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Changes agreed to by parties appear in red text. Red text indicates new text that is to be included. Strikethrough text in red indicates existing text that is be deleted.

# **EXPOSURE DRAFT**

# **Horticulture Award 2016**

This exposure draft has been prepared by staff of the Fair Work Commission based on the *Horticulture Award 2010* (the Horticulture award) as at 15 January 2016. This exposure draft does not seek to amend any entitlements under the Horticulture 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 <u>AM2014/231</u>. 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 <u>not</u> represent the concluded view of the Commission in this matter.

No examples have been included in this exposure draft. Parties are asked to submit <u>examples</u> that clarify the operation of particular provisions.

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# Part 1—Application and Operation

#### 1. Title and commencement

- **1.1** This award is the *Horticulture 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 G—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 <u>National Employment Standards</u> (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 the 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.
- 2.3 The employer must ensure that copies of the award and the NES are available to all employees to whom they apply. This may be achieved by making them available electronically, on a noticeboard which is conveniently located at or near the workplace, or through some other reasonable accessible means.

# 3. Coverage

3.1 This industry award covers employers throughout Australia in the horticulture industry and their employees in the classifications listed in Schedule A—Classification Definitions, to the exclusion of any other modern award.

#### **3.2 Horticulture industry** means:

(a) agricultural holdings, flower or vegetable market gardens in connection with the sowing, planting, raising, cultivating, harvesting, picking, packing, storing,

- grading, forwarding or treating of horticultural crops, including fruit and vegetables upon farms, orchards and/or plantations; or
- (b) clearing, fencing, trenching, draining or otherwise preparing or treating land for the sowing, raising, harvesting or treating of horticultural crops, including fruit and vegetables.

#### 3.3 Horticulture industry does not mean:

- (a) the wine industry;
- **(b)** silviculture and afforestation;
- (c) sugar farming or sugar cane growing, sugar milling, sugar refining, sugar distilleries and/or sugar terminals;
- (d) any work in or in connection with cotton growing or harvesting; cotton ginneries and associated depots; cotton oil mills and the extraction of oil from seed;
- (e) plant nurseries; or
- (f) a broadacre mixed farming enterprise as defined in the *Pastoral Award 2016*.

#### **3.4** This award does not cover:

- (a) employees excluded from award coverage by the 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.
- This award covers any employer which supplies labour on an on-hire basis in the horticulture industry set out in clauses 3.1 and 3.2 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.
- This award covers employers which provide group training services for trainees engaged in the <a href="https://example.com/horticulture">horticulture</a> industry and/or parts of industry set out at clauses 3.1 and 3.2 and those trainees engaged by a group training service hosted by a company to perform work at a location where the activities described herein are being performed. This subclause operates subject to the exclusions from coverage in this award.
- 3.7 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.

# 4. Award flexibility

- 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 <u>s.144(4)</u>, 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

- A facilitative provision provides that the standard approach in an award provision may be departed from by agreement between an employer and an individual employee, or an employer and the majority of employees in the enterprise or part of the enterprise concerned.
- **5.2** Facilitative provisions in this award are contained in the following clauses:

Clause	Provision	Agreement between an employer and:
8.1(a)(ii)	Ordinary hours of work—span of hours	The majority of employees
8.1(a)(iii)	Ordinary hours of work—number per day	The majority of employees
9.1(b)	Meal breaks	An individual
9.2(b)	Rest breaks	An individual

Clause	Provision	Agreement between an employer and:
10.2(a)	Minimum wages — pieceworkers	An individual
15.3(c)	Payment of overtime — work on a Saturday	The majority of employees
16.3	Annual leave — conversion to hourly entitlement	The majority of employees
16.7	Annual leave — paid leave in advance	An individual
20.2	Substitution of certain public holidays by agreement	An individual or the majority of employees

# Part 2—Types of Employment and Classifications

# 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 At the time of engagement an employer will inform each employee of the terms of their engagement and in particular whether they are to be full-time, part-time or casual.

### **6.3** Full-time employees

A full-time employee is an employee who is engaged to work an average of 38 ordinary hours per week.

# 6.4 Part-time employees

Part-time employment provisions may be affected by AM2014/196

- (a) A part-time employee is an employee who:
  - (i) is engaged to work an average of less than 38 ordinary hours per week; and
  - (ii) receives, on a pro rata basis, equivalent pay and conditions to those of full-time employees who do the same kind of work.
- **(b)** For each ordinary hour worked, a part-time employee will be paid no less than the ordinary hourly rate for the relevant classification in clause 10—Minimum wages.

- (c) An employer must inform a part-time employee of their ordinary hours of work and starting and finishing times.
- (d) All time worked in excess of the hours mutually arranged will be overtime and paid for at the appropriate overtime rate in accordance with clause 15—Overtime.

# 6.5 Casual employees

Casual employment provisions may be affected by AM2014/197

- (a) A casual employee is an employee who is engaged and paid as a casual employee.
- (b) A casual employee's ordinary hours of work are the lesser of an average of 38 hours per week or the hours the employer requires the employee to work.

### (c) Casual loading

- (i) For each ordinary hour worked, a casual employee must be paid:
  - the ordinary hourly rate; and
  - a loading of 25% of the ordinary hourly rate,

for the classification in which they are employed.

(ii) The casual loading is paid instead of annual leave, paid personal/carer's leave, notice of termination, redundancy benefits and other entitlements of full-time or part-time employment under this award.

#### 7. Classifications

Employees will be classified in accordance with the classification descriptions contained in Schedule A—Classification Definitions.

