to Wage Levels A, B or C by clause G.7 are as follows when the trainee works ordinary hours:

Year of schooling	
Year 11 or lower	Year 12
per hour	per hour
\$	\$
9.94	10.96

(e) AQF Certificate Level IV traineeships

(i) Subject to clauses G.5.2(f) and G.5.3 of this schedule, the minimum wages for a trainee undertaking a part-time AQF Certificate Level IV traineeship are the minimum wages for the relevant part-time AQF Certificate Level III traineeship with the addition of 3.8% to those minimum wages.

(ii) Subject to clauses G.5.2(f) and G.5.3 of this schedule, the minimum wages for an adult trainee undertaking a part-time AQF Certificate Level

IV traineeship are as follows, provided that the relevant wage level is that for the relevant AQF Certificate Level III traineeship:

Wage level	First year of traineeship	Second and subsequent years of traineeship
	per hour	per hour
	\$	\$
Wage Level A	21.00	21.82
Wage Level B	20.24	21.03
Wage Level C	18.44	19.15

(f) Calculating the actual minimum wage

- (i) Where the full-time ordinary hours of work are not 38 or an average of 38 per week, the appropriate hourly minimum wage is obtained by multiplying the relevant minimum wage in clauses G.5.2(a)–(e) of this schedule by 38 and then dividing the figure obtained by the full-time ordinary hours of work per week.
- (ii) Where the approved training for a part-time traineeship is provided fully off-the-job by a registered training organisation, for example at school or at TAFE, the relevant minimum wage in clauses G.5.2(a)–(e) of this schedule applies to each ordinary hour worked by the trainee.
- (iii) Where the approved training for a part-time traineeship is undertaken solely on-the-job or partly on-the-job and partly off-the-job, the relevant minimum wage in clauses G.5.2(a)–(e) of this schedule minus 20% applies to each ordinary hour worked by the trainee.

G.5.3 Other minimum wage provisions

- (a) An employee who was employed by an employer immediately prior to becoming a trainee with that employer must not suffer a reduction in their minimum wage per week or per hour by virtue of becoming a trainee. Casual loadings will be disregarded when determining whether the employee has suffered a reduction in their minimum wage.
- (b) If a qualification is converted from an AQF Certificate Level II to an AQF Certificate Level III traineeship, or from an AQF Certificate Level III to an AQF Certificate Level IV traineeship, then the trainee must be paid the next highest minimum wage provided in this schedule, where a higher minimum wage is provided for the new AQF certificate level.

G.5.4 Default wage rate

The minimum wage for a trainee undertaking an AQF Certificate Level I–III traineeship whose training package and AQF certificate level are not allocated to a wage level by clause G.7 is the relevant minimum wage under this schedule for a trainee undertaking an AQF Certificate to Level I–III traineeship whose training package and AQF certificate level are allocated to Wage Level B.

G.6 Employment conditions

- G.6.1** A trainee undertaking a school-based traineeship may, with the agreement of the trainee, be paid an additional loading of 25% on all ordinary hours worked instead of paid annual leave, paid personal/carer’s leave and paid absence on public holidays, provided that where the trainee works on a public holiday then the public holiday provisions of this award apply.
- G.6.2** A trainee is entitled to be released from work without loss of continuity of employment and to payment of the appropriate wages to attend any training and assessment specified in, or associated with, the training contract.
- G.6.3** Time spent by a trainee, other than a trainee undertaking a school-based traineeship, in attending any training and assessment specified in, or associated with, the training contract is to be regarded as time worked for the employer for the purposes of calculating the trainee’s wages and determining the trainee’s employment conditions.
- Note:** The time to be included for the purpose of calculating the wages for part-time trainees whose approved training is fully off-the-job is determined by clause G.5.2(f)(ii) and not by this clause.
- G.6.4** Subject to clause G.3.5 of this schedule, all other terms and conditions of this award apply to a trainee unless specifically varied by this schedule.

G.7 Allocation of Traineeships to Wage Levels

Parties are asked to review the packages listed to ensure the lists are complete and up-to-date.

