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**TASMANIAN INDUSTRIAL COMMISSION**

Industrial Relations Act 1984

s23 application for an award or variation of an award

**Tasmanian Trades and Labor Council**

(T6941 of 1997)

All public and private sector awards

**Automotive, Food, Metals, Engineering,  
Printing & Kindred Industries Union**

(T6928 of 1997)

Automotive Industries Award

(T6929 of 1997)

Draughting & Technical Officers (Private Industry) Award

(T6930 of 1997)

Fish, Aquaculture and Marine Products Award

(T6931 of 1997)

Metal & Engineering Industry Award

(T6932 of 1997)

Optical Industries Award

(T6933 of 1997)

Shipbuilders Award

(T6934 of 1997)

Surveyors (Private Industry) Award

**The Australian Workers' Union, Tasmania Branch**

(T6947 of 1997)

Automotive Industries Award

Bootmakers Award

Building Trades Award

Building and Construction Industry Award

Butter and Cheesemakers Award

Carriers Award

Clay and Mud Products Award

Concrete Products Award

Dairy Processing Award

Farming and Fruitgrowing Award

Fish, Aquaculture and Marine Products Award

Horticulturists Award

Marine Boards Award

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Meat Processing Industry Award  
Metal and Engineering Industry Award  
Monumental Masons Award  
Optical Industries Award  
Pasminco Rosebery (Mining) Award  
Plant Nurseries Award  
Produce Award  
Public Vehicles Award  
Quarrymens Award  
Roadmakers Award  
Rubber Trades Award  
Shearing Industry Award  
Shellfish Industry Award  
Timber Merchants Award  
Wireworking Award  
National Training Wage (Tasmanian Private Sector) Award

**Transport Workers' Union of Australia, Tasmanian Branch**  
(T6956 of 1997)  
Transport Workers General Award

**National Union of Workers, Tasmanian Branch**  
(T6971 of 1997)  
Automotive Industries Award  
Fuel Merchants Award  
Produce Award  
Retail Trades Award  
Rubber Trades Award  
Softgoods Award  
Wholesale Trades Award  
Fibreglass and Plastics Award  
Timber Merchants Award  
Wholesale Pharmaceutical Award

**Australasian Meat Industry Employees Union,  
Tasmanian Branch**  
(T6979 of 1997)  
Meat Processing Industry Award  
Meat Retailing Award

**Textile, Clothing and Footwear Union of Australia,  
Tasmanian Branch**  
(T6987 of 1997)  
Bootmakers Award  
Clothing Industry Award  
Textile Award

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**Australian Municipal, Administrative, Clerical and Services Union**

(T6991 of 1997)

Aerated Waters Award  
Barristers and Solicitors Award  
Broadcasting and Television Award  
Clerical and Administrative Employees (Private Sector) Award  
Community Services Award  
Entertainment Award  
Estate Agents Award  
Furnishing Trades Award  
Independent Schools (Non-Teaching Staff) Award  
Insurance Award  
Photographic Industry Award  
Printers Award  
Public Accountants Award  
Restaurant Keepers Award  
Shipping Award  
Totalizator Agency Award

**Health Services Union of Australia, Tasmania No. 1 Branch**

(T6993 of 1997)

Dentists Award  
Disability Service Providers Award  
Medical Practitioners (Private Sector) Award  
Medical Diagnostic Services Award  
Nursing Homes Award  
Hospitals Award

**DISABILITY SERVICE PROVIDERS AWARD**

FULL BENCH:

PRESIDENT F D WESTWOOD

DEPUTY PRESIDENT B R JOHNSON

COMMISSIONER R J WATLING

Wage Rates - State Wage Case July 1997 - application to flow on Australian Industrial Relations Commission Safety Net Review decision April 1997 (Print P1997) agreed tripartite position - Wage Fixing Principles varied - \$10.00 per week arbitrated safety net adjustment approved- all private sector awards to be varied on application no earlier than ffpp on or after 14 July 1997 - State Minimum Wage to be subject to separate application

**ORDER -**

**No. 3 of 1997**

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AMEND THE **DISABILITY SERVICE PROVIDERS AWARD** IN THE FOLLOWING MANNER:

**Delete Clause 8 - Wage Rates and insert in lieu thereof the following:**

**"8. WAGE RATES**

The classification structure listed here shall be read in conjunction with Clause 7 - Definitions of this award.