# Part 3—Hours of Work

# 8. Ordinary hours of work and rostering (day workers)

#### 8.1 Ordinary hours and roster cycles

- (a) The ordinary hours of work for all full-time and part-time employees other than shiftworkers will not exceed 152 hours over a four week period provided that:
  - (i) The ordinary hours will be worked:
    - between Monday and Friday inclusive; or
    - between Monday and Saturday inclusive by arrangement between the employer and the majority of employees in the section/s concerned.

- (ii) The ordinary hours will be worked between 6.00 am and 6.00 pm except if varied by arrangement between the employer and the majority of the employees in the section/s concerned.
- (iii) The ordinary hours will not exceed eight hours per day except by arrangement between the employer and the majority of employees in the section/s concerned in which case ordinary hours should not exceed 12 hours on any day.
- (iv) All time worked by full-time and part-time employees in excess of the ordinary hours will be deemed overtime and paid in accordance with clause 15—Overtime.

### 9. Breaks

#### 9.1 Meal break

- (a) A meal break of between 30 minutes and one hour will be allowed each day, to be taken not later than five hours after starting ordinary hours of work.
- (a) A meal break of not less than 30 minutes and not more than one hour will be allowed each day, to be taken not later than five hours after commencing ordinary hours of work. Provided that where there is agreement between the employer and an individual employee, the meal break may be taken at a time agreed.
- (b) Where there is agreement between the employer and an individual employee, the meal break may be taken at a time agreed.
- (c) All work performed on the instruction of the employer during a recognised meal break will be paid for at 200% of the appropriate ordinary hourly rate. Such payment will continue until the employee is released for a meal break of not less than 30 minutes.

#### 9.2 Rest break

Parties are asked whether employees working afternoon or night shift are entitled to a paid rest break. Clause 9.2(a) below states that the paid rest break is to be taken in the morning.

- (a) Employees will be allowed a paid rest break of 10 minutes each morning.
- (b) Where agreement is reached between the employer and employee for an additional rest break, such rest break will be unpaid and in addition to the employee's ordinary hours of work.

#### 9.3 Ten hour break after ceasing work for the day

- (a) An employee is entitled to a break of 10 hours between finishing work on one day and commencing work on the next day.
- (b) Overtime rates will be paid in accordance with clause 15—Overtime for work required to be performed where an employee has not had the 10 hour break until such time as the employee is released and able to take the 10 hour break.

# Part 4—Wages and Allowances

# 10. Minimum wages

Monetary amounts in this clause adjusted as a result of AWR 2016.

# **10.1** Adult employee minimum wages

(a) The classifications and minimum wages for an adult employee are set out in the following table:

Classification	Minimum weekly wage	Minimum hourly rate
	\$	\$
Level 1	672.70	17.70
Level 2	692.10	18.21
Level 3	712.00	18.74
Level 4	738.90	19.44
Level 5	783.30	20.61

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

(b) For the purposes of clause 10.1(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.

#### 10.2 Pieceworkers

Parties are asked whether an example should be made for this to demonstrate how this clause operates.

Parties are asked to clarify how to calculate the amount a pieceworker should be paid when they take annual leave and personal/carer's leave.

- (a) An employer and a full-time, part-time or casual employee may enter into an agreement for the employee to be paid a piecework rate. An employee on a piecework rate is a **pieceworker**.
- (b) The piecework rate fixed by agreement between the employer and the employee must enable the average competent employee to earn at least 15% more per hour than the minimum hourly rate prescribed in this award for the type of employment and the classification level of the employee. The piecework rate agreed is to be paid for all work performed in accordance with the piecework agreement.

(c) The calculation of piecework rates in clause 10.2(b) for casual employees will include the casual loading prescribed in clause 6.5(c)(i).

The issue of how the casual loading applies to piecework rates raised by the Fair Work Ombudsman (see Correspondence) has been referred for consideration to the Casual Employment Full Bench in AM2014/197.

- (d) An agreed piecework rate is paid instead of the minimum wages specified in clause 10.1.
- (e) The following clauses of this award do not apply to an employee on a piecework rate:
  - (i) Clause 8—Ordinary hours of work and rostering;
  - (ii) Clause 14—Shiftwork
  - (iii) Clause 15—Overtime; and
  - (iv) Clause 11.3(c)—Meal allowances
  - (iv) Clause 15.4 Meal allowance
- (f) The employer and the individual employee must have genuinely made the piecework agreement without coercion or duress.
- (g) The piecework agreement between the employer and the individual employee must be in writing and signed by the employer and the employee.
- (h) The employer must give the individual employee a copy of the piecework agreement and keep it as a time and wages record.
- (i) Nothing in this award guarantees an employee on a piecework rate will earn at least the minimum ordinary time weekly wage or hourly rate in this award for the type of employment and the classification level of the employee, as the employee's earnings are contingent on their productivity.
- (j) For the purposes of the NES:
  - (i) The base rate of pay for a pieceworker is the base rate of pay as defined in the NES.
  - (ii) The full rate of pay for a pieceworker is the full rate of pay as defined in the NES.

### 10.3 Juniors

(a) The minimum wage payable to a junior employee will be the percentage of the adult rate prescribed for the classification upon which the employee is employed as set out in the following table:

Age	Percentage of appropriate adult rate	
	%	
Under 16 years of age	50	
16 years of age	60	
17 years of age	70	
18 years of age	80	
19 years of age	90	
20 years of age	100	

**(b)** The wage payable to a junior will, in the case of a weekly employee, be calculated to the nearest \$0.10, and in the case of an hourly employee, be calculated to the nearest <del>quarter of</del> one cent.

### 10.4 Payment of wages

#### (a) Period of payment

Wages must be paid weekly or fortnightly according to the actual ordinary hours worked each week or fortnight, or according to the applicable piecework payment.