The wage levels applying to training packages and their AQF certificate levels are:

G.7.1 Wage Level A

F.7.1 updated in accordance with para [356] [\[2015\] FWCFB 7236](#)

Training package	AQF certificate level
Aeroskills	II
Aviation	I, II, III
Beauty	III
Business Services	I, II, III
Chemical, Hydrocarbons and Refining	I, II, III
Civil Construction	III
Coal Training Package	II, III
Community Services	II, III
Construction, Plumbing and Services Integrated Framework	I, II, III
Correctional Services	II, III
Drilling	II, III

Training package	AQF certificate level
Electricity Supply Industry—Generation Sector	II, III (III in Western Australia only)
Electricity Supply Industry—Transmission, Distribution and Rail Sector	II
Electrotechnology	I, II, III (III in Western Australia only)
Financial Services	I, II, III
Floristry	III
Food Processing Industry	III
Gas Industry	III
Information and Communications Technology	I, II, III
Laboratory Operations	II, III
Local Government (other than Operational Works Cert I and II)	I, II, III
Manufactured Mineral Products	III
Manufacturing	I, II, III
Maritime	I, II, III
Metal and Engineering (Technical)	II, III
Metalliferous Mining	II, III
Museum, Library and Library/Information Services	II, III
Plastics, Rubber and Cablemaking	III
Public Safety	III
Public Sector	II, III
Pulp and Paper Manufacturing Industries	III
Retail Services (including wholesale and Community pharmacy)	III
Telecommunications	II, III
Textiles, Clothing and Footwear	III
Tourism, Hospitality and Events	I, II, III
Training and Assessment	III
Transport and Distribution <u>Logistics</u>	III
Water Industry (Utilities)	III

G.7.2 Wage Level B

E.7.2 updated in accordance with para [356] [\[2015\] FWCFB 7236](#)

Training package	AQF certificate level
Animal Care and Management	I, II, III
Asset Maintenance	I, II, III
Australian Meat Industry	I, II, III
Automotive Industry Manufacturing	II, III
Automotive Industry Retail, Service and Repair	I, II, III
Beauty	II
Caravan Industry	II, III
Civil Construction	I
Community Recreation Industry	III
Entertainment	I, II, III
Extractive Industries	II, III
Fitness Industry	III
Floristry	II
Food Processing Industry	I, II
Forest and Forest Products Industry	I, II, III
Furnishing	I, II, III
Gas Industry	I, II
Health	II, III
Local Government (Operational Works)	I, II
Manufactured Mineral Products	I, II
Metal and Engineering (Production)	II, III
Outdoor Recreation Industry	I, II, III
Plastics, Rubber and Cablemaking	II
Printing and Graphic Arts	II, III
Property Services	I, II, III
Public Safety	I, II
Pulp and Paper Manufacturing Industries	I, II
Retail Services	I, II
Screen and Media	I, II, III
Sport Industry	II, III

Training package	AQF certificate level
Sugar Milling	I, II, III
Textiles, Clothing and Footwear	I, II
Transport and Logistics	I, II
Visual Arts, Craft and Design	I, II, III
Water Industry	I, II

G.7.3 Wage Level C

Training package	AQF certificate level
Agri-Food	I
Amenity Horticulture	I, II, III
Conservation and Land Management	I, II, III
Funeral Services	I, II, III
Music	I, II, III
Racing Industry	I, II, III
Rural Production	I, II, III
Seafood Industry	I, II, III

Schedule H—2016 Part-day public holidays

This provision is being reviewed in [AM2014/301](#)

This schedule operates where this award otherwise contains provisions dealing with public holidays that supplement the NES.

