

Professional Diving Industry (Recreational) Award 2010

NOTE: Transitional provisions may apply to certain clauses – see clause 2 and Schedule A

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Part 1—Application and Operation

1. Title

This award is the *Professional Diving Industry (Recreational) Award 2010*.

2. Commencement and transitional

2.1 This award commences on 1 January 2010.

2.2 The monetary obligations imposed on employers by this award may be absorbed into overaward payments. Nothing in this award requires an employer to maintain or increase any overaward payment.

2.3 This award contains transitional arrangements which specify when particular parts of the award come into effect. Some of the transitional arrangements are in clauses in the main part of the award. There are also transitional arrangements in Schedule A. The arrangements in Schedule A deal with:

- minimum wages and piecework rates
- casual or part-time loadings
- Saturday, Sunday, public holiday, evening or other penalties
- shift allowances/penalties.

2.4 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, Fair Work Australia may make any order it considers appropriate to remedy the situation.

2.5 Fair Work Australia may review the transitional arrangements in this award and make a determination varying the award.

2.6 Fair Work Australia may review the transitional arrangements:

- (a) on its own initiative; or
- (b) on application by an employer, employee, organisation or outworker entity covered by the modern award; or
- (c) on application by an organisation that is entitled to represent the industrial interests of one or more employers or employees that are covered by the modern award; or
- (d) in relation to outworker arrangements, on application by an organisation that is entitled to represent the industrial interests of one or more outworkers to whom the arrangements relate.

3. Definitions and interpretation

3.1 In this award, unless the contrary intention appears:

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

agreement-based transitional instrument has the meaning in the *Fair Work (Transitional Provisions and Consequential Amendments) Act 2009* (Cth)

award-based transitional instrument has the meaning in the *Fair Work (Transitional Provisions and Consequential Amendments) Act 2009* (Cth)

employee means a national system employee as defined in sections [13](#) and [30C](#) of the Act

employer means a national system employer as defined in sections [14](#) and [30D](#) of the Act

enterprise award-based instrument has the meaning in the *Fair Work (Transitional Provisions and Consequential Amendments) Act 2009* (Cth)

NES means the National Employment Standards as contained in [sections 59 to 131](#) of the *Fair Work Act 2009* (Cth)

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

standard rate means the minimum weekly wage for a dive master in clause 14.1

transitional minimum wage instrument has the meaning in the *Fair Work (Transitional Provisions and Consequential Amendments) Act 2009* (Cth)

working time for an instructor means instruction time plus pre-dive and post-dive briefings of a maximum 30 minutes duration each

3.2 Where this award refers to a condition of employment provided for in the NES, the NES definition applies.

4. Coverage

4.1 This industry award covers employers throughout Australia engaged in the provision of underwater services for the purposes of recreational diving and related shipboard services and their employees in the classifications in clause 14—Minimum wages to the exclusion of any other modern award.

4.2 In this clause Australia includes all such areas as fall within the territorial jurisdiction of the Commonwealth or of a State.

4.3 The award does not cover employers and employees covered by the classifications listed in the *Professional Diving Industry (Industrial) Award 2010*.

4.4 The award does not cover an employee excluded from award coverage by the Act.

4.5 The award does not cover employees who are covered by a modern enterprise award, or an enterprise instrument (within the meaning of the *Fair Work (Transitional*

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Provisions and Consequential Amendments) Act 2009 (Cth)), or employers in relation to those employees.

- 4.6** The award does not cover 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.
- 4.7** This award covers any employer which supplies labour on an on-hire basis in the industry set out in clause 4.1 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. This subclause operates subject to the exclusions from coverage in this award.
- 4.8** Where an employer is covered by more than one award, an employee of that employer is covered by the award classification which is most appropriate to the work performed by the employee and to the environment in which the employee normally performs the work.