#### (b) Method of payment

Wages must be paid by cash, cheque or electronic funds transfer into the employee's bank or other recognised financial institution account.

#### (c) Payment of wages on termination of employment

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.

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.

#### 10.5 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 an employee is engaged for two hours or less during one day or shift on duties carrying a higher minimum wage than their ordinary classification, they must be paid the higher minimum wage for the time worked at the higher level.

# 10.6 Supported wage system

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

# 10.7 National training wage

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

# 11. Allowances

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

# 11.2 Wage related allowances

Monetary amounts in this clause adjusted as a result of AWR 2016.

#### (a) 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:

- (i) leading hand allowance (clause 11.2(b));
- (ii) wet work allowance (clause 11.2(c)); and
- (iii) first aid allowance (clause 11.2(d)).

#### (b) Leading hand allowance

A leading hand will be paid a leading hand allowance based upon the following:

In charge of:	\$ per week
2 to 6 employees	20.94
7 to 10 employees	24.40
11 to 20 employees	34.78
More than 20 employees	43.70

#### (c) Wet work allowance

- (i) An employee who, on any one day, is required to work in a wet place must be paid \$1.82 for each hour that they are required to work in the wet place, unless provided with adequate protection.
- (ii) A wet place will mean a place where the clothing of the employee becomes saturated or a place where the employee has to stand in water or slush so that the employee's feet become wet.

#### (d) First aid allowance

An employee who has undertaken a first aid course and who is the holder of a current recognised first aid qualification such as a certificate from the St John Ambulance or similar body must be paid an allowance of \$9.29 per week if they are appointed by the employer to perform first aid duty.

#### 11.3 Expense related allowances

Monetary amounts in this clause adjusted as a result of AWR 2016.

#### (a) Travelling allowance

- (i) Where an employee is required to travel from one place to another, the time occupied in travelling will be counted as time worked and paid for as such.
- (ii) Where an employee is compelled by their duties to spend the night away from home or the property at which the employee is employed (whichever is the employee's normal place of sleeping during employment) the employer will reimburse the employee for the demonstrable cost of suitable accommodation, unless the employer provides the employee with suitable accommodation free of charge.
- (iii) The provisions of this clause will not apply where the employer provides the employee with suitable accommodation free of charge.

#### (b) Tool and equipment allowance

- (i) The employer must reimburse the employee for the cost of supplying tools and equipment if the employee is required employer requires the employee to supply their own tools and equipment.
- (ii) The provisions of this clause do not apply where the tools and equipment are paid for by the employer.

#### (c) Meal allowances

- (i) An employee will be entitled to a payment of \$12.05 or will be provided a suitable meal without cost if the employee:
  - is required to work overtime for more than two hours after the employee's ordinary finishing time; and
  - was not notified before leaving work on the previous day that the employee will be required to work overtime.
- (ii) If the work extends into a second or subsequent meal break, this meal allowance will again apply.

See Schedule C for a summary of monetary allowances.

# 12. Accident pay

#### 12.1 Definitions

For the purposes of this clause, the following definitions will apply:

- (a) Accident pay means a weekly payment made to an employee by the employer that is the difference between the weekly amount of compensation paid to an employee pursuant to the applicable workers' compensation legislation and the weekly amount that would have been received had the employee been on paid personal leave at the date of the injury (not including over award payments) provided the latter amount is greater than the former amount.
- **Injury** will be given the same meaning and application as applying under the applicable workers' compensation legislation covering the employer.

### 12.2 Entitlement to accident pay

The employer must pay accident pay where an employee suffers an injury and weekly payments of compensation are paid to the employee under the applicable workers' compensation legislation for a maximum period of 26 weeks.

# 12.3 Calculation of the period

- (a) The 26 week period commences from the date of injury. In the event of more than one absence arising from one injury, such absences are to be cumulative in the assessment of the 26 week period.
- (b) The termination by the employer of the employee's employment within the 26 week period will not affect the employee's entitlement to accident pay.
- (c) For a period of less than one week, accident pay (as defined) will be calculated on a pro rata basis.

### 12.4 When not entitled to payment

An employee will not be entitled to any payment under this clause in respect of any period of paid annual leave or long service leave, or for any paid public holiday.

#### 12.5 Return to work

If an employee entitled to accident pay under this clause returns to work on reduced hours or modified duties, the amount of accident pay due will be reduced by any amounts paid for the performance of such work.

# 12.6 Redemptions

In the event that an employee receives a lump sum payment in lieu of weekly payments under the applicable workers' compensation legislation, the liability of the employer to pay accident pay will cease from the date the employee receives that payment.

### 12.7 Damages independent of the Acts

Where the employee recovers damages from the employer or from a third party in respect of the said injury independently of the applicable workers' compensation legislation, such employee will be liable to repay to the employer the amount of accident pay which the employer has paid under this clause and the employee will not be entitled to any further accident pay thereafter.

#### 12.8 Casual employees

For a casual employee, the weekly payment referred to in clause 12.1(a) will be calculated using the employee's average weekly ordinary hours with the employer over the previous 12 months or, if the employee has been employed for less than 12 months by the employer, the employee's average weekly ordinary hours over the period of employment with the employer. The weekly payment will include casual loading but will not include overaward payments.

# 13. Superannuation

# 13.1 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.

#### 13.2 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.

#### 13.3 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 13.2.
- (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 13.3(a) or (b) no later than 28 days after the end of the month in which the deduction authorised under clauses 13.3(a) or (b) was made.