- H.1** Where a part-day public holiday is declared or prescribed between 7.00 pm and midnight on Christmas Eve (24 December 2016) or New Year's Eve (31 December 2016) the following will apply on Christmas Eve and New Year's Eve and will override any provision in this award relating to public holidays to the extent of the inconsistency:
- (a) All employees will have the right to refuse to work on the part-day public holiday if the request to work is not reasonable or the refusal is reasonable as provided for in the NES.
 - (b) Where a part-time or full-time employee is usually rostered to work ordinary hours between 7.00 pm and midnight but as a result of exercising their right under the NES does not work, they will be paid their ordinary rate of pay for such hours not worked.
 - (c) Where a part-time or full-time employee is usually rostered to work ordinary hours between 7.00 pm and midnight but as a result of being on annual leave does not work, they will be taken not to be on annual leave between those hours of 7.00 pm and midnight that they would have usually been rostered to work and will be paid their ordinary rate of pay for such hours.
 - (d) Where a part-time or full-time employee is usually rostered to work ordinary hours between 7.00 pm and midnight, but as a result of having a rostered day off (RDO) provided under this award, does not work, the employee will be taken to be on a public holiday for such hours and paid their ordinary rate of pay for those hours.
 - (e) Excluding annualised salaried employees to whom clause H.1(f) applies, where an employee works any hours between 7.00 pm and midnight they will be entitled to the appropriate public holiday penalty rate (if any) in this award for those hours worked.
 - (f) Where an employee is paid an annualised salary under the provisions of this award and is entitled under this award to time off in lieu or additional annual leave for work on a public holiday, they will be entitled to time off in lieu or pro-rata annual leave equivalent to the time worked between 7.00 pm and midnight.
 - (g) An employee not rostered to work between 7.00 pm and midnight, other than an employee who has exercised their right in accordance with clause H.1(a), will not be entitled to another day off, another day's pay or another day of annual leave as a result of the part-day public holiday.
 - (h) Nothing in this schedule affects the right of an employee and employer to agree to substitute public holidays.

This schedule is not intended to detract from or supplement the NES.

This schedule is an interim provision and subject to further review.

Schedule I—Definitions

In this award, unless the contrary intention appears:

Act means the *Fair Work Act 2009* (Cth)

adult apprentice means a person of 21 years of age or over at the time of entering into a training contract as provided for in clause 7—Apprentices

afternoon shift means any shift finishing after 6.00 p.m. and at or before midnight

agricultural implements, machinery and appliances means farming or pastoral equipment such as harvesters, headers, windmills for the purpose of pumping river or subterranean water, ploughs, harrows, discs, seeders, top-dressers, mowing equipment, mobile irrigation equipment, fruit and vegetable harvesting and sorting equipment and such other equipment as is used mainly or solely in the agricultural and/or pastoral industry

all purposes means the payment will be included in the rate of pay of an employee who is entitled to the allowance, when calculating any penalties or loadings or payment while they are on annual leave

applicable rate of pay means the ordinary hourly rate plus penalties and relevant loadings

apprentice includes an adult apprentice

boiler attendant or fireperson—first class means a boiler attendant or fireperson who attends to two or more boilers or two or more suction gas generators, or one boiler the evaporation capacity of which attributed thereto by the maker exceeds 5000 kg but less than 45000 kg of steam per hour, or one gas generator supplying a total engine load capacity attributed thereto by the maker of not less than 740 kW

boilermaker means a tradesperson required to develop work from drawings or prints, or to make templates, or to apply general trade experience in the fabrication, erection and/or repairing of steel or iron ships, boilers or other vessels subject to greater pressure than the weight of their contents including iron and steel receivers or retorts, also riveting by hand/or machine, caulking, chipping and operating all machines used in connection with the foregoing (other than stationary drilling machines) and carrying out such marking off, welding or oxy burning as is incidental to the work of a boilermaker

Bottle merchants means businesses operating bottle yards/collection depots principally collecting bottles, cans, plastic and other packaging materials for drinks

casual ordinary hourly rate means the hourly rate for a casual employee for the employee's classification specified in clause 16—Minimum wages, inclusive of the casual loading. Where an employee is entitled to an all purpose allowance, this allowance forms part of that employee's ordinary hourly rate.

confined space means a compartment, space or place the dimensions of which necessitate an employee working in a stooped or otherwise cramped position or without proper ventilation and subject thereto includes the following spaces:

- (a) in the case of a ship, inside complete tanks, chain lockers and peaks, under engine beds, under engine room and stockhold floors, or under or inside boilers; and
- (b) in other cases, inside boilers, steam drums, mud drums, fire boxes of vertical or road vehicle boilers, furnaces, flues, combustion chambers, receivers, buoys, tanks, superheaters or economisers

coremaker, jobbing means a moulder engaged in making cores for metal moulds by the use of loam or stickle boards or by loose boxes other than loose boxes used for repetition production of cores requiring little or no skill to produce

coremaker, machine means an employee making cores by machine where the core box is a fixture to or part of such machine, or making repetition cores requiring little or no skill to produce

defined benefit member has the meaning given by the *Superannuation Guarantee (Administration) Act 1992* (Cth)

dismantler means an employee engaged in the dismantling of engine assemblies including gear box, in the reconditioning of engines (other than aero engines) by specialised methods

dogman means an employee who (elsewhere than in actual process of manufacturing) transports goods from point-to-point by mechanical power and uses therein clamps, dogs or other standard gear

drier means an adult employee using air hose to dry off after acid wash

electrical mechanic means a tradesperson mainly engaged on electrical installation, repair and maintenance work

electric motor attendant means a person who attends to an electric motor or motors of 22 kW or more in the aggregate, and performs any duties of oiling or cleaning or attending to commutators, brushes, fuses or switches

electrician—special class means an electrical tradesperson required to apply the additional knowledge as defined to that required of Electrical fitter and/or mechanic as defined in this award and who has been for a period of at least six months mainly engaged in the manufacture and/or installation and/or maintenance of machines and/or equipment incorporating electronic equipment and will include any electrical tradespersons who by agreement with the employer is classified as Electrician—special class

(a) For the purpose of this definition **additional knowledge** means:

(i) that acquired after six months' experience; and

(ii) that acquired in obtaining a fifth year trade certificate including the subject Industrial Electronics I from the Electrical Trades School of South Australia or its equivalent or the satisfactory completion of the first year of one of the following courses, including:

- Post-Trade Industrial Electronics Course of the New South Wales Department of Technical Education;

- The Industrial Electronics Course as approved by the Education Department of Victoria;
- CN311 Electrical Course “C” of the Department of Education, Queensland; and
- The Industrial Electronics Course of the Technical Education Department of Tasmania; or

sufficient knowledge of hydraulics and pneumatics to enable the tradesperson to fault find in the said machines and/or equipment.

employee means national system employee within the meaning of the Act

employer means national system employer within the meaning of the Act

engine driver means any person who operates or drives any engine or engines, the motive power of which is either steam, gas, oil, water, compressed air or electricity, and includes any person who is called on in the ordinary course of their duty to do engine driver’s work other than simply stopping or starting an engine under the supervision of an engine driver

engine driver in charge of plant means:

- (a) when two or more drivers are employed at the plant at one time, the engine driver who is invested with the superintendence and responsibility or who has to accept the superintendence and responsibility; or
- (b) an engine driver who is invested with the superintendence and responsibility or who has to accept the superintendence and responsibility over one or more non-certified firepersons; or
- (c) a person who is the only engine driver employed on the plant and who does the general repair work of the plant in addition to the work of engine driving, other than merely assisting a fitter or engineer to do such work; or
- (d) where shifts are worked, the engine driver who in addition to the work of engine driving is directed to carry out the general repair work of the plant, other than merely assisting a fitter or engineer to do such work

engineering streams are the three broad engineering streams recognised within the classification definitions set out in Schedule A—Classification Structure and Definitions namely, electrical/electronic, mechanical and fabrication. The streams are defined as the:

- (a) **electrical/electronic stream** which includes the design, assembly, manufacture, installation, modification, testing, fault finding, commissioning, maintenance and service of all electrical and electronic devices, systems, equipment and controls, such as electrical wiring, motors, generators, PLCs and other electronic controls, instruments, refrigeration, telecommunications, radio and television, and communication and information processing.
- (b) **mechanical stream** which includes the design, assembly, manufacture, installation, modification, testing, fault finding, commissioning, maintenance and service of all mechanical equipment, machinery, fluid power systems,

automotive mechanics, instruments and refrigeration, and the use of related computer controlled equipment, such as Computer Numeric Controlled machine tools.