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

5. Access to the award and the National Employment Standards

The employer must ensure that copies of this award and the NES are available to all employees to whom they apply either on a noticeboard which is conveniently located at or near the workplace or through electronic means, whichever makes them more accessible.

6. The National Employment Standards and this award

The [NES](#) and this award contain the minimum conditions of employment for employees covered by this award.

7. Award flexibility

- 7.1** 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.

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- 7.2** The employer and the individual employee must have genuinely made the agreement without coercion or duress.
- 7.3** 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 7.1; and
 - (b) result in the employee being better off overall than the employee would have been if no individual flexibility agreement had been agreed to.
- 7.4** 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.
- 7.5** The employer must give the individual employee a copy of the agreement and keep the agreement as a time and wages record.
- 7.6** Except as provided in clause 7.4(a) the agreement must not require the approval or consent of a person other than the employer and the individual employee.
- 7.7** 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.
- 7.8** The agreement may be terminated:
- (a) by the employer or the individual employee giving four 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.
- 7.9** 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.

Part 2—Consultation and Dispute Resolution

8. Consultation regarding major workplace change

8.1 Employer to notify

- (a) 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.
- (b) **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.

8.2 Employer to discuss change

- (a) The employer must discuss with the employees affected and their representatives, if any, the introduction of the changes referred to in clause 8.1, 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.
- (b) 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 8.1.
- (c) 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.

9. Dispute resolution

- 9.1 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.

- 9.2** 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 9.1 have been taken, a party to the dispute may refer the dispute to Fair Work Australia.
- 9.3** The parties may agree on the process to be utilised by Fair Work Australia including mediation, conciliation and consent arbitration.
- 9.4** Where the matter in dispute remains unresolved, Fair Work Australia may exercise any method of dispute resolution permitted by the Act that it considers appropriate to ensure the settlement of the dispute.
- 9.5** An employer or employee may appoint another person, organisation or association to accompany and/or represent them for the purposes of this clause.
- 9.6** 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.

Part 3—Types of Employment and Termination of Employment

10. Types of employment

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

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

10.2 Full-time employees

- (a) All employees except casual employees must be employed by the week.
- (b) A full-time employee is an employee who is engaged to work an average of 38 ordinary hours per week.
- (c) Where employment is of less than four weeks' duration, employees will be paid casual rates.

10.3 Part-time employees

- (a) A part-time employee is an employee who:
 - (i) is engaged to work an average of fewer than 38 ordinary hours per week; and
 - (ii) receives pro rata pay and conditions according to their classification in this award.

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- (b) For each ordinary hour worked, a part-time employee will be paid no less than 1/38th of the minimum weekly rate of pay for the relevant classification in clause 14—Minimum wages.
- (c) An employer must inform a part-time employee prior to the commencement of employment of the ordinary hours of work and starting and finishing times.

10.4 Casual employees

- (a) A casual employee is one engaged and paid as such.
- (b) For each hour worked, a casual employee will be paid no less than 1/38th of the relevant minimum weekly wage in clause 14—Minimum wages, plus a loading of 25%.
- (c) The casual loading is paid instead of annual leave, personal/carer's leave, notice of termination, redundancy benefits and the other entitlements of full-time or part-time employment provided for in this award. The loading constitutes part of the casual employee's all-purpose rate.
- (d) Casual employment is to be terminated by four hours' notice on either side, or by the payment or forfeiture of four hours' wages as the case may be.
- (e) A casual employee engaged in shop work which includes classroom instruction is entitled to a minimum payment of two hours at the casual rate of pay.
- (f) Where field work takes place within a period of 24 hours, a casual employee is entitled to a minimum payment of four hours at the casual rate of pay.