#### 13.4 Superannuation fund

Unless, to comply with superannuation legislation, the employer is required to make the superannuation contributions provided for in clause 13.2 to another superannuation fund that is chosen by the employee, the employer must make the superannuation contributions provided for in clause 13.2 and pay the amount authorised under clauses 13.3(a) or (b) to one of the following superannuation funds or its successor:

- (a) AustSafe Super;
- **(b)** Prime Super;
- (c) Tasplan;
- (d) Sunsuper;
- (e) CareSuper;
- (f) 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
- (g) a superannuation fund or scheme which the employee is a defined benefit member of.

# Part 5—Penalties and Overtime

#### 14. Shiftwork

- 14.1 The ordinary hours of work for a shiftworker will not exceed 152 hours over a four week period provided that:
  - (a) The ordinary hours will be worked between Monday and Friday inclusive.
  - **(b)** For the purposes of this award:
    - (i) afternoon shift means any shift finishing after 6.00 pm and at or before midnight; and
    - (ii) **night shift** means any shift finishing after midnight and at or before 8 00 am.
  - (c) If an employee is directed to work on shifts the shift must not exceed eight hours without the payment of overtime.

- (d) Shiftworkers whilst on afternoon and night shifts will be paid 115% of the ordinary hourly rate.
- (e) Where shiftwork is adopted, shifts will, as far as practicable, rotate regularly so that:
  - (i) where two shifts are worked, one will be regarded as day shift and the second as the afternoon or night shift; or
  - (ii) where three shifts are worked they will be divided into day, afternoon and night shifts.
- (f) The employer has the right to decide before the commencement of such shiftwork which of the shifts will be the day shift and will notify each employee accordingly.
- (g) The employer will keep a roster at the workplace that specifies the times which each shift will commence and finish and which shifts are deemed to be day shift.
- (h) All time worked in excess of the ordinary hours will be deemed overtime paid in accordance with clause 15—Overtime.

### 15. Overtime

#### 15.1 Definition

All time worked by employees in excess of their ordinary hours will be deemed overtime.

The issue of whether casual employees are entitled to overtime rates has been referred to the Casual Employment Full Bench AM2014/197.

#### 15.2 Time off instead of payment for overtime

This provision may be affected by AM2014/300.

- (a) An employee will be allowed time off duty, with pay for a period equal to the overtime worked.
- **(b)** Such time allowed off duty will be given and taken within the succeeding three weeks unless:
  - (i) the employer and employee mutually agree that it be taken at some other time; or
  - (ii) instead of taking time off duty the employee may elect to be paid for the overtime worked provided that this election is made clear to the employer or the employer's representative at the time that overtime is offered.

#### 15.3 Payment of overtime

(a) The rate of pay for overtime on Monday to Saturday will be 150% of the ordinary hourly rate.

- (b) The rate of pay for overtime worked on a Sunday, except during harvest period, will be 200% of the ordinary hourly rate.
- (c) Should employees be required to work on a Saturday and the majority of such employees elect not to work on the Saturday but rather on the Sunday then such work performed on that Sunday will be paid for at the rate prescribed for Saturday work.
- (d) During harvest period, the first eight hours of overtime in a week may include five hours work on a Sunday at the rate of **150%** of the ordinary hourly rate but all Sunday work in excess of the eighth overtime hour worked in the week, or in excess of five hours on a Sunday, will be paid at the rate of **200%** of the ordinary hourly rate.
- (e) All employees required to work on a Sunday will be paid for a minimum of three hours.

#### 15.4 Meal allowance

An employee required to work overtime for more than two hours after the employee's ordinary ceasing time without having been notified before leaving work on the previous day that the employee will be required to work overtime, will be entitled to a meal allowance under clause 11.3(c).

# Part 6—Leave, Public Holidays and Other NES Entitlements

#### 16. Annual leave

This annual leave provision may be affected by AM2014/47 – see draft determination

- Annual leave is provided for in the NES. Annual leave does not apply to a casual employee.
- **16.2** This clause contains additional and supplementary provisions.

# 16.3 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 (e.g. 152 hours for a full-time employee entitled to four weeks' annual leave).

# 16.4 Payment for period of annual leave

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.

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).

#### 16.5 Annual leave loading

During a period of annual leave an employee must also be paid an annual leave loading equal to 17.5% of the wages prescribed in clause 16.4.

#### 16.6 Excessive 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.

#### 16.7 Paid leave in advance of accrued entitlement

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.

#### 16.8 Proportionate leave on termination

On termination of employment, an employee must be paid for leave accrued that has not been taken at the appropriate wage calculated in accordance with clause 16.4.

# 17. Personal/carer's leave and compassionate leave

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

#### 18. Parental leave and related entitlements

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

# 19. Community service leave

**19.1** Community service leave is provided for in the NES.

# 19.2 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 19.2(a).

# 20. Public holidays

Public holidays provisions may be affected by AM2014/301

**20.1** Public holidays are provided for in the NES.

### 20.2 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.

# 20.3 Public holiday rates

All work performed on public holidays will be paid for at the rate of **200%** of the ordinary hourly rate or 200% of the piecework rate for a pieceworker.

### 20.4 Part-day public holidays

For provisions in relation to part-day public holidays see Schedule F—2016 Part-day Public Holidays

# 21. Termination of employment

**21.1** Notice of termination is provided for in the NES.

#### 21.2 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.

#### 21.3 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.

# 22. Redundancy

**22.1** Redundancy pay is provided for in the NES.

### 22.2 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.

# 22.3 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.

#### 22.4 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 21.3.

# **Part 7—Consultation and Dispute Resolution**

#### 23. Consultation

#### 23.1 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 23.1(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 23.1(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.

