

**RATES OF INTEREST ON LOCAL LOANS
NOTICE**

The Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury hereby give notice that in pursuance of the powers conferred on Them by the Public Works Loans Act, 1897 (60 and 61 Vict. c. 51), the Public Works Loans Act, 1935 (26 Geo. 5 & 1 Edw. 8 c. 5) and the Local Authorities Loans Act, 1945 (8 & 9 Geo. 6 c. 18), They have directed by Their Minute of the 11th August, 1955 that on Loans advanced to Local Authorities from the Local Loans Fund, on and after the 13th August, 1955, there shall be chargeable in lieu of the rates fixed by the Treasury Minute of the 8th July, 1955, the following rates of interest:—

	Per cent.
Loans for not more than five years	4½
Loans for more than five years but not more than fifteen years	4½
Loans for more than fifteen years	4½

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Treasury Chambers, 12th July, 1955.

TENDERS FOR TREASURY BILLS.

1. The Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury hereby give notice that Tenders will be received at the Chief Cashier's Office, at the Bank of England, on Friday, the 19th August 1955, at 1 p.m. for Treasury Bills to be issued under the Treasury Bills Act, 1877, the National Debt Act, 1889, and the National Loans Act, 1939, to the amount of £270,000,000.

2. The Bills will be in amounts of £5,000, £10,000, £25,000, £50,000 or £100,000. They will be dated at the option of the tenderer on any business day from Monday, the 22nd August 1955, to Saturday, the 27th August 1955, inclusive, and will be due 91 days after date.

3. The Bills will be issued and paid at the Bank of England.

4. Each Tender must be for an amount not less than £50,000, and must specify the date on which the Bills required are to be dated, and the net amount per cent. (being an even multiple of one penny) which will be given for the amount applied for. Separate Tenders must be lodged for Bills of different dates.

5. Tenders must be made through a London Banker, Discount House or Broker.

6. Notification will be sent by post on the same day as Tenders are received, to the persons whose Tenders are accepted in whole or in part, and payment in full of the amounts due in respect of such accepted Tenders must be made to the Bank of England by means of cash or a Banker's Draft on the Bank of England not later than 1.30 p.m. (Saturday, 11.30 a.m.) on the day on which the relative Bills are to be dated.

7. Members of the House of Commons are not precluded from tendering for these Bills.

8. Tenders must be made on the printed forms which may be obtained from the Chief Cashier's Office, Bank of England.

9. The Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury reserve the right of rejecting any Tenders.

Treasury Chambers.

12th August 1955.

WAGES COUNCILS ACTS 1945 to 1948

**RUBBER PROOFED GARMENT MAKING INDUSTRY
COMMISSION OF INQUIRY.**

Notice by the Commission of Inquiry appointed by the Minister of Labour and National Service to inquire into and report on a joint application made under Section 2 (1) of the Wages Councils Act, 1945 by the British Rainwear Manufacturers' Federation and the Waterproof Garment Workers' Trade Union for the establishment of a Wages Council for certain workers and their employers.

The Minister of Labour and National Service (herein-

after referred to as "the Minister"), having appointed the Rubber Proofed Garment Making Industry Commission of Inquiry in accordance with the Second Schedule to the Wages Councils Act, 1945, (hereinafter referred to as "the Act") has referred to it a joint application made to him by the British Rainwear Manufacturers' Federation and the Waterproof Garment Workers' Trade Union, under Section 2 of the Act, for the establishment of a Wages Council in respect of the workers specified in the Schedule to this Notice and their employers, on the ground that the existing machinery for the settlement of the remuneration and conditions of employment for the said workers is likely to cease to be adequate for that purpose.

Under Section 4 of the Act, it is the duty of the Commission to inquire into and report to the Minister on the said application, to consider, not only the subject matter of the reference but also any other question or matter which, in its opinion, is relevant thereto, and in particular to consider whether there are any other workers (being workers who, in its opinion, are engaged in work which is complementary, subsidiary, or closely allied to the work performed by the workers specified in the Schedule hereto, or any of them) whose position should be dealt with together with that of the workers, or some of the workers, specified in the Schedule hereto.

In considering whether any machinery is, or is likely to remain, adequate for regulating the remuneration and conditions of employment of any workers, the Commission is required by Section 4 of the Act to consider not only what matters are capable of being dealt with by that machinery, but also to what extent those matters are covered by agreements or awards arrived at or given thereunder, and to what extent the practice is, or is likely to be, in accordance with those agreements or awards.

Accordingly the Commission hereby give notice, pursuant to Section 9 of the Act, that it will consider representations with respect to the foregoing matters made to it in writing at the offices of the Commission at Ebury Bridge House, Ebury Bridge Road, London, S.W.1, on or before the 30th day of September 1955.

W. R. B. ROBINSON.

Secretary to the Commission

SCHEDULE

Workers employed in the manufacture of

- (1) garments from textiles processed with rubber, rubber substitute, or plastic, and headgear from such textiles when manufactured in association with or in conjunction with the manufacture of such garments;
- (2) garments from any material in which the processes of smearing, sticking, or cementing with a solution of rubber or rubber substitute either by hand or machine, are involved;

including workers employed

- (a) on the altering, repairing, renovating or re-making of the garments or headgear mentioned above;
- (b) on warehousing, packing or other operations incidental or appertaining to the manufacture of such garments or headgear;

but excluding workers

- (i) engaged in the manufacture of garments or headgear from chemically proofed or oil proofed fabrics or from plastic film;
- (ii) in relation to whom any wages council constituted under the Wages Councils Act, 1945 operates.

Civil Service Commission, 12th August, 1955.

THE Civil Service Commissioners hereby give notice that the following Regulations are published with the approval of the Lords Commissioners of H.M. Treasury, viz. :—

REGULATIONS FOR THE RECRUITMENT OF ASSISTANT PREVENTIVE OFFICERS IN THE WATERGUARD SERVICE OF THE CUSTOMS AND EXCISE DEPARTMENT.

1. No Candidate may compete more than twice under these Regulations for the post of Assistant Preventive Officer.

2. Age.

Candidates must be at least 19 and under 21 years of age on 1st September, 1955. But—

- (a) a candidate who has served or is serving in H.M. Forces may deduct from his actual age the period of such service rendered before 1st September, 1955.