10.5 Boat trips

(a) Full-time and part-time employees

- (i) A **day trip** means a trip that takes place within a period of 24 hours, i.e. the employee leaves and returns within a period of 24 hours.
- (ii) A **long trip** means a trip that exceeds a period of 24 hours.
- (iii) When a full-time employee is on a day trip, the employee is entitled to a minimum payment of six hours' ordinary time pay. When a part-time employee is on a day trip, the employee is entitled to a minimum payment of three hours' ordinary time pay.
- (iv) When a full-time or part-time employee is on a long trip, the employee is entitled to a minimum payment of six hours' ordinary time pay for each 24 hour period of the trip.

(b) Casual employees

- (i) When a casual employee is on a day trip that is in excess of six hours, the employee is entitled to a minimum payment of six hours at the casual rate of pay.
- (ii) When a casual employee is on a day trip of less than six hours, the employee is to be paid the actual hours worked.

11. Termination of employment

11.1 Notice of termination is provided for in the NES.

11.2 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 withhold from any 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 this clause less any period of notice actually given by the employee.

11.3 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.

12. Redundancy

12.1 Redundancy pay is provided for in the NES.

12.2 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 the employee would have been entitled to if the employment had been terminated and the employer may, at the employer's option, make payment instead of an amount equal to the difference between the former ordinary time rate of pay and the ordinary time rate of pay for the number of weeks of notice still owing.

12.3 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.

12.4 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 11.3.

12.5 Transitional provisions

- (a) Subject to clause 12.5(b), an employee whose employment is terminated by an employer is entitled to redundancy pay in accordance with the terms of a notional agreement preserving a State award:
- (i) that would have applied to the employee immediately prior to 1 January 2010, if the employee had at that time been in their current circumstances of employment and no agreement-based transitional instrument or enterprise agreement had applied to the employee; and
 - (ii) that would have entitled the employee to redundancy pay in excess of the employee's entitlement to redundancy pay, if any, under the NES.
- (b) The employee's entitlement to redundancy pay under the notional agreement preserving a State award is limited to the amount of redundancy pay which exceeds the employee's entitlement to redundancy pay, if any, under the NES.
- (c) This clause does not operate to diminish an employee's entitlement to redundancy pay under any other instrument.
- (d) Clause 12.5 ceases to operate on 31 December 2014.

Part 4—Minimum Wages and Related Matters

13. Classifications

- 13.1 Employees may be required to carry out the duties of deckhands, cooks or skippers, in addition to instructing and supervising diving operations, shopwork, interviewing prospective clients and other undefined duties.
- 13.2 **Dive instructor** means an employee trained to train other divers in accordance with AS 4005.2, .3, .4: 2000 and in keeping with the provisions of the operational standard AS/NZS 2299.3:2003.
- 13.3 **Dive master** means an employee trained to the level required of AS 4005.2, .3, .4: 2000 and in keeping with the provisions of the operational standard AS/NZS 2299.3:2003.

14. Minimum wages

- 14.1 A full-time employee must be paid an annual rate as set out below:

Level	Minimum annual wage	Minimum weekly wage
	\$	\$
Dive master	30 932.40	593.20
Dive instructor	33 000.00	632.90

14.2 National Training Wage

See Schedule B

15. Allowances

15.1 Accommodation and meals offshore

The employee will be reimbursed for all meals and accommodation purchased whilst onboard a vessel travelling offshore for a journey of one or more nights. This provision will not apply where meals and accommodation are provided by the employer.

15.2 Distant work onshore

(a) Definition

- (i) For the purpose of this clause **distant work** means that the distances or the travelling facilities to and from places of work make it reasonably necessary that employees live and sleep at a place other than their usual place of residence at the time of commencing work.
- (ii) If employees whilst employed on distant work change their usual place of residence, such new place of residence or any further change of residence (if made whilst employed on distant work) will be regarded as the employee's usual place of residence for determination of whether the work is distant work within the meaning of this clause.