#### 23.2 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.

# 24. Dispute resolution

- 24.1 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.
- 24.2 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 24.1 have been taken, a party to the dispute may refer the dispute to the Fair Work Commission.
- 24.3 The parties may agree on the process to be utilised by the Fair Work Commission including mediation, conciliation and consent arbitration.
- 24.4 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.
- 24.5 An employer or employee may appoint another person, organisation or association to accompany and/or represent them for the purposes of this clause.
- 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.

# **Schedule A—Classification Definitions**

#### A.1 Level 1

**A.1.1** Level 1 employee means an employee classified in accordance with the following criteria:

#### A.1.2 General description

An employee at this level:

- undertakes induction training which may include information on the enterprise, conditions of employment, introduction to supervisors and fellow workers, training and career opportunities, plant layout, work and documentation procedures, occupational health and safety, equal employment opportunity and quality control/assurance;
- performs routine duties essentially of a manual nature and to the level of their training;
- exercises minimal judgment;
- works under direct supervision;
- is responsible for the quality of their own work;
- is a new employee; or is an existing employee performing work within this grade who is undertaking training so as to enable advancement to Level 2.

#### A.1.3 Indicative duties

Indicative of the duties an employee may perform at this level are:

- performing general labouring duties;
- fruit or vegetable picking, thinning or pruning;
- operating small towing tractor engaged in transfer of produce bins and other containers during harvest;
- performing a range of housekeeping tasks in premises and grounds;
- sorting, packing or grading of produce where this requires the exercise of only minimal judgment;
- performing basic recording functions related to work performed at this level;
- providing assistance within the scope of this level to other employees as required;
- undertaking structured training so as to enable advancement to Level 2.

# A.2 Level 2 employee

**A.2.1** Level 2 employee means an employee classified in accordance with the following criteria:

#### A.2.2 General description

An employee at this level:

- has completed up to three months structured training so as to enable the performance of work within the scope of this level;
- works under general supervision either individually or in a team environment;
- works with established routines, methods and procedures;
- performs a range of tasks involving the use of skills above and beyond those of Level 1 and to the level of their training;
- exercises limited discretion:
- is responsible for the quality of their own work;
- receives training in occupational health and safety standards and practices relevant to the site:
- performs lower level tasks as required without loss of pay unless re-engaged to perform tasks at predominantly a lower skill level.

#### A.2.3 Indicative duties

Indicative of the duties an employee may perform at this level are:

- performing a range of tasks involving the set up and operation of production and/or packaging or picking equipment, labelling and/or consumer picking equipment;
- repetition work on automatic, semi-automatic or single purpose machines or equipment;
- assembling/dismantling components using basic written, spoken and/or diagrammatic instructions in an assembly environment;
- irrigation, spraying or pruning under general supervision;
- sorting, packing and grading beyond the scope of Level 1 duties;
- maintaining simple records;
- using hand trolleys, pallet trucks or other mechanical or power driven lifting or handling devices not requiring a licence;
- operating tractors with engine capacity of up to 70 kW;
- general and routine product testing;
- providing assistance within the scope of this level to other employees as required;
- assisting in the provision of on-the-job training in conjunction with supervisors, tradespersons or trainers;
- undertaking further training so as to enable advancement to Level 3.

# A.3 Level 3 employee

**A.3.1** Level 3 employee means an employee classified in accordance with the following criteria:

# A.3.2 General description

An employee at this level:

- performs work above and beyond the skills of an employee at Level 2 and to the level of their training;
- works under routine supervision either individually or in a team environment;
- exercises discretion with their level of skills and training;
- is responsible for the quality of their own work;
- receives training in occupational health and safety standards and practices in work areas relevant to the site and appropriate to this award;
- may perform any lower level task as required without loss of pay.

#### A.3.3 Indicative duties

Indicative of the duties an employee may perform at this level are:

- driving motor lorries or mechanical harvesters or forklifts;
- operating tractors with engine capacity of over 70 kW;
- minor maintenance of plant;
- irrigation, spraying, pruning without supervision;
- assisting in the training, instruction and coordination of employees;
- recording detailed information on production and quality indicators;
- providing assistance within the scope of this level to other employees;
- undertaking further training so as to enable advancement to Level 4.

# A.4 Level 4 employee

**A.4.1** Level 4 employee means an employee classified in accordance with the following criteria:

# A.4.2 General description

An employee at this level:

- performs work above and beyond the skills of an employee at Level 3 and to the level of their training;
- coordinates work in a team environment or works individually under general supervision;

- exercises discretion with their level of skills and training;
- is responsible for the quality of their own work;
- has knowledge of the employer's operation as it relates to the production process;
- monitors the application of occupational health and safety standards in work areas relevant to the site and appropriate to this level;
- may perform any lower level task as required without loss of pay.

#### A.4.3 Indicative duties

Indicative of the duties an employee may perform at this level are:

- using precision measuring instruments;
- machine setting, loading and operation;
- inventory and store control;
- licensed operation of all appropriate materials handling equipment;
- basic engineering and fault handling;
- basic non-trades maintenance involving the use of tools and equipment within the scope of this award;
- licensed and certified to operate forklifts, engine driving and crane driving operation;
- furnace/boiler operator;
- performing quality checks on the work of others;
- quality assurance/control;
- assisting in provision of on-the-job training;
- monitoring variables affecting production yields, detecting errors, investigating causes and recommending collective/preventative action;
- providing assistance within the scope of this level to other employees;
- undertaking further training so as to enable advancement to Level 5.

# A.5 Level 5 employee

**A.5.1** Level 5 employee means an employee classified in accordance with the following criteria:

# A.5.2 General description

An employee at this level:

- works above and beyond the skills of an employee at Level 4 and to the level of their training;
- performs work under minimal supervision either individually or in a team environment:
- coordinates and schedules approved work in a team environment;
- exercises good interpersonal communication skills;
- exercises discretion within the scope of this grade;
- possesses and uses a trade qualification in the course of their duties;
- has a sound knowledge of the employer's operation as it relates to the production process;
- undertakes lower level tasks as required without loss of pay.