- (c) **fabrication stream** which includes fabrication in all materials, forging, **carpentry**, plumbing, founding, structural steel erection, electroplating, metal spinning, metal polishing and sheet metal work and the use of related computer controlled equipment

exempt public sector superannuation scheme has the meaning given by the *Superannuation Industry (Supervision) Act 1993* (Cth)

fireperson or greaser in charge of plant means a fireperson or greaser who is the only fireperson or greaser employed on the plant and who does the general repair work of the plant in addition to the work of firing or greasing, other than merely assisting a fitter, engine driver or engineer to do such work or a greaser assisting a fireperson to do such work

greaser or oiler means any person substantially engaged in greasing or oiling any engine, machinery or shafting

greaser or oiler—first class means a greaser or oiler who under the supervision of an engine driver stops or starts an engine or engines, but does not include any greaser or oiler who does so only in cases of necessity or emergency

heat treater means an employee required to apply general trade experience as a heat treater and who carries out the operation of heat treatment to produce in the materials treated such requirements as hardness, toughness, ductibility, resistance to abrasion, elasticity, tensile strength, machine ability and resistance to creep and who works to limits in size, shape and straightness in tool work

jigmaker means a tradesperson engaged in the making of jigs

leading boiler attendant or fireperson—first class means:

- (b) the boiler attendant or fireperson employed at a plant where three or more firepersons are employed at the same time who is invested with the superintendence and responsibility or who has to accept the superintendence and responsibility, but does not include any boiler attendant or fireperson where an engine driver is charged with being in charge of plant; or
- (c) the boiler attendant or fireperson employed at a plant where three or more attendants or firepersons are employed at the same time whose duty is to attend to the water of the boilers that are fitted by two or more of the other boiler attendants or firepersons.

leading boiler attendant or fireperson—second class means:

- (a) the boiler attendant or fireperson employed at a plant where two boiler attendants or firepersons are employed at the same time who is invested with the superintendence or has to accept the superintendence or responsibility, but does not include any boiler attendant or fireperson where an engine driver is charged with being in charge of the plant; or

- (b) the boiler attendant or fireperson employed at a plant where two boiler attendants or firepersons are employed at the same time and whose duty it is to attend to the water of the boilers that are fired by the other fireperson

machine setter means a tradesperson engaged in setting up machines specified in the definition of Machinist (metal)—1st class, for other employees

material chaser or stock to follow up means an employee having the supervision of the delivery according to schedule, of materials between departments or sections

metal and engineering competency standards means the National Metal and Engineering Competency Standards Implementation Guide distributed by Manufacturing Skills Australia (www.mskills.com.au)

motor body developer means a tradesperson required to develop and mark up tooling work from body drafts, but not including an employee performing work normally done by pattern makers, tool makers, template makers, jig makers or body makers

moulder, jobbing means a metal moulder engaged in floor moulding, loam mouldings, trickle moulding or moulding from loose patterns

MySuper product has the meaning given by the *Superannuation Industry (Supervision) Act 1993* (Cth)

NES means the National Employment Standards as contained in ss.[59 to 131](#) of the Act

night shift means any shift finishing after midnight and at or before 8.00 am

on-hire means the on-hire of an employee by their employer to a client, where such employee works under the general guidance and instruction of the client or a representative of the client

on the line means sectionalised body building and assembling in which bodies in the course of building are moved on from one operative group of operatives to another operative or group of operatives

ordinary hourly rate means the hourly rate for the employee's classification specified in clause 16—Minimum wages, plus any allowances specified as being included in the employee's ordinary hourly rate or payable for all purposes

production planners are employees who are or who are mainly engaged in either parts of, or a combination of, or all of:

- (a) the planning of operations, methods or processes including the estimation of requirements of labour, tools or other equipment or components of goods by engineering processes; or
- (b) the performing of routine tasks requiring engineering skill or knowledge, such as calculations or analysis of technical information, in trades involving structural engineering or the manufacture of agricultural implements, machine tools, motor cars and other vehicles, or electrical goods and equipment

radio industry means the industries and trades which are concerned with the manufacture, erection, installation, repair and maintenance of any form of electronic

and/or telecommunication equipment, apparatus, appliance or device, and radio has a corresponding meaning

rigger means an employee responsible for the erection of tackle

rostered shift means any shift of which the employee concerned has had at least 48 hours' notice

ship repairs means:

- (a) all repair work done on ships; or
- (b) all work, other than the making of spare parts and stores, done in a workshop used for ship repairs only; or
- (c) work done in a workshop used for ship repairing, general engineering, metal moulding, steel construction and other heavy metal fabrication on which employees are engaged both on the ship and in the workshop.