(b) Travel to and from distant work

- (i) Employees engaged on distant work (as defined in clause 15.2(a)(i)) and who are required to travel, with equipment, to and from work will be reimbursed for the cost of such travel unless the employer provides the means of travel.
- (ii) Where an employee is recalled and required to return on more than one occasion to the place of work, the employer will reimburse the employee the cost of obtaining conveyance on each occasion, provided that where the employer provides such conveyance, the obligation with respect to payment or reimbursement will have been fulfilled.
- (iii) The employer will not reimburse the employee for the cost of travel and travelling time of an employee who:
 - leaves the employment of their own volition before the completion of the job or before being three months in such employment, whichever happens first;
 - is discharged for unsatisfactory performance within one week of engagement; or
 - is discharged for misconduct.

(c) Rate of pay for travel to and from distant work

- (i) The rate of pay for time occupied in travelling to and from distant work will be ordinary rates, except on Sundays and public holidays when it will be paid for at 150% of the ordinary minimum rate.
- (ii) Employees will also be paid an amount of \$5.60 to cover the expenses, if any, of reaching home and of transporting their personal diving equipment.
- (iii) 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.

(d) Accommodation and meals

- (i) The employee will be reimbursed for all meals and accommodation purchased whilst on distant work. The provision will not apply where meals and accommodation are provided by the employer or where the provisions of clauses 15.2(d)(ii) and (iii) apply.
- (ii) Employees, by agreement with the employer, may be paid a minimum of \$281.00 per week in return for the employees being responsible for securing their own accommodation and meals.
- (iii) In the case of parts of the week occurring at the beginning or ending of employment on a distant job, the allowance is \$40.20 per day or one seventh of any other weekly amount agreed on.

15.3 Vehicle allowance

Employees who consent to use their own vehicle in the course of their employment for the transportation of themselves and their personal diving equipment will be paid an allowance of \$0.74 per kilometre.

15.4 Language allowance

A language allowance of 6% of the standard rate per week is payable for instructing in a language other than English, where required by the employer.

15.5 Loss of personal effects allowance

An employee will be reimbursed up to \$2000.00 for the loss of personal effects normally required while offshore, which are lost due to fire, explosion, collision, foundering or collapse of a fixed platform, vessel or work barge. Provided that no payment will be made where the employee's loss is made good by any insurance policy or other claim on the employer or any third party.

15.6 Adjustment of expense related allowances

- (a) At the time of any adjustment to the standard rate, each expense related allowance will 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.

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- (b) 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
Vehicle/travel allowance	Private motoring sub-group
Loss of personal effects	All groups
Distant work	Transportation group
Accommodation and meals	All groups

16. Accident pay

16.1 Subject to clause 16.2, an employee is entitled to accident pay in accordance with the terms of:

- (a) a notional agreement preserving a State award that would have applied to the employee immediately prior to 1 January 2010 or an award made under the *Workplace Relations Act 1996* (Cth) that would have applied to the employee immediately prior to 27 March 2006, if the employee had at that time been in their current circumstances of employment and no agreement-based transitional instrument or enterprise agreement had applied to the employee; and
- (b) that would have entitled the employee to accident pay in excess of the employee's entitlement to accident pay, if any, under any other instrument.

16.2 The employee's entitlement to accident pay under the notional agreement preserving a State award or award is limited to the amount of accident pay which exceeds the employee's entitlement to accident pay, if any, under any other instrument.

16.3 This clause does not operate to diminish an employee's entitlement to accident pay under any other instrument.

16.4 This clause ceases to operate on 31 December 2014.

17. Higher duties

17.1 Where employees perform the duties of a higher paid classification for a day or part thereof they will be paid at the higher rate for that day.

17.2 For the purposes of this clause a **higher paid classification** means a classification with salary and allowances at a higher paid classification than the employee's current classification.

18. Payment of wages

18.1 Wages will be paid weekly or fortnightly unless otherwise agreed between the employer and the employee.

18.2 Wages will be paid by cash, bank cheque or electronic funds transfer (EFT) into the employee's bank or nominated financial institution account.