#### A.5.3 Indicative duties

Indicative of the duties an employee may perform at this level are:

- inspecting products and/or materials for conformity with established operational standards and approves/passes first off samples;
- operating, setting up and adjusting maintenance functions including (but not limited to):
  - removing equipment fastenings including use of destructive cutting equipment;
  - running adjustments to production equipment;
- operating all lifting equipment;
- basic production scheduling and materials handling within the scope of production process or directly related functions;
- exercising high level stores and inventory responsibilities;
- providing on-the-job training;
- providing assistance within the scope of this level to other employees.

# Schedule B—Summary of Hourly Rates of Pay

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

# **B.1** Ordinary hourly rate

- **B.1.1** Ordinary hourly rate is the minimum hourly rate of pay for an employee plus any allowance payable for all purposes to which the employee is entitled. Where an allowance is payable for all purposes in accordance with clause 11.2(a), this forms part of the employee's ordinary hourly rate and must be added to the minimum hourly rate prior to calculating penalties and overtime.
- **B.1.2** The rates in the tables below are based on the **minimum hourly rates** in accordance with clause 10.1(a).

# **B.2** Full-time and part-time adult employees

Monetary amounts in this clause adjusted as a result of AWR 2016.

**B.2.1** Full-time and part-time employees other than shiftworkers—ordinary and penalty rates

	Ordinary hours	Public holidays		
	% of ordinar	% of ordinary hourly rate		
	100%	200%		
	\$	\$		
Level 1	17.70	35.40		
Level 2	18.21	36.42		
Level 3	18.74	37.48		
Level 4	19.44	38.88		
Level 5	20.61	41.22		

B.2.2 Full-time and part-time shiftworkers—ordinary and penalty rates

	Ordinary hours	Afternoon shift	Night shift	Public holidays		
		% of ordinary hourly rate				
	100%	100% 115% 115% 200%				
	\$	\$	\$	\$		
Level 1	17.70	20.36	20.36	35.40		
Level 2	18.21	20.94	20.94	36.42		
Level 3	18.74	21.55	21.55	37.48		
Level 4	19.44	22.36	22.36	38.88		
Level 5	20.61	23.70	23.70	41.22		

**B.2.3** Full-time and part-time employees—overtime rates

	Monday to	Sunday outside	Sunday during harvest season		Public	
	Saturday	of harvest season	First 5 hours within the first 8 hours of overtime	Overtime in excess of 8 hours in the week or 5 hours on Sunday	holidays	
		% of ordinary	y hourly rate			
	150%	200%	150%	200%	200%	
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	
Level 1	26.55	35.40	26.55	35.40	35.40	
Level 2	27.32	36.42	27.32	36.42	36.42	
Level 3	28.11	37.48	28.11	37.48	37.48	
Level 4	29.16	38.88	29.16	38.88	38.88	
Level 5	30.92	41.22	30.92	41.22	41.22	

# **B.3** Casual adult employees

Monetary amounts in this clause adjusted as a result of AWR 2016.

**B.3.1** Casual employees—ordinary and penalty rates

	Ordinary hours	Public holidays		
	% of ordinar	% of ordinary hourly rate		
	125%	225%		
	\$	\$		
Level 1	22.13	39.83		
Level 2	22.76	40.97		
Level 3	23.43	42.17		
Level 4	24.30	43.74		
Level 5	25.76	46.37		

# **B.4** Junior employees

The **junior hourly rate** is based on a percentage of the appropriate adult weekly rate and rounded to the nearest 10 cents in accordance with clause 10.3, then divided by 38. Adult rates apply from 20 years of age in accordance with clause 10.3.

Monetary amounts in this clause adjusted as a result of AWR 2016.

B.4.1 Full-time and part-time junior employees—ordinary and penalty rates

Age	Junior weekly rate	Junior hourly rate—	Shiftworkers		All employees
		ordinary hours	Afternoon shift	Night shift	Public holidays
		% of junior hourly rate			
		100%	115%	115%	200%
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Level 1					
Under 16 years	336.40	8.85	10.18	10.18	17.70
16 years	403.60	10.62	12.21	12.21	21.24
17 years	470.90	12.39	14.25	14.25	24.78
18 years	538.20	14.16	16.28	16.28	28.32
19 years	605.40	15.93	18.32	18.32	31.86

Age	Junior weekly rate	Junior hourly rate— ordinary hours	Shiftworkers		All employees	
			Afternoon shift	Night shift	Public holidays	
		% of junior hourly rate				
		100%	115%	115%	200%	
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	
Level 2						
Under 16 years	346.10	9.11	10.48	10.48	18.22	
16 years	415.30	10.93	12.57	12.57	21.86	
17 years	484.50	12.75	14.66	14.66	25.50	
18 years	553.70	14.57	16.76	16.76	29.14	
19 years	622.90	16.39	18.85	18.85	32.78	
Level 3						
Under 16 years	356.00	9.37	10.78	10.78	18.74	
16 years	427.20	11.24	12.93	12.93	22.48	
17 years	498.40	13.12	15.09	15.09	26.24	
18 years	569.60	14.99	17.24	17.24	29.98	
19 years	640.80	16.86	19.39	19.39	33.72	
Level 4						
Under 16 years	369.50	9.72	11.18	11.18	19.44	
16 years	443.30	11.67	13.42	13.42	23.34	
17 years	517.20	13.61	15.65	15.65	27.22	
18 years	591.10	15.56	17.89	17.89	31.12	
19 years	665.00	17.50	20.13	20.13	35.00	
Level 5						
Under 16 years	391.70	10.31	11.86	11.86	20.62	
16 years	470.00	12.37	14.23	14.23	24.74	
17 years	548.30	14.43	16.59	16.59	28.86	
18 years	626.60	16.49	18.96	18.96	32.98	
19 years	705.00	18.55	21.33	21.33	37.10	