**ADMINISTRATIVE AND CLERICAL EMPLOYEES**

	Base Rate \$	Safety Net Adjustment \$	Weekly Wage Rate \$
(a) Adults			
Adult Entry			
1st 6 months service	333.80	34.00	367.80
2nd 6 months service	354.60	34.00	388.60
Grade 1			
1A 1st 12 months service	363.00	34.00	397.00
1B After 12 months service	375.50	34.00	409.50
Grade 2			
2A 1st 12 months service	383.80	34.00	417.80
2B After 12 months service	396.30	34.00	430.30
Grade 3			
3A 1st 12 months service	404.70	34.00	438.70
3B After 12 months service	417.20	34.00	451.20
Grade 4	438.10	34.00	472.10
Grade 5	458.90	34.00	492.90
Grade 6	479.80	34.00	513.80
Grade 7	500.60	34.00	534.60
(b) Juniors			
(i)	The minimum weekly wage rate that may be paid to juniors performing duties consistent with the definition of a "Clerical Assistant" shall be the undermentioned percentages of the Grade 1, 1st 12 months service weekly wage rate, adjusted to the nearest 10 cents:		

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	%	Weekly Wage Rate \$
Under 17 years of age	50	198.50
17 to 18 years of age	55	218.40
18 to 19 years of age	65	258.10
19 to 20 years of age	80	317.60
20 to 21 years of age	85	337.50

- (ii) The minimum weekly wage rates that may be paid to all other juniors shall be the undermentioned percentages of the Grade 2, 1st 12 months service weekly wage rate, adjusted to the nearest 10 cents:

	%	Weekly Wage Rate \$
Under 17 years of age	50	208.90
17 to 18 years of age	55	229.80
18 to 19 years of age	65	271.60
19 to 20 years of age	80	334.20
20 to 21 years of age	85	355.10

(c) Advice of Grading and Settlement of Disputes

All current and future employees shall be notified in writing by the employer of their grading within one month of this award coming into operation or the date of engagement as the case may be.

In the event of a dispute regarding grading, the matter shall be discussed by the employer involved or the employee's representative and the Australian Municipal, Administrative, Clerical and Services Union or the Health Services Union of Australia, Tasmania No. 1 Branch in an attempt to resolve the matter, and if then still in dispute, shall be referred to the Tasmanian Industrial Commission for determination.

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### DISABILITY SERVICE WORKERS

(a) Adults

Adult employees classified hereunder shall be paid the weekly wage rates assigned opposite that classification:

	Relativity Base Rate %	Base Rate \$	Safety Net Adjustment \$	Weekly Wage Rate \$
Disability Service Workers - Level 1	78	325.40	34.00	359.40
Disability Service Worker - Level 2				
Base Level	82	342.10	34.00	376.10
1st Increment	85	354.60	34.00	388.60
2nd Increment	87.4	364.60	34.00	398.60
Disability Service Worker - Level 3				
Base Level	92	383.80	34.00	417.80
1st Increment	95	396.30	34.00	430.30
2nd Increment	98	408.90	34.00	442.90
Disability Service Worker - Level 4				
Base Level	100	417.20	34.00	451.20
1st Increment	105	438.10	34.00	472.10
2nd Increment	110	458.90	34.00	492.90
Disability Service Worker - Level 5				
Base Level	115	479.80	34.00	513.80
1st Increment	125	521.50	34.00	555.50
2nd Increment	130	542.40	34.00	576.40

(b) Juniors

The minimum rate of wages that may be paid to junior employees shall be the undermentioned percentages of the appropriate level adult rate.

**PROVIDED** that an employee will not be paid a junior rate when he/she is classified in accordance with the classification definitions above Level 3.