- 18.3** Employees who are kept waiting for their wages on pay day for more than 15 minutes after the usual time for ceasing work must be paid overtime rates after that 15 minutes.
- 18.4** On termination of employment, wages due to employees must be paid to them on the day of such termination or forwarded to them by post on the next working day.

19. Superannuation

19.1 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.

19.2 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.

19.3 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 19.2.
- (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 19.3(a) or (b) no later than 28 days after the end of the month in which the deduction authorised under clauses 19.3(a) or (b) was made.

19.4 Superannuation fund

Unless, to comply with superannuation legislation, the employer is required to make the superannuation contributions provided for in clause 19.2 to another superannuation fund that is chosen by the employee, the employer must make the superannuation contributions provided for in clause 19.2 and pay the amount

authorised under clauses 19.3(a) or (b) to one of the following superannuation funds or its successor:

- (a) Maritime Super;
- (b) AMP Superannuation Savings Trust; or
- (c) 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.

Part 5—Hours of Work and Related Matters

20. Ordinary hours of work and rostering

- 20.1** This clause supplements Division 3 of the NES which deals with maximum weekly hours.
- 20.2** The ordinary hours of work are an average of 38 hours per week but not exceeding 152 hours over a period of 28 days.
- 20.3** The ordinary hours of work may be worked on any day of the week to a maximum of 12 hours on any one day.

21. Breaks

- 21.1** An employee is entitled to an unpaid meal break at a time fixed by agreement between the employer and the majority of employees concerned, provided that no employee works more than five hours without a meal break
- 21.2** An employee is entitled to a 10 minute paid rest break during the morning or the afternoon without loss of pay at a time agreed between the employer and the employee.

22. Overtime and penalty rates

- 22.1** All time worked on any one day in excess of 12 hours will be paid as overtime.
- 22.2** Overtime will be paid for at the rate of 150% of the ordinary hourly minimum rate of pay for the first two hours and 200% of the ordinary hourly minimum rate of pay thereafter.
- 22.3** Employees including casual employees who are called back to work after the usual finishing time will be paid for a minimum of four hours' work at overtime rates.

Part 6—Leave and Public Holidays

23. Annual leave

23.1 Annual leave is provided for in the NES.

23.2 In addition to the payment required to be made under the NES, the employee will be paid an annual leave loading of 17.5% of the ordinary rate of pay for the period of annual leave.

24. Personal/carer's leave and compassionate leave

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

25. Community service leave

Community service leave is provided for in the NES.

26. Public holidays

Public holidays are provided for in the NES.

Schedule A—Transitional Provisions

A.1 General

A.1.1 The provisions of this schedule deal with minimum obligations only.

A.1.2 The provisions of this schedule are to be applied:

- (a) when there is a difference, in money or percentage terms, between a provision in a relevant transitional minimum wage instrument (including the transitional default casual loading) or award-based transitional instrument on the one hand and an equivalent provision in this award on the other;
- (b) when a loading or penalty in a relevant transitional minimum wage instrument or award-based transitional instrument has no equivalent provision in this award;
- (c) when a loading or penalty in this award has no equivalent provision in a relevant transitional minimum wage instrument or award-based transitional instrument; or
- (d) when there is a loading or penalty in this award but there is no relevant transitional minimum wage instrument or award-based transitional instrument.

A.2 Minimum wages – existing minimum wage lower

A.2.1 The following transitional arrangements apply to an employer which, immediately prior to 1 January 2010:

- (a) was obliged,
- (b) but for the operation of an agreement-based transitional instrument or an enterprise agreement would have been obliged, or
- (c) if it had been an employer in the industry or of the occupations covered by this award would have been obliged

by a transitional minimum wage instrument and/or an award-based transitional instrument to pay a minimum wage lower than that in this award for any classification of employee.

A.2.2 In this clause minimum wage includes:

- (a) a minimum wage for a junior employee, an employee to whom training arrangements apply and an employee with a disability;
- (b) a piecework rate; and
- (c) any applicable industry allowance.