special class boiler attendant or fireperson means a boiler attendant or fireperson in charge of boilers with an evaporation capacity of 45,000 kg or more per hour

spring maker by hand means an employee required to manufacture spiral coils, flat or leaf springs by hand where such work does not fall within the definition of a tradesperson

standard rate means the minimum hourly wage prescribed for the C10/V5 level in clause 16.1

steam engine—first class means a turbine or an engine or engines having a single cylinder with a bore of 300 mm in diameter or over, or having singly or together two or more cylinders the sum of the area of whose bores equals or exceeds the area of a circle 300 mm in diameter

steam engine—second class means an engine or engines having a single cylinder with a bore less than 300 mm in diameter or having singly or together two or more cylinders the sum of the area of whose bores is less than the area of a circle 300 mm in diameter

structural steel tradesperson means a tradesperson engaged in assembling, plating, bolting (temporary or otherwise), riveting by hand/or machine, caulking, chipping, staying, reaming, drilling (other than on stationary machines) or such marking off, welding or oxy burning as is incidental to the foregoing, or who in the course of the work operates machines for punching and shearing, rolling, bending, angle or plate straightening, or hydraulic presses or nipping and notching machines, in connection with the making and/or repairing of tanks, water locks, towers (other than agricultural and pastoral types) wagons, tenders, trucks, rolling stock, bridges girders, columns, principals (roofs or otherwise), trusses, structural iron and steel work, but not including parts of standardised frame buildings made in quantities, or motor vehicle chassis, or new vehicles made by mass production methods

technical workers are employees who are or who are mainly engaged:

- (a) in the conducting of scientific or engineering work on:
 - (i) analytical, investigational, developmental, experimental or research work of a technical nature in connection with chemical, biochemical, physical chemical, bacteriological physics, physical testing or metallurgical processes; or
 - (ii) investigational, developmental, experimental, research or technical control work in manufacturing or pilot plants; or
- (b) in assisting in the operations set out in (a)(i) and/or (a)(ii) by:
 - (i) the preparation or care of apparatus or materials; or
 - (ii) the recording or tabulating of results; or
 - (iii) any other means

tracers and draughtspersons are employees who are or who are mainly engaged in making drawings from sketches or other data.

tooling smith means a tradesperson smith who for the greater part of their time is engaged on smithing work for the tool room

toolmaker means a tradesperson making and/or repairing any precision tool, gauge, die or mould to be affixed to any machine, who designs or lays out their work and is responsible for its proper completion and includes any tradesperson engaged in or in connection with the making of any tool, gauge, die or mould as aforesaid who by agreement with the employer is classified as a toolmaker

trimmer, tradesperson means a tradesperson required to perform developmental work and/or work on used vehicles and/or work on custom built units and/or each and every function or production trim operations as directed by the employer

trouble chaser means a tradesperson (any section) engaged in tracing through all necessary stages of drawing, development, tooling and production, and defining the origin of recurring faults which manifest themselves in the course of production, and who is responsible for recommendations for their rectification

tyre fitter means an employee fitting tyres and/or tubes to rims and/or wheels, including, without limiting the generality of the foregoing, wheel balancing and all

operations associated with the removal and/or replacement of rims and/or wheels from or onto vehicles and/or wheeled equipment, including operations involving the use of the employee of compressing, mechanical and/or power operated apparatus

tyre repairing and retreading processes includes functions/operations of warming mill, extruder, detreading, buffing, gouging, pulling sleeves or patches, repairing, building up and/or retreading and/or recapping used tyres including aeroplane tyres, relugging earthmover, grader or tractor tyres by hand, moulding or curing of retreaded, rebuilt, recapped or relugged tyres in unit heater and autoclaves

vehicle manufacturing employee means an employee classified appropriate to the employee's skills, the duties required by the employer to be performed and the skill level definitions detailed at Schedule B

vocational fields are the five vocational fields recognised within the classification structure of this award, namely, trade, technical, engineering/manufacturing, supervisor/trainer/coordinator, and professional. The fields are defined as the:

- (a) **trade field** which includes employees who possess as a minimum qualification a trade certificate in any of the engineering streams or a Certificate IV in Engineering including Higher Engineering Trades or Special Class Trades.
- (b) **technical field** which includes:
 - (i) production planning, including scheduling, work study, and estimating materials, handling systems and like work; or
 - (ii) technical work including inspection, quality control, supplier evaluation, laboratory, non-destructive testing, technical purchasing, and design and development work (prototypes, models, specifications) in both product and process areas and like work; or
 - (iii) design and draughting and like work
- (c) **engineering/manufacturing field** which includes employees primarily engaged in production work including production, distribution, stores and warehousing, which does not require a qualification in the trade, technical, professional or supervisory fields
- (d) **supervisor/trainer/coordinator field** which includes employees who are or who are mainly:
 - (i) responsible for the work of other employees and/or the provision of on-the-job training including coordination and/or technical guidance; or
 - (ii) responsible for the supervision and/or training of other supervisors or trainers; or
 - (iii) responsible primarily for the exercise of technical skills up to the level of their skill and competence and who are additionally involved in the supervision/training of other employees
- (e) **professional field** includes employees who possess an academic qualification which enables the employee to become a graduate member of the Institute of

Engineers, Australia or an academic qualification in science set out in the Academic Schedule appearing in the *Professional Employees Award 2014*

wood machinist—1st class means a machinist who in the course of employment is called upon to grind and set knives only to braze, set and sharpen jig saws and to set and sharpen circular saws or to set up machines operated by other machinists or to grind knives or set and operate one or more of the following machines: shaper, spindle, linderman machine, router, tenoner, sill hing and other gainer machines

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Schedule J—Agreement to Take Annual Leave in Advance

Schedule I—Agreement to Take Annual Leave in Advance inserted in accordance with [PR583028](#)

Name of employee: _____

Name of employer: _____

The employer and employee agree that the employee will take a period of paid annual leave before the employee has accrued an entitlement to the leave:

The amount of leave to be taken in advance is: ____ hours/days

The leave in advance will commence on: ____/____/20____

Signature of employee: _____

Date signed: ____/____/20____

Name of employer representative: _____

Signature of employer representative: _____

Date signed: ____/____/20____

[If the employee is under 18 years of age - include:]

I agree that:

if, on termination of the employee's employment, the employee has not accrued an entitlement to all of a period of paid annual leave already taken under this agreement, then the employer may deduct from any money due to the employee on termination an amount equal to the amount that was paid to the employee in respect of any part of the period of annual leave taken in advance to which an entitlement has not been accrued.

Name of parent/guardian: _____

Signature of parent/guardian: _____

Date signed: ____/____/20____

Schedule K—Agreement to Cash Out Annual Leave

Schedule J—Agreement to Cash Out Annual Leave inserted in accordance with [PR583028](#)

Name of employee: _____

Name of employer: _____

The employer and employee agree to the employee cashing out a particular amount of the employee’s accrued paid annual leave:

The amount of leave to be cashed out is: ____ hours/days

The payment to be made to the employee for the leave is: \$_____ subject to deduction of income tax/after deduction of income tax (strike out where not applicable)

The payment will be made to the employee on: ____/____/20____

Signature of employee: _____

Date signed: ____/____/20____

Name of employer representative: _____

Signature of employer representative: _____

Date signed: ____/____/20____

Include if the employee is under 18 years of age:

Name of parent/guardian: _____

Signature of parent/guardian: _____

Date signed: ____/____/20____

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Schedule L—Agreement for time off instead of payment for overtime

Schedule K— Agreement for time off instead of payment for overtime inserted in accordance with [PR584117](#)

Name of employee: _____

Name of employer: _____

The employer and employee agree that the employee may take time off instead of being paid for the following amount of overtime that has been worked by the employee:

Date and time overtime started: ___/___/20___ ___ am/pm

Date and time overtime ended: ___/___/20___ ___ am/pm

Amount of overtime worked: _____ hours and _____ minutes

The employer and employee further agree that, if requested by the employee at any time, the employer must pay the employee for overtime covered by this agreement but not taken as time off. Payment must be made at the overtime rate applying to the overtime when worked and must be made in the next pay period following the request.

Signature of employee: _____

Date signed: ___/___/20___

Name of employer representative: _____

Signature of employer representative: _____

Date signed: ___/___/20___