**B.4.2** Full-time and part-time junior employees—overtime rates

Age	Monday to Saturday	Sunday outside of harvest	Sunday during harvest season		Public holidays
		season	First 5 hours within the first 8 hours of overtime	Overtime in excess of 8 hours in the week or 5 hours on Sunday	
		% of junior hourly rate			
	150%	200%	150%	200%	200%
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Level 1					
Under 16 years	13.28	17.70	13.28	17.70	17.70
16 years	15.93	21.24	15.93	21.24	21.24
17 years	18.59	24.78	18.59	24.78	24.78
18 years	21.24	28.32	21.24	28.32	28.32
19 years	23.90	31.86	23.90	31.86	31.86
Level 2					
Under 16 years	13.67	18.22	13.67	18.22	18.22
16 years	16.40	21.86	16.40	21.86	21.86
17 years	19.13	25.50	19.13	25.50	25.50
18 years	21.86	29.14	21.86	29.14	29.14
19 years	24.59	32.78	24.59	32.78	32.78
Level 3					
Under 16 years	14.06	18.74	14.06	18.74	18.74
16 years	16.86	22.48	16.86	22.48	22.48
17 years	19.68	26.24	19.68	26.24	26.24
18 years	22.49	29.98	22.49	29.98	29.98
19 years	25.29	33.72	25.29	33.72	33.72
Level 4					
Under 16 years	14.58	19.44	14.58	19.44	19.44
16 years	17.51	23.34	17.51	23.34	23.34

Age	Monday to Saturday		Sunday during harvest season		Public holidays
			Overtime in excess of 8 hours in the week or 5 hours on Sunday		
	% of junior hourly rate				
	150%	200%	150%	200%	200%
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
17 years	20.42	27.22	20.42	27.22	27.22
18 years	23.34	31.12	23.34	31.12	31.12
19 years	26.25	35.00	26.25	35.00	35.00
Level 5					
Under 16 years	15.47	20.62	15.47	20.62	20.62
16 years	18.56	24.74	18.56	24.74	24.74
17 years	21.65	28.86	21.65	28.86	28.86
18 years	24.74	32.98	24.74	32.98	32.98
19 years	27.83	37.10	27.83	37.10	37.10

**B.4.3** Casual junior employees—ordinary and penalty rates

Age	Casual hourly rate	Public holidays			
	% of juni	% of junior hourly rate			
	125%	225%			
	\$	\$			
Level 1					
Under 16 years	11.06	19.91			
16 years	13.28	23.90			
17 years	15.49	27.88			
18 years	17.70	31.86			
19 years	19.91	35.84			

Age	Casual hourly rate	Public holidays		
	% of juni	% of junior hourly rate		
	125%	225%		
	\$	\$		
Level 2				
Under 16 years	11.39	20.50		
16 years	13.66	24.59		
17 years	15.94	28.69		
18 years	18.21	32.78		
19 years	20.49	36.88		
Level 3				
Under 16 years	11.71	21.08		
16 years	14.05	25.29		
17 years	16.40	29.52		
18 years	18.74	33.73		
19 years	21.08	37.94		
Level 4				
Under 16 years	12.15	21.87		
16 years	14.59	26.26		
17 years	17.01	30.62		
18 years	19.45	35.01		
19 years	21.88	39.38		
Level 5				
Under 16 years	12.89	23.20		
16 years	15.46	27.83		
17 years	18.04	32.47		
18 years	20.61	37.10		
19 years	23.19	41.74		

## **Schedule C—Summary of Monetary Allowances**

Monetary amounts in this Schedule have been adjusted as a result of AWR 2016.

See clause 11 for full details of allowances payable under this award.

## C.1 Wage related allowances

The wage related allowances in this award are based on the standard rate as defined in Schedule G as the minimum hourly rate for a Level 2 in clause 10.1(a) = \$18.21.

Allowance	Clause	% of standard rate \$18.21	\$ per week unless stated otherwise
Leading hand allowance <sup>1</sup>	11.2(b)		
2 to 6 employees		115.0	20.94
7 to 10 employees		134.0	24.40
11 to 20 employees		191.0	34.78
More than 20 employees		240.0	43.70
Wet work allowance—unless provided with adequate protection <sup>1</sup>	11.2(c)	10.0	1.82 per hour
First aid allowance <sup>1</sup>	11.2(d)	51.0	9.29
<sup>1</sup> These allowances apply for all purposes	of this awar	rd .	

## C.1.1 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.

# **C.2** Expense related allowances

Allowance	Clause	\$
Meal allowance—more than two hours' overtime after ordinary ceasing time without a day's notification	11.3(c)	12.05 per meal

### C.2.1 Adjustment of expense related allowances

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.

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	
Meal allowance	Take away and fast foods sub-group	

## Schedule D—Supported Wage System

Monetary amounts in this Schedule have been adjusted as a result of AWR 2016.

**D.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.

#### **D.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*, 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** 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: <a href="www.jobaccess.gov.au">www.jobaccess.gov.au</a>

**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

## D.3 Eligibility criteria

- **D.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.
- **D.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.

## **D.4** Supported wage rates

**D.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 D.5)	Relevant minimum wage
<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>
10	10
20	20
30	30
40	40
50	50
60	60
70	70
80	80
90	90

- **D.4.2** Provided that the minimum amount payable must be not less than \$82 per week.
- **D.4.3** Where an employee's assessed capacity is 10%, they must receive a high degree of assistance and support.