A.2.3 Prior to the first full pay period on or after 1 July 2010 the employer must pay no less than the minimum wage in the relevant transitional minimum wage instrument and/or award-based transitional instrument for the classification concerned.

A.2.4 The difference between the minimum wage for the classification in this award and the minimum wage in clause A.2.3 is referred to as the transitional amount.

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A.2.5 From the following dates the employer must pay no less than the minimum wage for the classification in this award minus the specified proportion of the transitional amount:

First full pay period on or after

1 July 2010	80%
1 July 2011	60%
1 July 2012	40%
1 July 2013	20%

A.2.6 The employer must apply any increase in minimum wages in this award resulting from an annual wage review.

A.2.7 These provisions cease to operate from the beginning of the first full pay period on or after 1 July 2014.

A.3 Minimum wages – existing minimum wage higher

A.3.1 The following transitional arrangements apply to an employer which, immediately prior to 1 January 2010:

- (a) was obliged,
- (b) but for the operation of an agreement-based transitional instrument or an enterprise agreement would have been obliged, or
- (c) if it had been an employer in the industry or of the occupations covered by this award would have been obliged

by a transitional minimum wage instrument and/or an award-based transitional instrument to pay a minimum wage higher than that in this award for any classification of employee.

A.3.2 In this clause minimum wage includes:

- (a) a minimum wage for a junior employee, an employee to whom training arrangements apply and an employee with a disability;
- (b) a piecework rate; and
- (c) any applicable industry allowance.

A.3.3 Prior to the first full pay period on or after 1 July 2010 the employer must pay no less than the minimum wage in the relevant transitional minimum wage instrument and/or award-based transitional instrument for the classification concerned.

A.3.4 The difference between the minimum wage for the classification in this award and the minimum wage in clause A.3.3 is referred to as the transitional amount.

A.3.5 From the following dates the employer must pay no less than the minimum wage for the classification in this award plus the specified proportion of the transitional amount:

First full pay period on or after

1 July 2010	80%
1 July 2011	60%
1 July 2012	40%
1 July 2013	20%

A.3.6 The employer must apply any increase in minimum wages in this award resulting from an annual wage review. If the transitional amount is equal to or less than any increase in minimum wages resulting from the 2010 annual wage review the transitional amount is to be set off against the increase and the other provisions of this clause will not apply.

A.3.7 These provisions cease to operate from the beginning of the first full pay period on or after 1 July 2014.

A.4 Loadings and penalty rates

For the purposes of this schedule loading or penalty means a:

- casual or part-time loading;
- Saturday, Sunday, public holiday, evening or other penalty;
- shift allowance/penalty.

A.5 Loadings and penalty rates – existing loading or penalty rate lower

A.5.1 The following transitional arrangements apply to an employer which, immediately prior to 1 January 2010:

- (a) was obliged,
- (b) but for the operation of an agreement-based transitional instrument or an enterprise agreement would have been obliged, or
- (c) if it had been an employer in the industry or of the occupations covered by this award would have been obliged

by the terms of a transitional minimum wage instrument or an award-based transitional instrument to pay a particular loading or penalty at a lower rate than the equivalent loading or penalty in this award for any classification of employee.

A.5.2 Prior to the first full pay period on or after 1 July 2010 the employer must pay no less than the loading or penalty in the relevant transitional minimum wage instrument or award-based transitional instrument for the classification concerned.

A.5.3 The difference between the loading or penalty in this award and the rate in clause A.5.2 is referred to as the transitional percentage.

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A.5.4 From the following dates the employer must pay no less than the loading or penalty in this award minus the specified proportion of the transitional percentage:

First full pay period on or after

1 July 2010	80%
1 July 2011	60%
1 July 2012	40%
1 July 2013	20%

A.5.5 These provisions cease to operate from the beginning of the first full pay period on or after 1 July 2014.