	%
16 years of age and under	45
17 years of age	55
18 years of age	74
19 years of age	85
20 years of age	96

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## **SUPPORTED WAGE SYSTEM**

### (a) Eligibility Criteria

Subject to this subclause an employer may engage employees at a supported wage rate (as set out in paragraph (c) of this subclause) who meet the impairment criteria for receipt of a Disability Support Pension and who, because of their disability, are unable to perform the range of duties to the competence level normally required for the class of work for which they are engaged.

**PROVIDED** that this subclause 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 current employment.

**PROVIDED ALWAYS** that this subclause does not apply to employers in respect of their facility, programme, undertaking, service or the like which receives funding under the Disability Services Act 1986 and fulfils the dual role of service provider and sheltered employer to people with disabilities who are in receipt of or are eligible for a disability support pension, except with respect to an organisation which has received recognition under Section 10 or under Section 12A of the above Act, or if a part only has received recognition, that part.

### (b) For the purposes of this subclause:

**'Supported Wage System'** means the Commonwealth Government System to promote employment for people who cannot work at full award wages because of a disability.

**'Accredited 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.

**'Disability Support Pension'** means the pension available under the Commonwealth pension scheme to provide income security for persons with a disability as provided under the Social Security Act 1991, as amended from time to time, or any successor to that scheme.

**'Assessment instrument'** means the form 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.

### (c) Supported Wage Rates

Employees to whom this subclause applies shall be paid the applicable percentage of the minimum rate of pay prescribed by this award for the class of work which the person is performing according to the following schedule:

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Assessed Capacity (paragraph (d))	% of Prescribed Award Rate
10%	10%
20%	20%
30%	30%
40%	40%
50%	50%
60%	60%
70%	70%
80%	80%
90%	90%

**PROVIDED** that the minimum amount payable shall be not less than \$45 per week.

(d) Assessment of Capacity

For the purpose of establishing the percentage of the award rate to be paid to a supported wage employee under this award, the productive capacity of the employee will be assessed in accordance with the Supported Wage System and documented in an assessment instrument by either:

- (i) the employer and a union party to the award, in consultation with the employee or, if desired by any of these;
- (ii) the employer and an accredited Assessor from a panel agreed by the parties to the award and the employee.

(e) Lodgment of Assessment Instrument

- (i) All assessment instruments under the conditions of this subclause, including the appropriate percentage of the award wage to be paid to the employee, shall be lodged by the employer with the Registrar of the Tasmanian Industrial Commission.
- (ii) All assessment instruments shall be agreed and signed by the parties to the assessment, provided that where a union which is party to the award, is not a party to the assessment, it shall be referred by the Registrar of the Tasmanian Industrial Commission to the union by certified mail and shall take effect unless an objection is notified to the Registrar of the Tasmanian Industrial Commission within 10 working days.

(f) Review of Assessment

The assessment of the applicable percentage shall be subject to annual review or earlier on the basis of a reasonable request for such a review. The process of review shall be in accordance with the procedures for assessing capacity under the Supported Wage System.

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(g) Other Terms and Conditions of Employment

Where an assessment has been made, the applicable percentage shall apply to the wage rate only. Employees covered by the supported wage provisions of this subclause shall be entitled to the same terms and conditions of employment as all other workers covered by this award who are paid on a pro rata basis.

(h) Workplace Adjustment

An employer wishing to employ a person under the provisions of this subclause shall 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.

(i) Trial Period

- (i) 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 subclause for a trial period not exceeding 12 weeks, except that in some cases additional work adjustment time (not exceeding four weeks) may be needed.
- (ii) During that trial period the assessment of capacity shall be undertaken and the proposed wage rate for a continuing employment relationship shall be determined in accordance with paragraphs (d) and (e).
- (iii) The minimum amount payable to the employee during the trial period shall be no less than \$45 per week or such greater amount as is agreed from time to time between the parties.
- (iv) Work trials should include induction or training as appropriate to the job being trialed.
- (v) Where the employer and employee wish to establish a continuing employment relationship following the completion of the trial period, a further contract of employment shall be entered into based on the outcome of assessment under paragraph (c) hereof."

**OPERATIVE DATE**

These variations shall come into operation from the first full pay period to commence on or after 14 July 1997.

R J Watling  
**COMMISSIONER**

15 July 1997