

following employment is defined as overtime employment, that is to say:—

(a) All employment in summer in excess of 54 hours in any week (excluding Sunday).

(b) All employment in winter in excess of 48 hours in any week (excluding Sunday).

(c) All employment on a Sunday.

7. For the purpose of the above rates employment in summer shall be deemed to be employment during the period commencing on the first Monday in March and terminating on the last Sunday in October; and employment in winter shall be deemed to be employment during the rest of the year.

8. The above rates shall apply to all male workmen who are wholly or partly employed in agriculture within the meaning of Section 17 (1) of the Corn Production Act, 1917, in the above-mentioned area during such time as they are so employed.

9. For the purpose of the above rates the hours of work shall not include mealtimes, but shall include any time during which by reason of weather conditions an employer has prevented from working a workman who was present at the place of employment and ready to work.

10. The above rates shall come into operation on the second day of September, 1918.

Dated this twenty-seventh day of August, 1918.

Signed by Order of the Wages Board.

R. E. Stanley,
Assistant Secretary.

Agricultural Wages Board
(England and Wales),
80, Pall Mall,
London, S.W. 1.

Applications for Permit of Exemption under the proviso to Section 5 (3) of the Act may be made by employer or worker, and should be addressed to the Secretary, the Surrey District Wages Committee, Room 75, Palmerston House, Old Broad Street, London, E.C. 2, from whom forms of application for Permits can be obtained.

Complaints under Section 6 of the Act should also be addressed to the Secretary, the Surrey District Wages Committee, as above.

Complaints under Section 7 of the Act should be addressed to the Secretary, the Agricultural Wages Board (England and Wales), 80, Pall Mall, London, S.W. 1.

CORN PRODUCTION ACT, 1917.

AGRICULTURAL WAGES BOARD (ENGLAND AND WALES).

MINIMUM RATES OF WAGES FIXED FOR MALE WORKMEN IN SHROPSHIRE TO COME INTO FORCE ON THE 2ND SEPTEMBER, 1918.

The Agricultural Wages Board (England and Wales), duly established and constituted under Section 5 (1) of the above Act and the Regulations made by the Board of Agriculture and Fisheries dated the 8th November, 1917, having given the Notice prescribed by the said Act and having considered all the objections duly lodged with them, and having had regard to the provisions of sub-sections (6) and (7) of the said Section, hereby give notice, as required by sub-section (4) of the said Section and by paragraph 4 of the Agricultural Wages Regu-

lations, 1918, that they have fixed the following minimum rates of wages and the following differential rates for overtime employment, as hereinafter defined, for male workmen employed in agriculture for time-work in the area comprising the administrative county of Salop, and have defined for the purpose of the application of such differential rates for overtime the employment which is to be treated as overtime employment as follows, that is to say:—

1. The wages payable for employment in summer (as hereinafter defined) of male workmen in agriculture shall be not less than wages at the following minimum rates, that is to say:—

For male workmen of 21 years of age and over, 33s. for 57 hours.

For male workmen of 18 and under 21 years of age, 31s. for 57 hours.

For male workmen of 17 and under 18 years of age, 26s. for 57 hours.

For male workmen of 16 and under 17 years of age, 22s. for 57 hours.

For male workmen of 15 and under 16 years of age, 18s. for 57 hours.

For male workmen of 14 and under 15 years of age, 14s. for 57 hours.

For male workmen under 14 years of age, 10s. for 57 hours.

2. The wages payable for employment in winter (as hereinafter defined) of male workmen in agriculture shall be not less than wages at the following minimum rates, that is to say:—

For male workmen of 21 years of age and over, 33s. for 54 hours.

For male workmen of 18 and under 21 years of age, 31s. for 54 hours.

For male workmen of 17 and under 18 years of age, 26s. for 54 hours.

For male workmen of 16 and under 17 years of age, 22s. for 54 hours.

For male workmen of 15 and under 16 years of age, 18s. for 54 hours.

For male workmen of 14 and under 15 years of age, 14s. for 54 hours.

For male workmen under 14 years of age, 10s. for 54 hours.

3. Provided that where a whole-time workman is employed by the week or any longer period the wages payable to him for the hours of work agreed between him and the employer in any week (excluding hours of overtime employment) shall not be less than the respective amounts set out in Clauses 1 and 2 above, notwithstanding that those hours are less than 57 in summer or 54 in winter.

4. The differential rates for overtime employment shall be as follows:—

A. In respect of overtime employment on week-days:—

For male workmen of 21 years of age and over, 9d. per hour.

For male workmen of 18 and under 21 years of age, 9d. per hour.

For male workmen of 17 and under 18 years of age, 7d. per hour.

For male workmen of 16 and under 17 years of age, 6d. per hour.

For male workmen of 15 and under 16 years of age, 4½d. per hour.

For male workmen of 14 and under 15 years of age, 3½d. per hour.

For male workmen under 14 years of age, 2½d. per hour.