A.6 Loadings and penalty rates – existing loading or penalty rate higher

A.6.1 The following transitional arrangements apply to an employer which, immediately prior to 1 January 2010:

- (a) was obliged,
- (b) but for the operation of an agreement-based transitional instrument or an enterprise agreement would have been obliged, or
- (c) if it had been an employer in the industry or of the occupations covered by this award would have been obliged

by the terms of a transitional minimum wage instrument or an award-based transitional instrument to pay a particular loading or penalty at a higher rate than the equivalent loading or penalty in this award, or to pay a particular loading or penalty and there is no equivalent loading or penalty in this award, for any classification of employee.

A.6.2 Prior to the first full pay period on or after 1 July 2010 the employer must pay no less than the loading or penalty in the relevant transitional minimum wage instrument or award-based transitional instrument.

A.6.3 The difference between the loading or penalty in this award and the rate in clause A.6.2 is referred to as the transitional percentage. Where there is no equivalent loading or penalty in this award, the transitional percentage is the rate in A.6.2.

A.6.4 From the following dates the employer must pay no less than the loading or penalty in this award plus the specified proportion of the transitional percentage:

First full pay period on or after

1 July 2010	80%
1 July 2011	60%
1 July 2012	40%
1 July 2013	20%

A.6.5 These provisions cease to operate from the beginning of the first full pay period on or after 1 July 2014.

A.7 Loadings and penalty rates – no existing loading or penalty rate

A.7.1 The following transitional arrangements apply to an employer not covered by clause A.5 or A.6 in relation to a particular loading or penalty in this award.

A.7.2 Prior to the first full pay period on or after 1 July 2010 the employer need not pay the loading or penalty in this award.

A.7.3 From the following dates the employer must pay no less than the following percentage of the loading or penalty in this award:

First full pay period on or after

1 July 2010	20%
1 July 2011	40%
1 July 2012	60%
1 July 2013	80%

A.7.4 These provisions cease to operate from the beginning of the first full pay period on or after 1 July 2014.

Schedule B—National Training Wage

B.1 Title

This is the *National Training Wage Schedule*.

B.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

B.3 Coverage

B.3.1 Subject to clauses B.3.2 to B.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 Appendix B1 to this schedule or by clause B.3.4 of this schedule.

B.3.2 This schedule only applies to AQF Certificate Level IV traineeships for which a relevant AQF Certificate Level III traineeship is listed in Appendix B1 to this schedule.

B.3.3 This schedule does not apply to the apprenticeship system or to 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.

B.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.

B.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.

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

B.4 Types of Traineeship

The following types of traineeship are available under this schedule:

B.4.1 a full-time traineeship based on 38 ordinary hours per week, with 20% of ordinary hours being approved training; and

B.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.

B.5 Minimum Wages

B.5.1 Minimum wages for full-time traineeships

(a) Wage Level A

Subject to clause B.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 Appendix B1 are:

	Highest year of schooling completed		
	Year 10 per week \$	Year 11 per week \$	Year 12 per week \$
School leaver	245.00	270.00	323.00
Plus 1 year out of school	270.00	323.00	375.00
Plus 2 years out of school	323.00	375.00	437.00
Plus 3 years out of school	375.00	437.00	500.00
Plus 4 years out of school	437.00	500.00	
Plus 5 or more years out of school	500.00		

(b) Wage Level B

Subject to clause B.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 Appendix B1 are:

	Highest year of schooling completed		
	Year 10 per week \$	Year 11 per week \$	Year 12 per week \$
School leaver	245.00	270.00	313.00
Plus 1 year out of school	270.00	313.00	360.00
Plus 2 years out of school	313.00	360.00	423.00
Plus 3 years out of school	360.00	423.00	482.00
Plus 4 years out of school	423.00	482.00	
Plus 5 or more years out of school	482.00		

(c) Wage Level C

Subject to clause B.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 Appendix B1 are:

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	Highest year of schooling completed		
	Year 10	Year 11	Year 12
	per week	per week	per week
	\$	\$	\$
School leaver	245.00	270.00	312.00
Plus 1 year out of school	270.00	312.00	351.00
Plus 2 years out of school	312.00	351.00	392.00
Plus 3 years out of school	351.00	392.00	437.00
Plus 4 years out of school	392.00	437.00	
Plus 5 or more years out of school	437.00		

(d) AQF Certificate Level IV traineeships

- (i) Subject to clause B.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 B.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	519.00	539.00
Wage Level B	500.00	519.00
Wage Level C	454.00	471.00

B.5.2 Minimum wages for part-time traineeships

(a) Wage Level A

Subject to clauses B.5.2(f) and B.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 Appendix B1 are:

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	Highest year of schooling completed		
	Year 10	Year 11	Year 12
	per hour	per hour	per hour
	\$	\$	\$
School leaver	8.06	8.88	10.63
Plus 1 year out of school	8.88	10.63	12.34
Plus 2 years out of school	10.63	12.34	14.38
Plus 3 years out of school	12.34	14.38	16.45
Plus 4 years out of school	14.38	16.45	
Plus 5 or more years out of school	16.45		

(b) Wage Level B

Subject to clauses B.5.2(f) and B.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 Appendix B1 are:

	Highest year of schooling completed		
	Year 10	Year 11	Year 12
	per hour	per hour	per hour
	\$	\$	\$
School leaver	8.06	8.88	10.30
Plus 1 year out of school	8.88	10.30	11.84
Plus 2 years out of school	10.30	11.84	13.91
Plus 3 years out of school	11.84	13.91	15.86
Plus 4 years out of school	13.91	15.86	
Plus 5 or more years out of school	15.86		

(c) Wage Level C

Subject to clauses B.5.2(f) and B.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 Appendix B1 are:

	Highest year of schooling completed		
	Year 10	Year 11	Year 12
	per hour	per hour	per hour
	\$	\$	\$
School leaver	8.06	8.88	10.26
Plus 1 year out of school	8.88	10.26	11.55
Plus 2 years out of school	10.26	11.55	12.89
Plus 3 years out of school	11.55	12.89	14.38

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	Highest year of schooling completed		
	Year 10	Year 11	Year 12
	per hour	per hour	per hour
	\$	\$	\$
Plus 4 years out of school	12.89	14.38	
Plus 5 or more years out of school	14.38		

(d) School-based traineeships

Subject to clauses B.5.2(f) and B.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 Appendix B1 are as follows when the trainee works ordinary hours:

Year of schooling	
Year 11 or lower	Year 12
per hour	per hour
\$	\$
8.06	8.88

(e) AQF Certificate Level IV traineeships

(i) Subject to clauses B.5.2(f) and B.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 B.5.2(f) and B.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	17.07	17.73
Wage Level B	16.45	17.07
Wage Level C	14.93	15.49

(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 B.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.

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- (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 B.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 B.5.2(a)–(e) of this schedule minus 20% applies to each ordinary hour worked by the trainee.

B.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.

B.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 Appendix B1 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.

B.6 Employment conditions

- B.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.
- B.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.
- B.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.
- B.6.4** Subject to clause B.3.5 of this schedule, all other terms and conditions of this award apply to a trainee unless specifically varied by this schedule.

Appendix B1: Allocation of Traineeships to Wage Levels

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

B1.1 Wage Level A

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
Electricity Supply Industry—Generation Sector	II III (in Western Australia only)
Electricity Supply Industry—Transmission, Distribution and Rail Sector	II
Electrotechnology	I II III (in Western Australia only)
Financial Services	I II III
Floristry	III
Food Processing Industry	III

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Training package	AQF certificate level
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	III
Water Industry (Utilities)	III

B1.2 Wage Level B

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

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Training package	AQF certificate level
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
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

B1.3 Wage Level B

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