## D.5 Assessment of capacity

- **D.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.
- **D.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.

# D.6 Lodgement of SWS wage assessment agreement

- **D.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.
- **D.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.

### **D.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.

## **D.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.

# **D.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.

## D.10 Trial period

- **D.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.
- **D.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.
- **D.10.3** The minimum amount payable to the employee during the trial period must be no less than \$82 per week.
- **D.10.4** Work trials should include induction or training as appropriate to the job being trialled.
- **D.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 D.5.

## Schedule E—National Training Wage

#### E.1 Title

This is the *National Training Wage Schedule*.

#### **E.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

## E.3 Coverage

- **E.3.1** Subject to clauses E.3.2 to E.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 E.7 to this schedule or by clause E.5.4 of this schedule.
- **E.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 E.7 to this schedule.
- **E.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.

- **E.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.
- **E.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.
- **E.3.6** At the conclusion of the traineeship, this schedule ceases to apply to the employee.

# **E.4** Types of Traineeship

The following types of traineeship are available under this schedule:

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

# **E.5** Minimum Wages

Monetary amounts in this clause adjusted as a result of AWR 2016.

### **E.5.1** Minimum wages for full-time traineeships

## (a) Wage Level A

Subject to clause E.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 E.7.1 are:

	Highest year of schooling completed		
	Year 10 per week	Year 11	Year 12 per week
		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 E.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 E.7.2 are:

	Highest ye	Highest year of schooling completed		
	Year 10	Year 10 Year 11		
	per week	Per week	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 E.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 E.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 E.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 E.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

## E.5.2 Minimum wages for part-time traineeships

# (a) Wage Level A

Subject to clauses E.5.2(f) and E.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 E.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 E.5.2(f) and E.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 E.7.2 are:

	Highest yea	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 E.5.2(f) and E.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 E.7.3 are:

	Highest yea	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 E.5.2(f) and E.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 E.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 E.5.2(f) and E.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 E.5.2(f) and E.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 E.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 E.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 E.5.2(a)–(e) of this schedule minus 20% applies to each ordinary hour worked by the trainee.

### **E.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.

### E.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 E.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.

# **E.6** Employment conditions

- **E.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.
- **E.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.
- **E.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 E.5.2(f)(ii) and not by this clause.

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

# **E.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:

### E.7.1 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

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 Logistics	III
Water Industry (Utilities)	III

# E.7.2 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
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

Training package	AQF certificate level
Transport and Logistics	П
Visual Arts, Craft and Design	I, II, III
Water Industry	I, II

# E.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 F—2016 Part-day Public Holidays

Schedule F amended in accordance with PR580863

The part-day public holidays schedule may be affected by AM2014/301

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

- **F.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 F.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 F.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.

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

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

### Schedule G—Definitions

In this award, unless the contrary intention appears:

Act means the Fair Work Act 2009 (Cth)

**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 (see clause 11.2(a))

**defined benefit member** has the meaning given by the *Superannuation Guarantee* (Administration) Act 1992 (Cth)

employee means national system employee within the meaning of the Act

**employer** means national system employer within the meaning of the Act

**exempt public sector superannuation scheme** has the meaning given by the *Superannuation Industry (Supervision) Act 1993* (Cth)

harvest period means the period of time during which the employees of the particular employer are engaged principally in the harvesting, grading or packing of horticultural crops

**horticultural crops** includes all vegetables, fruits, grains, seeds, hops, nuts, fungi, olives, flowers, or other specialised crops unless they are specifically named as a **broadacre field crop** in the *Pastoral Award 2016* 

#### horticulture industry means:

- (a) agricultural holdings, flower or vegetable market gardens in connection with the sowing, planting, raising, cultivating, harvesting, picking, packing, storing, grading, forwarding or treating of horticultural crops, including fruit and vegetables upon farms, orchards and/or plantations; or
- (b) clearing, fencing, trenching, draining or otherwise preparing or treating land for the sowing, raising, harvesting or treating of horticultural crops, including fruit and vegetables

**MySuper product** has the meaning given by the *Superannuation Industry* (Supervision) Act 1993 (Cth)

**NES** means the National Employment Standards as contained in <u>sections 59 to 131</u> 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

**ordinary hourly rate** means the hourly rate for the employee's classification specified in clause 10.1(a) and 10.3(a), plus any allowances specified as being included in the employee's ordinary hourly rate or payable for all purposes

**plant nurseries** means the principal business of the employer is the preparation of growing media for the growing of plant material, propagation, preparation and presentation of plant material for sale

**silviculture and afforestation** means the planting, pruning, fertilising and any other activities in or in connection with the establishment or cultivation of trees in forests

**standard rate** means the minimum hourly rate for a Level 2 in clause 10.1. This rate is to be used for the purposes of calculating various allowances that require a designated standard rate

**vineyard** means a place where wine grapes are grown exclusively or predominantly for processing into wine

### wine industry means:

- (a) the preparation of land for planting of wine grape vines; care, growing, treating, picking, harvesting, forwarding of wine grapes; and pruning of wine grape vines and other activities associated with a wine grape vineyard;
- (b) processing wine grapes; producing wine juice or grape spirit; bottling, packaging, storage or dispatch of wine, brandy or other potable spirit, liqueurs, vinegar or grape juice and other activities associated with a winery or wine distillery including but not limited to cellar door sales, coopers, machinists, labourers making or repairing barrels, vats, casks, and like articles and laboratories; and
- (c) the packaging, storage and dispatching of wine or grape spirit from a warehouse facility or other place of storage associated with a winery or wine distillery